



President Emeritus

Bill Totten
519-253-7998
wtotten@sympatico.ca

Past-President

Anita Blair
519-776-6747
ablair4@gmail.com

President

Jo-An Dale
519-354-5645
mj.dale@sympatico.ca

Vice-President

Cindy Bissonnette
519-966-5258
cbiss2011@gmail.com

Secretary

Marilyn Portt
519-969-0693
mportt@hotmail.com

Treasurer

Sue Bezaire
519-736-3172
sbezaire@live.ca

Membership

Anita Blair
519-776-6747
ablair4@gmail.com

Thames Rep.

Elizabeth Barr
519-354-3274
ebarr000@sympatico.ca

Communications

Pat Hallahan
519-945-4304
phallahan@cogeco.ca

Social

Margaret Goodman
519-739-0887
mgoodman6@cogeco.ca

Fundraising

Jay Ertel
519-436-0589
jertelchtm@gmail.com

Newsletter

Del/John Zangari
519-974-8932
zangari@primus.ca

Goodwill

Lori Caba
519-974-1588
jcaba6@cogeco.ca

Board Observer

Owen Klein
519-972-1388
2owenklein@hotmail.ca

Retirees' Voice Mail

972-2727 Ext 4439

Retirees' Website

www.stclaircollege.ca/people/retirees

PRESIDENT'S REPORT



After the long winter we have had, I think the Spring is finally coming. The Executive for the Retirees is making plans for your consideration. May 5th is the annual meeting for the Retirees. See details of the event later in the newsletter. We have arranged to have a tour of the new Sports Plex followed by the meeting and then a barbecue. I hope to see you at the AGM so you can review the events of this past year and enjoy food and fellowship with our colleagues

It's hard to believe another year has passed already and I want to thank once again all the members of the Executive for making this year a success. Your support is appreciated as you assist in planning the events for our membership. Last year we were pleased to have 290 paid members in the association and many of you have taken part in one of the many events planned. If you haven't renewed your membership for this year, it's not too late to do so. Renewal notices are included in this newsletter for those of you who haven't renewed from last year. Please send us any change of mailing and email addresses so we can keep in contact with you. It is important that we have an up to date email as we may need to use this tool more to communicate with you as the cost of postage for mailing is ever increasing.

A new venture for the retiree group this year is to partner with the Woodland Hills Golf Course and on May 1st a day is planned for retirees to enjoy golf, games and food. If there is enough interest, it may be possible to have a golf league. If you are interested let the Executive know. More information is provided in the newsletter. The Winter trip to Punta Cana was enjoyed by 12 retirees and friends. We are open to ideas of where you might like to go next year. On April 30, the Executorship Workshop will be held in Chez Talbot and staff at the College are invited to attend as well as the retirees.

We are planning a theatre trip this spring to Victoria Playhouse in Petrolia to see "Fiddler on the Loose, Part 2" on June 10th. Details are included in the newsletter. If it is half as good as last year's performance we are in for a real treat. We are carpooling to this event, so if you need a ride let one of the executive know and we will try and help accomplish this.

The Executive continues to meet with Dr. Strasser to be updated on the progress at the College. Enrolments at both campus sites continue to be strong and new programs are being launched and older programs are being revitalized and some which have served their purpose are being suspended. The building of the Sports (formerly the Health) Plex in Windsor is expected to be finished and on the week end of April 5th a provincial gymnastics competition is being held to show case what can happen in the future in this up to date sports facility. All in all the College is in good standing and continues to meet the needs of the Windsor/Essex and Chatham-Kent areas. Construction on the Parkway and the Long Term Care Facility continues. The Schlegel Complex will be opening in the summer this year.

The Executive are looking into plans for the Fall. We are investigating the details to offer a trip to Chicago. If you have any suggestions for events or trips don't hesitate to contact one of the Executive. We appreciate the ideas you have.

President's report continued...

I am looking forward to seeing you at the AGM or one of the events planned for this spring and summer. I wish you a pleasant summer with your families and friends as you take part in the activities that give you pleasure and make your retirement the joy it should be.

JoAn Dale,
President

SOUTHWEST DETENTION CENTRE TOUR

On Saturday February 22/14 about 20 retirees very much enjoyed a tour of the new Southwest Detention Centre facility on the outskirts of Windsor.

This as yet unoccupied 200000 sq. ft., \$247M facility is intended to replace the aging jails in both Windsor and Chatham. At capacity, it will house up to 315 inmates.

The tour was conducted by the superintendent/warden who has 36 years of provincial experience in managing these types of institutions. Drawing on this experience and, after years researching similar institutions around the globe, he is justly proud of this state-of-the-art structure.

In addition to housing the general population, it also accommodates the mentally ill and has a fully equipped health services area. There is an area for the most serious behavioural offenders who can gradually work their way to the more pleasant environs of the

general population with program areas, classrooms, work activities and recreation facilities. Women, who account for 5-10% of the inmates, are accommodated separately.

