



Retirement Rag March 2011

Oakville Retirees Club
 Including Mississauga, Milton and Burlington
 P.O. Box 52047 Oakville, Ontario L6J 7N5

TELCO COMMUNITY VOLUNTEERS STATEMENT OF OBJECTIVES

The purpose of the Telco Community Retirees Clubs shall be:

To provide social, recreational, educational and cultural activities among members

To Provide meeting facilities for the accommodation of members and their guests

To promote participation and contribution by members in activities that are of service to the community

To promote participation and contribution by members in various Charitable organizations: and

Such other complementary purposes not inconsistent with the above objectives.



Annual General Meeting

Mark your calendars for our Annual General Meeting

Maple Grove United Church

Tuesday, April 5, 2011

Lunch 12:00 PM

Meeting to follow at 1:00 PM.

Presidents Message



Hope the Spring weather finds everyone in good health.

I am looking forward to seeing everyone at the events before we get into our Summer break.

It has been a busy and interesting year. I hope everyone has a warm, relaxing and active Summer.

We will meet again in the fall when we will have a new President. Barb Gohm will be taking on the job of President and I know we all wish her well in her term of office.. Thank you to all the members for making our club the best.

Eileen Chewter

Executive

President:	Eileen Chewter
Past President	Bill Hughes
Vice President:	Barbara Gohm
Secretary:	Syd McKay
Treasurer:	Jean Cook
AVP Club Room:	Claude Therrien
AVP Community Service:	Bill Check
AVP Fellowship:	Rose Kurak
AVP Fund Raising	Venetia Binns
AVP Historical:	Doug Kirkwood
AVP Newsletter	Bill Hughes
AVP Participation:	Dave Warren
AVP P.B. Moore Fund:	Bill Hughes
AVP Programs	Fred Bucknam
AVP Records:	Pat Herron
Crafters Who Care:	Bea Medland, Giselle Dunn
Golf Tournament	Ron Naccarato Chris Harvey
Oakville TCV Rep	Ron McLean

CLUB EVENTS

Christmas Luncheon - 07 December, 2010



Tom Brown (winner) & Bea Medland
Crafters Who Care - 2010 Quilt

Our Annual Christmas Luncheon was held at the Le Dome Banquet Hall in Oakville with 142 members and partners present. Past-President Bill Hughes MC'd the festivities which included a delicious meal, a sing-a-long with Don Croucher, a number of door prizes and a visit from the Candy Cane Elf, Yvonne Seaton. Tom Brown, shown with Bea Medland, was the winner of the Crafters Who Care Quilt. The Crafters, under the auspices of Bea Medland and Giselle Dunn, reported a successful draw and White Elephant Table that raised approximately \$1,100.00. The proceeds will enable them to purchase materials and continue their charitable works for the worthy causes that they support.

General Meeting - 01 February, 2011

On February 1st we held a general meeting at Maple Grove United Church. A free Lunch of sandwiches was provided. A humorous guest speaker, Judy Suke, a Professor from Sheridan College, entertained us, and informed us as well. The small turnout was attributed to the weather forecast of a huge snowstorm that never happened, again.

Sheridan College Theatre - 15 February, 2011

On February 15th 33 of our members attended Sheridan College Theatre. The musical was "Once upon a Mattress" based on Hans Christian Andersons "The Princess and The Pea". These amateurs put on a great show with great costumes, great settings, great voices. The cast was large about 35 members. This outing is well worth the price and is becoming an annual event.



Salvation Army Mississauga Cawthra - 17 February, 2011

On February 17, the Salvation Army Mississauga Cawthra held a reception for the volunteers who assisted with their annual Christmas Bureau. For over 20 years our club has provided volunteers to assist them. In 2000 Bell introduced the Employee Giving Plan where employees or pensioners could apply for a grant to a charity if we contributed 50 hours as an individual or 500 hours as a team. In that first year our club had 27 members give over 700 hours to the Army and we were given a grant of \$2,500.00 for the Army. This year 2010 we only had 7 members who along with friends provided the required 500 hours and again we given a grant of \$2,500.00. This was the 12th year we have been given this grant for a total of \$30,000.00, not bad.

