



Pineridge Chapter - Spring Edition Newsletter - May 2022

President's Message

Dear Members,

We restarted our social activities with a group luncheon in the Spring and it was most welcomed by our group, but unfortunately, resulted in some members catching a mild case of covid. Perhaps the health guidelines opened up too quickly? Anyways, going forward we will be having luncheons, sports activities, and some one day bus tours and outings for you to consider, but please be mindful of your health and be respectful of any and all current health restrictions.

This will be the last call for anyone of our paid members who has a child or grand child, to check out and apply for our annual scholarship bursary program. For 2022, we have doubled the amount of the scholarships to \$2,000. You must have been a paid member for two years prior to participate. Also open to our paid members who have either home and/or auto insurance from Johnson, or the MEDOC Travel Insurance, is the annual Johnson Insurance Scholarship Program. You DO need to check all the benefits of the Heritage Club!

As more things open up, we will keep you posted of what activities you can join in. We all need the social interaction with friends and relatives, as it is a good way to stay fit and happy. So, stay safe for now, but we look forward to meeting once again.

J.P.

Jean Pierre Leguerrier
President

UPCOMING EVENTS FOR 2022

Heads up Golfers, the Pineridge Chapter Golf Tournament is back! June 24th, 2022

Calling all golfers in the Toronto Chapters: the Pineridge golf tournament will be held at our previous location, Lakeridge Links/Whispering Ridge Golf Course, located at 1355 Brawley Road, Brooklin. Tee time is 9:30 am.

The same low as before: \$70 per member with no cart, \$83 for a senior/member with a cart, \$88 for a non-senior/non-member with a cart. The event will be followed by a BBQ under a private covered gazebo, and will feature a choice of hamburger, chicken on a bun or sausage on a bun, and choice of two salads, pasta, garden or macaroni. Dessert would be extra.

When registering, please advise us if you need a cart, as we need to reserve ASAP.

Contact our events co-ordinator Bernie (416) 439-9505 to register. Cheques should be made out to **Pineridge Heritage Club**, or by e-payment. Please specify what and who you are paying for. All registrations should be completed by June 1st. A minimum of 16 players are required to hold this event.

Trent-Severn Chapter will also be holding their Golf Event in September: info to follow.

Friday, July 15th, 2022, The Mandarin (Pickering location) group luncheon

We have scheduled a group luncheon for noon, at the above location.

Our last March 25th event was well attended with 62 guests, who enjoyed a good buffet, some lucky people won at the 50/50 draw, and a food bank collection was held. The cost remains a low \$15 per members, \$21 for non-members. You must be a paid member of the Pineridge Chapter to benefit from the discounted price and it covers all-you-can-eat buffet, non-alcoholic drink, taxes and tip. Please carry your senior id to claim the "coveted" senior's discount.

Please register early with our events co-ordinator, Bernie (416)-439-9505.

Please note: For all our events, we recommend you call to confirm that the events will occur, as these are still uncertain times.

Helping others: On top of collecting items for the food banks, we are also collecting empty pill bottles, soda can tabs, and bread ties for other Chapters. These can benefit medical supplies overseas and in programs for the purchase of assistive devices.

Bowling anyone? Looking to see if anyone is interested in joining quarterly or semi-annual bowling events of 5 pin bowling? The Ajax Bowling Centre on Harwood Ave. is centrally located to both our Scarborough and Durham membership, there would be laughter, tears, teams and prizes involved, all at an affordable price. So please, let us know if this interests you.



ONE DAY BUS TOURS

As in the past, we have had a long association with Time of Your Life bus tours, and they have continued to provide us with a list of some of their tours they are offering in the Spring. As before, if you identify yourself as a member of the Heritage Club, you can benefit from a 10% discount from us off the tour price. Check out their web site for the current offerings of their one day guided bus tours:
(www.timeofyourlifetoursonline.com)

BLUE JAYS TICKETS

Humber Chapter is looking for some Blue Jays fans to join them this Fall at the Games. The dates are:

Sat. Aug 27 3:07 start against the Los Angeles Angels (Blue Jay Jacket promotion)
 Section 137 Or

Sat. Oct 1 3:07 start against the Boston Red Sox (Blue Jay Vest Promotion)
 Section 137

Ticket prices will be \$37.50 for Paid up members' and 47.50 for unpaid and non-members.

Contact: humberchapter2@hotmail.com 416-333-4173

WOLVERINE SALE

Occasionally, the Wolverine Store at 6225 Millcreek Drive, in Mississauga has a sale that gives discounts to Postal Employees and Heritage Club members. You just need to show a badge or a membership card for the discount. Best to call ahead to confirm that the sale is on, (905) 542-8880, wolverinecanada.com.