Airy, roomy and bright, the Centre attempts to create an atmosphere conducive to a respectful relationship between staff and inmates, most of whom are in this provincial facility for up to two years.

Offenders with longer sentences are generally sent to federal penitentiaries.

This very large property also contains a soccer field and a cricket pitch, both of which can be used by the general public.

Many thanks to Margaret Goodman, social convenor, for organizing this very interesting educational opportunity.

CONTACTS FOR HEALTH BENEFITS AND PENSIONS

The **College contact** person for retirees seeking information on **pensions and benefits** is Kim Bode, 519-972-2727 Ext. 4687. To contact the **CAAT Pension Plan**, call **Member Services** at 416-673-9000, or Toll Free at 1-866-350-2228, and press 1 for Member Services, or FAX: 416-673-7028. For general inquiries email, member@caatpension.on.ca



St. Clair College Alumni Association

To Present the Annual ALUMNI OF DISTINCTION AWARDS

Friday, May 9, 2014

The St. Clair College Alumni Association and St. Clair Foundation annually recognize accomplished graduates with a St. Clair College Alumni Award of Distinction. One Alumnus is recognized in each of the following disciplines: Creative Arts, Technology, Business, Health Sciences and Community Studies.

Five St. Clair College graduates have been named winners of the school's 2014 Alumni Awards of Distinction.

They are:

- **Cole Cacciavillani**, a 1978 Industrial Engineering Technology graduate and secretary-treasurer of CF Group in Leamington;
- **Dino Chiodo**, graduate of Law and Security in 1990 and 1990, president of Unifor Local 444;
- **Alan Dark**, a 1993 graduate from Business Advertising, and currently general manager of CBC Revenue Group;
- **Sue Denomy**, 1974 Nursing graduate and president and CEO of Bluewater Health
- **Jason Fabok**, who graduated from Animation – Tradigital in 2007, and is currently an illustrator with DC Comics.

They will be honoured May 9 with a dinner in the Skyline Room at the St. Clair College for the Arts.

WAR OF 1812 MUSEUM TOUR

Eleven retirees toured the War of 1812 Museum exhibit at the Chatham-Kent Museum on Wednesday, February 26, 2014. The exhibition on loan from the Canadian War Museum, Ottawa showcased paraphernalia from the War of 1812. With the help of artifacts and a very knowledgeable tour guide, the retirees were given an excellent account of the perspective of the four groups of people (Americans,

Natives, British and Canadians) fighting in the war and what it meant to each of them. The war formally ended in 1815 with the Treaty of Ghent.

Following the tour, the retirees joined a number of other retirees for lunch at Swiss Chalet, Chatham.

Submitted by Elizabeth Barr



Jim & Eunice Robinson, Cassey & Janet Huisman, Walt Stetchyshy, Janet Crompton, Sandy McCarthy, Mario - Chatham-Kent Museum, Elizabeth Barr, Gary McLeod, Jim Martin, Gord Crompton

GREAT TRUTHS ABOUT GROWING OLD

Growing up is mandatory, growing old is optional.

You're getting old when you get the same sensation from a rocking chair you once got from a roller coaster.

Wisdom comes with age, but sometimes age comes alone.

VICTORIA PLAYHOUSE - PETROLIA

There are still tickets available to attend the planned Spring
Trip for the St. Clair College Retirees.

This is a matinee performance starting at 2:00 p.m., June 10

The production is "Fiddler on the Loose 2",

If you like music, this is the show for you.

The cost is \$36.00 a ticket and you can reserve your spot by calling
Marilyn Portt at 519-969-0693 or
mportt@hotmail.com

TAKE NOTE!

**This is your opportunity to learn about:
WILLS
POWER OF ATTORNEY
DUTIES OF AN EXECUTOR**

WHEN: WEDNESDAY, APRIL 30, 2014

WHERE: CHEZ TALBOT

TIME: 4:00PM

Further information can be obtained from Sue Bezaire.

HEALTHPLEX & SPORTSPLEX FUNDRAISING

**St. Clair College retirees have raised \$36,600
to date, 122% of our \$30,000 goal.**

We were pleased to advise Dr. Strasser that we
retirees have now surpassed our Fundraising
Target.

The SportsPlex is to open in April 2014.

We are now in year 6 of this 10 year fundraising
campaign. We advised Dr. Strasser that the
SCCRA will continue to support and contribute to
the College fundraising initiatives.

Thank you to the retirees who have already made

their contribution to the HealthPlex Campaign. The
retiree pledges made during the Brick Campaign
ranged from \$100 to \$10,000. **The HealthPlex
Brick Campaign forms were included with the
fall Newsletter.** The SCCRA has purchased two
bricks for \$150, one for both Thames and Windsor.
**Please consider supporting the HealthPlex Brick
Campaign.**

Submitted by Jay Ertel

SHARING WITH FANSHAWE RETIREES

Following a meeting with the Fanshawe College Retirees' Association it was agreed that we would try to cooperate, where possible, by promoting each others' activities so that retirees of both colleges might be able to benefit from the planning at the other college. St. Clair retirees have been invited to participate in a Fanshawe Retirees' Association event on Thursday, May 8, 2014. The day includes a tour of a Wind Farm near Port Burwell followed by lunch in Vienna at Bayham's Family Table. St. Clair retirees have been invited to participate in a Fanshawe Retirees' Association event on Thursday, May 8, 2014. The day includes a tour of a Wind Farm near Port Burwell followed by lunch in Vienna at Bayham's Family Table. After lunch, there will be tours of the HMCS Ojibwa in Port Burwell.