CLUB EVENTS Continued

The Echoes of Ireland- 10 March, 2011



On March 10th 36 members and guests left the church by coach to visit Brantford and the Sanderson Centre to see "The Echoes of Ireland". This musical is the combination of the step dance group The Magic Of Ireland and the author Frank McCourt and his brother Malachy McCourt. Six young Irish colleens and three young lads provided the Irish step dancing not unlike the famous Michael Flatley and the "Riverdance" but on a smaller scale. While the dancers were energetic and brought fast dancing to the stage, the two actors who were the Irish story tellers created a problem for some of the audience in trying to understand the Irish accent or it may have been the audio system. The group were accompanied by a fine five piece band.

Before the show began we enjoyed a roast beef dinner in the entrance to the theatre.

Another good outing.

Up Coming Events

The Program Committee has once again arranged some interesting events, some of which are listed below.

Date	Event
Tuesday 05 April, 2011	The Annual Meeting of our club at Maple Grove United Church. Lunch at 12:00 Noon, meeting to follow at 1:00 P.M.
Wednesday 20 April, 2011	Come with us to the Oakville Centre, 130 Navy St. in Oakville to see a live comedy called "Nurse Jane goes to Hawaii." Show time 8:00 P.M. Please arrive by 7:30 to pick up your tickets from Danielle. Cost \$16 for members and partners, \$19 for guests. Call Danielle Young.
Saturday 07 May, 2011	Pancake Breakfast! Come share with your fellow members; pancakes, sausage, fruit and coffee or tea, at the Balsam Dr. exchange building. \$5.00 per person at the door. From 9:00 to 11:00 A.M.
Tuesday 31 May, 2011	We will visit Carmens in Hamilton for lunch and then hear the original Four Lads .
Wednesday 22 June, 2011	Annual BBQ - Port Credit Yacht Club The cost will be \$13 for members and their significant other and \$26 for guests.

(Continued Please see next page for reservation and transportation information)

REFUNDS will only be made if you notify the Program Committee at least two weeks prior to the event. This includes the Christmas Luncheon and Annual B.B.Q. Late cancellations can not be accepted as the Club is committed to pay for the event.

Event Reservations!! IMPORTANT!! When you make a reservation for an event, please send a cheque to:

TCV-OAKVILLE
P.O. Box 52047, Oakville ON
L6J 7N5

Note: If we do not receive your cheque two weeks before an event, you will be placed on a waiting list

Please Note

Cheques should be made out to “TCV-Oakville” and no other form of “Pay to” is acceptable. The Bank will no longer accept cheques that are not “made out in this fashion. We will be forced to return cheques not filled out properly and request the above “Pay to” TCV-Oakville on the cheque.



Please Note: Members who require **transportation** to any event are asked to call the event coordinator, or any member of the Program Committee. If you wish to volunteer for this service, call the same numbers! For up to date information on your club's activities, call the Event Line (905 849-9867)

Your Events Programme Committee:

Fred Bucknam, Danielle Young, Barb Gohm, Lorna Maj, Marie Walker, Shirley Ross



“What is most valuable is not what you have in your life, but who you have in your life.”

Membership

New Members

Mr John Bajdowicz (Lynn) Mississauga



In Memoriam

Mrs Maggs Barrett (Mississauga)	Jan. 2011
Mrs Maree Carroll (Mississauga)	Mar. 2011
Mr Ken MacNair (Oakville)	Jan. 2011
Mr Jack McCrudden (Burlington)	Nov. 2010
Mrs Marion Rivers (Oakville)	Nov. 2010
Mr Milt Sweeney (Oakville)	Dec. 2010



Keeping in Touch

We do not always hear when one of our Members change their address or, pass away. Please help by letting us know if you hear of a death or someone moving.

NEW MEMBERS are always welcome ! Do you know anyone that is eligible to join ?

Please call or e-mail Pat Herron

Thoughts



LIFE MAY NOT BE THE PARTY WE HAD HOPED FOR, BUT WHILE WE ARE HERE WE MIGHT AS WELL DANCE.

HOW TO STAY YOUNG

Keep only cheerful friends.
The grouches pull you down.
(Keep this in mind if you are one of those grouches!)



Enjoy the simple things.



Laugh often, long and loud.
Laugh until you gasp for breath.
And if you have a friend who makes you laugh,
spend lots and lots of time with HIM/HER.