THE LOCAL NEWS

WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBERS THIS YEAR, RETIREES AND/OR 25 YRS OF SERVICE MEMBERS

Betty Low, Anne Goodwin

OUR CONDOLENCES TO THEIR FAMILY & FRIENDS

Condolences to Ron and Cheryl Leith, as well as Margaret Fisher on the passing of their family member, "Tony" Ronald Eric Leith.

NEW: CHANGE OF MAILING ADDRESS FOR THE CHAPTER

Our mailing address has changed, effective January 1, 2022: Pineridge Heritage Club, 4081 Thickson Rd. N. PO Box 4023, Whitby ON L1R 2X0.

CONGRATULATIONS

Happy 59th anniversary, Josephine & Bernie Snyder.

Happy 42th anniversary, Debbie & Paul Greenwood.

Ramon Smith, pictured here with his friend Mary Snowden, celebrated his 90th birthday at our March 25th Mandarin luncheon, quite a milestone.



Year Round Travel Presents

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The **Hotel Cheribourg** is located in the very pretty and quaint town of Magog. During our stay, we will enjoy delicious meals, fun events, live evening entertainment, interesting side trips, and much more. Over the years, Chérilbourg Hotel has become renowned for its finest continental-regional cuisine. Their restaurant, "Sommets" invites you to their tables and lets you discover the chef's unique creations, which will undoubtedly stir up your taste buds with the promise of some of the most delectable dishes ever experienced. Warm welcome and fabulous facilities await us at this very "Quebec" resort!

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- * Guided tour of historic Sherbrooke
- * Visit to the charming French village of Magog
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June 12 to 15 or October 3 to 6, 2022

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THE "L I F E I S G O O D" SECTION

RULES TO TEACH YOUR SON

1. Never shake a man's hand sitting down.
2. Don't enter a pool by the stairs.
3. The man at the BBQ Grill is the closest thing to a king.
4. In a negotiation, never make the first offer.
5. Request the late check-out.
6. When entrusted with a secret, keep it.
7. Hold your heroes to a higher standard.
8. Return a borrowed car with a full tank of gas.
9. Play with passion or don't play at all...
10. When shaking hands, grip firmly and look them in the eye.
11. Don't let a wishbone grow where a backbone should be.
12. If you need music on the beach, you're missing the point.
13. Carry two handkerchiefs. The one in your back pocket is for you. The one in your breast pocket is for her.
14. You marry the girl, you marry her family.
15. Be like a duck. Remain calm on the surface and paddle like crazy underneath.
16. Experience the serenity of traveling alone.
17. Never be afraid to ask out the best looking girl in the room.
18. Never turn down a breath mint.
19. A sport coat is worth 1000 words.
20. Try writing your own eulogy. Never stop revising.
21. Thank a veteran. Then make it up to him.
22. Eat lunch with the new kid.
23. After writing an angry email, read it carefully. Then delete it.
24. Ask your mom to play. She won't let you win.
25. Manners maketh the man.
26. Give credit. Take the blame.
27. Stand up to Bullies. Protect those bullied.
28. Write down your dreams.
29. Take time to snuggle your pets, they love you so much and are always happy to see you.
30. Be confident and humble at the same time.
31. If ever in doubt, remember whose son you are and REFUSE to just be ordinary!
32. In all things lead by example not explanation.

The Barber

Man: "Could you cut it very short on one side and not at all on the other, with a sort of crooked fringe at the front and big tufts pulled out at the back?"

Barber: "Oh dear, I don't think I can manage that, sir"

Man: "Why not? You did it last time!"

THE POST HORN

A POSTAL SERVICE STORY

WWII-ERA LETTER DELIVERED TO FAMILY, 76 YEARS AFTER IT WAS SENT

The widow of a US soldier who served during World War II is thanking the United States Postal Service after the organization delivered a long-lost letter from her late husband, some 76 years after it was sent.

The letter was mailed by US Army Sergeant John Gonsalves in December 1945, while he was stationed in Bad Orb, in Central Germany. It was intended to be delivered to his mother in Woburn, Massachusetts, but was never received. In fact, it remained lost until last month, when it was discovered at a US Postal Service (USPS) distribution facility in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

“Dear, Mom. Received another letter from you today and was happy to hear that everything is okay. As for myself, I’m fine and getting along okay. But as far as the food it’s pretty lousy most of the time.”

He signed it: *“Love and kisses, Your son Johnny. I’ll be seeing you soon, I hope.”*

When found, USPS employees began their search for Gonsalves, who they discovered had passed in 2015. They then began looking for his next-of-kin and found the address of his widow, Angelina “Jean” Gonsalves, whom he’d met just five years after sending the letter. Prior to his death, they’d been married 61 years and had raised five children. On December 9, 2021, Angelina opened a package, which contained the letter and a note from the USPS, in which it expressed its condolences for her loss. “We are uncertain where this letter has been for the past seven-plus decades, but it arrived at our facility approximately six weeks ago,” the note read. “Due to the age and significance to your family history... delivering this letter was of utmost importance to us.” Speaking with *Boston 25 News*, Angelina shared her surprise over the letter’s existence. “Imagine that! Seventy-six years,” she said. “I just, I couldn’t believe it. And then just his handwriting and everything. It’s like he came back to me, you know? Really. That was amazing. He was a good man. He really was. Everyone loved him.”