HMCS Ojibwa



ST. CLAIR COLLEGE WOODLAND HILLS GOLF CLUB



A Spring Get to Know Us Day
Bar B Q Lunch
Golf, Lawn Games & Prizes
All for \$10.00



Thursday, May 1st starting at 11:00 A.M.
Call 519-975-4653 to register by April 26

In Memoriam

*The following retirees passed away during the period from
February 8, 2014, to April 8, 2014.*

RETIREES/FULL TIME STAFF

JOHN “JACK” GLENDINNING - a staff member of the Thames Campus



DAVID HIBBARD – passed away 4 days before his 94th birthday in Toronto. He is survived by his wife Laurel Hibbard and 3 daughters. He was predeceased by his first wife Helen Hibbard. Dave was a faculty member in the Technology Division.

CAROLE NOBLE - Carole had taught English as a Second Language at the Thames Campus for many years.

CATHERINE ANN (KATIE) TAYLOR - a staff member of the Thames Campus.



GAIL TURNBULL died early in February at her home in Windsor. Gail began her career as a library technician at the Western Ontario Institute of Technology (W.O.I.T) and then moved to the new Library at South Campus in 1967. Her career at St. Clair spanned 40 years.



WILLIAM “BILL” WALDRON, passed away at home in Essex on Friday, February 14 in his 84th year. Beloved husband of the late Thelma (2011) and father of Lois, David, late Keith (2002), and Clifford Clark. Following a distinguished career in the Canadian Navy, Bill began his teaching career at Essex District High School and later became Professor of Economics at St. Clair College. He served as an Assistant Coach for the St. Clair College Saints hockey team, and retired in 1974. He was a founding member of the St. Clair College Retirees' Association for which he was recognized with a Life Membership.

The following family members of retirees passed away during the period from February 8, 2014 to April 8, 2014

BILL DAVIS' of Thames Campus brother Murray

LOUISE HILLIER'S son Dennis Leland Hillier

ROGER MINER'S mother Rita

MIKE SILVIAGGIO'S grandmother Angela

MAY THEY REST IN PEACE!

ST. CLAIR COLLEGE RETIREES

To See the CAAT Pension Plan Webinar Follow the Instructions.

30 minutes in length

“GROWTH IS GOOD”

1. Go on the St. Clair College website.
2. Click on “College Board & Staff” (left hand column)
3. Click on “Retirees’ Association”
4. Go to rand hand column under the beach picture and click on “Pensions and Benefits”
5. Scroll down until you see “ADDITIONAL INFORMATION”
6. Click on “CAAT March Webinar Transcript”
7. Click on arrow in lower left of screen, and the webinar will play.
8. The webinar is presented by Derek Dobson, CEO, of the CAAT Pension Plan.
9. Transcripts of slides and answers to questions are located below the screen.’

NOTE: We have been assured that if you have any further questions, the CAAT Plan will be happy to address them by e-mail, or phone, 1-866-350-2228

UPCOMING EVENTS

1. Tuesday , Apr. 29 - Bridge Club - Roseland
2. Wednesday, Apr. 30 - Thames Luncheon, 11:30 AM, Casa Bella Restaurant
3. Wednesday, Apr. 30 - Executorship, Powers of Attorney, Wills Workshop,
4:00 PM - Windsor Campus
4. Thursday, May 01, St. Clair College Woodland Hills Golf Course, 11:00 AM
5. Monday, May 05 - Annual General Meeting, 3:00 PM Meeting & 4:00 PM
BBQ, Chez Talbot
Preview Tour of the new SportsPlex (preceding AGM), 1:30 PM -
SportsPlex
6. Wednesday, May 28 - Thames Luncheon, 11:30 AM, Tru's Grillhouse
Restaurant
7. Tuesday, June 10 - Victoria Playhouse – Petrolia “Fiddler on the Loose 2”
(musical)
8. Tuesday June 17 - President's Appreciation Brunch

OUT OF THE MOUTHS OF BABES!!!

Three boys are in school yard bragging about their fathers.

*The first boy says, "My dad scribbles a few words on a piece of paper, he calls it a poem
and they give him \$50.00"*

*The second boy says "That's nothing. My dad scribbles a few words on a piece of paper, he calls it a
song,
and they give him \$100."*

*The third boy says, "I got you both beat. My dad scribbles on a piece of paper, he calls it a sermon,
and it takes eight people to collect all the nmney!"*