

# DCRA Retiree News

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DURHAM COLLEGE RETIREES' ASSOCIATION

## President's Message

Welcome to the Durham College Retirees' Association and our first official newsletter.

As you are aware, an executive has been formed and already there have been some modifications. The position of Newsletter Editor has been taken over by Sharon Babbs. Angie Youroukis decided other commitments made it impossible for her to continue as an active member of the executive. However, she will continue to be the lead person in establishing a Wall of Retirees at the college.

Lister Robinson has asked not to be on the executive but, fortunately for us, has offered to continue his work on building and maintaining our mailing list, a very important function.

My message today is to convey to you that if our organization is to be successful, we need your help. We are already receiving wonderful support from Gary Polonsky and the College, so now it is up to us. Your help is needed in several ways, such as:

- 1] participating in planned events
- 2] offering ideas/suggestions for the group's goals and success
- 3] suggesting and running an event
- 4] inviting other retirees to join in

Ray Blomme, our Social Director, and all the executive will be glad to offer support and assistance.

Please read about our next event, planned in conjunction with the Official Opening of the new Durham College/UOIT facilities.

On behalf of the executive, we look forward to seeing you and your spouse or partner at this event.

*Barry Bracken*

## UPCOMING EVENTS

See inside  
for details:

*Fri., Oct. 29,  
1 pm, Room  
1152, Simcoe  
Building.*

A Dinner  
Theatre  
*outing is  
being looked  
into by Ray  
Blomme.*

## Mission Statement

The Durham College Retirees' Association is an organization whose function is to provide members with companionship, pertinent information, opportunities for service, and response to their concerns.

## HELP WANTED

*with BYLAWS*

The St. Clair College Retirees' Association by-laws will be used as a precedent. If you'd like to assist, please let us know!

## Retiree Gathering and Invitation Fri., Oct. 29

Please plan to attend our next event, being held in conjunction with the Official Opening of several campus facilities.

Plan to come at 1 pm to Room 1152 in the Simcoe Building. You can park near the building's North side via the Guest Parking lot (see map on your enclosed invitation).

We'll gather there first for snacking, renewing acquaintances, and meeting briefly. Spouses/partners are welcome!

RSVP by phone to Lauren Barker, 905-721-3111, x2240 or email [rsvp@dc-uoit.ca](mailto:rsvp@dc-uoit.ca). Please mention that you're with our association so we can plan ahead.

## Vacation Saving\$

An Our Turn to Learn session by Brian David was about getting bargain cruises and vacations. Especially helpful: Sign up for weekly updates by visiting the website [www.vacationstogo.com](http://www.vacationstogo.com), giving reduced prices on cruises worldwide for the next 90 days.

If you're a long-term planner rather than a bargain-hunter, you can also search by destination for any cruise, cruise line, date range, and/or length of time.

To search for all-inclusive vacations by date, price range, length-of-stay, or for flights only, visit:

[www.belairtravel.com](http://www.belairtravel.com)  
[www.holidaymarkettravel.com](http://www.holidaymarkettravel.com)  
[www.redtag.ca](http://www.redtag.ca)

"The greatest timesaver I know of is to own two pair of glasses."

*(Over the Hill & On a Roll by Bob Phillips)*



If I'd known I was going to live this long, I'd have taken better care of myself.

Jimmy Durante

## Golf Day a success!

Our thanks to Jim and Annabel Anderson for hosting the first golf-and-lunch event. All who participated enjoyed Sept. 15 at the Deer Creek Academy.



## Durham College Retirees' Association Executive

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Can you guess who:

- ✓ teaches jazz piano?
- ✓ works at a golf course?
- ✓ is a trail captain for the Oakridges Trail?
- ✓ paints watercolours?
- ✓ is an unretired retiree?

## What's new?

Here's an opportunity for us to keep in touch. Let's share things we're doing, learning, needing, selling, and enjoying these days!

Just email or phone news to [s.babbs@rogers.com](mailto:s.babbs@rogers.com), 905-434-6297.



### More Ideas for Events?

Feel free to call Ray Blomme to discuss your ideas for future events at 905-579-2680.

## Red Hat Society

The Red Hat Society of Durham College and UOIT was chartered recently, thanks to Kathy Rhodes' initiative.

On Sept. 30, an info session was held and resulted in retirees and employees signing up to join the Chapter, which is the 39,565<sup>th</sup> in the Red Hat organization.

Also attending were retailers from Bowmanville, Oshawa and Port Perry, displaying a wide range of Red Hat accessories.



**SPACE**

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**FOR**

**YOUR**

**NEWS...**



We thank the DC Human Resources for mailing out this first newsletter. In future, it might only be sent to members of the association.

Please check the list for your name.

If it's missing, consider joining by completing and returning the form included here.

There is no fee to join.

Also, H.R. requests that you keep them up-to-date on any change of address, email, or phone.

You can cut class from a correspondence course by sending in empty envelopes.  
(Dickson Printing Ajax Brochure)

**CURRENT MEMBERSHIP**  
**DURHAM COLLEGE**  
**RETIREES' ASSOCIATION**

Allen	Judy	Jack	Barbara
Allonsius	Irene	Jewel	Betty
Anderson	Jim	Kelly	Bertha
Anderson	Minna	Koeslag	Peter
Andrey-McCormac	Pat	Lee	Rod
Babbs	Sharon	Lilwall	Clive
Barlow	Mel	Lytwynchuk	Alice
Bennett	Margie	Manery	Woody
Beverly	Elaine	Mercer	June
Blomme	Ray	Michaud	Alice
Boyes	Jim	Nyran	Hank
Bracken	Barry	Owens	Ted
Brimbecom	Gail	Parker	Joyce
Brown	Mary-Jane	Pelham	Sylvia
Burke	Bernice	Pettit	Gerry
Campbell	Dennis	Phillips	Stan
Charlebois	Hugh	Porter	Margaret
Chesterton	David	Robinson	Lister
Cook	Merrill	Smith	Arthur
Darch	Gloria	Smith	Reginald
Duckworth	Ruth	Smith	Valerie
Dulmage	Bill	Smithson	Gladys
Edwards	Len	Snowden	Richard
Endicott	Don	Stewart	Dave
Ferguson	Bonny	Stewart	Ian
Garland	Melvin	Terwillegar	Helen
German	Dave	Towell	Victor
Goodchild	Russ	Vandepol	John
Green	Gwendoline	Vrdoljak	Ante
Green	John	Vujanovic	Vaso
Hanna	Bill	Walton	Guy
Hargest	Don	Whaley	Patricia
Holdforth	Robert	Youroukis	Angie