Ref.: War History Online, Jan. 7, 2022, Clare Fitzgerald, Guest Author

A BLAST FROM THE PAST

Eric Harris brought in this clipping of the Toronto Matinee Hockey Club, Toronto. There is young Eric in the first row, on the right.



LISTS—TORONTO MATINEE HOCKEY LEAGUE—Members of the Forward Despatch Hockey Club. Front row (left to right): Bob Milnes, Dale McAulty, Joe Lokodi (manager), Andy Lawrence, Jimmy Smith, Eddie Wood, Eric Harris. Rear row: Dick Lunge (coach), Stan Hotchkiss, Dave Shepherd, Wilf Aucoin, Frank Hampton, Bob Ringwood, Tommy Jones. Missing from the picture are Capt. S. McNabney, Bill Bassett, Bob and Gary Preece.

HERITAGE CLUB SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM – 2022

The Heritage Club is planning to award three (3) scholarships to children or grand children of all dues paying members of the Heritage Club. The scholarships are now valued at \$2,000 each for university or college studies. The scholarships will be awarded to students starting, for the first time, their first year of full time studies.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

Dependent children, including adopted children and stepchildren, grandchildren, wards in legal guardianship of all active members (dues paying member for the last 2 years) of a Heritage Club Chapter. Applicants who have previously received a Heritage Club scholarship are not eligible.

ELIGIBLE INSTITUTIONS

These scholarships are applicable to all Canadian educational institutions which have provincial degree-granting powers or their affiliates and at Canadian colleges or CEGEPs*.

QUALIFICATIONS OF APPLICANTS

Applicants must have completed the requirements for admission into the first year of an undergraduate degree program or college diploma program at a recognized educational institution. Applicants must have obtained an average of 75% (or equivalent) on the best 5 academic courses (see list of academic courses below) in the final year of secondary school or CEGEP (pre-university education). If applicants interrupt their schooling, the maximum period permitted between the completion of secondary school or CEGEP (pre-university education) and the commencement of an undergraduate university degree program or college diploma program is 1 year. During this period, students may NOT have undertaken postsecondary courses.

ACADEMIC COURSES – GRADE 12/CEGEP

Language Arts, Mathematics, Pure Mathematics, Applied Mathematics, Science, Biology, Chemistry, Physics, Social Studies, Geography, History, Literature, Accounting, Computer Graphics, Law. French, English or any one language.

SELECTION OF SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

The jury is comprised of the Heritage Club executive committee members. The evaluation will be based on scholastic ability, character and leadership qualities at school and in the community. Decisions of the jury are final and without appeal.

APPLICATION DEADLINE

Submissions must be postmarked on or before **June 30, 2022**.

HOW TO OBTAIN AN APPLICATION PACKAGE

Please visit the Heritage Club website at heritageclub.ca or contact Eldred Holmes at holmese@nl.rogers.com

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 part of York County), encompassing Scarborough, and areas within historical Ontario and Durham Counties.

WHAT WE DO

The Pineridge Chapter organizes subsidized luncheons, bus travel, annual banquet and sports' events 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? Give our V-P Debbie a call: dagreenwood4@gmail.com, (905)-706-5285 or (905)-683-5750

WHY JOIN? – THE MEMBERSHIP ADVANTAGES

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Discounts to **Pineridge Chapter** events, luncheons, bus trips, group tours, sports activities.

Heritage Club **scholarships** for your kids and grandkids of \$2,000 per school year.

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 or more, otherwise coverage could be denied or terminated.

LIFE EVENTS

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.

Payment for dues and luncheons: Cheques for luncheons and membership dues should be made out to our **new address: Pineridge Heritage Club**, 4081 Thickson Rd. N., PO Box 4023, Whitby ON, L1R 2X0. You may also do an e-payment at: pineridgechapter14@gmail.com.

Payment for Time of Your Life 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 at the time.

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CHANGE OF ADDRESS NOTICE FORM

Name:

Old Address:

New Address:

Postal Code:

Phone Number:

Effective Date:

MEMBERSHIP

Membership dues for the following 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 address: (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: _____

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 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.

PAYING YOUR DUES

Send the **completed dues renewal form** to **our new address**: Pineridge Heritage Club, 4081 Thickson Rd. N., PO Box 4023, Whitby ON, L1r 2X0. You may also pay by e-payment: pineridgechapter14@gmail. **Cheques for luncheons and membership dues** should be made out to **Pineridge Heritage Club**.

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.