

DCRA News

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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.



President's Message

Jim Anderson

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Wow, where did the summer go! The Retirees I come in contact with are all busy doing many different things. Some are looking after grandchildren, some are travelling, and others have part time jobs.

My grandson says "Papa is either playing golf, working at the golf course or sleeping". I hope your summer was as busy as mine.

This summer Mel Garland, Peggy Kirkconnell and Bert Dejeet passed away, it reminds how precious our lives are and we should be filling our days with lots of memories. Some of our members do not have their health the way they would like and our thoughts and prayers are with them.

Keep in touch, we hope to see you at the Christmas luncheon.

YOU CAN'T DANCE TO MOZART

John Green's play '**You Can't Dance to Mozart**' was a huge success at **Class Act Dinner Theatre** - playing to sold out crowds throughout the month of August. It is a delightful comedy with a clever script.

The play has been picked up by other theatre companies and will be presented many times in the future. John promises to let us know the "where and when".

Congratulations John!!

Golf Tournament, September 6, 2007 – Deer Creek Academy



(More Pictures at end of Newsletter)

Fun was had by all 21 Retirees who attended the Golf Tournament at Deer Creek Academy. The weather was perfect, the BBQ delightful and the companionship superb.

As the golfers approached the clubhouse, they could hear the frivolity and laughter echoing over the fairways. Helen, Annabelle and Donna (there for the BBQ only) had started the party without them.

As you can see from the pictures, everyone soon joined the fun. Plans were made for future golf games and future visits between friends.

Don't let 'not being a golfer' stop you from attending - all had a marvelous time.

Hope more of you can join us next year; the 'catching up' with friends is worth more than gold – to say nothing about the nice lunch.

Lowest Score Dave Drury (Debbie's hubby)

Longest Drive Don Fraser

Shortest Putt Carol Koeslag (Pete's wife)



<p><u>Durham College professor to assume position at St. Clair College</u></p> <p>Robynne Smith, an Early Childhood Education professor, will be assuming a new position as chair of the School of Community Studies at St. Clair College in Windsor, Ontario at the end of August. Her enthusiastic dedication to enriching the lives of her colleagues and students has prepared her well for this challenge. Faculty and staff from the Durham College School of Health & Community Services wish Smith much success in this new adventure and will miss her team spirit, professional approach to work and leadership.</p> <p>Congratulations Robynne!</p>	<p><u>Durham College Campus Recreation and Wellness Centre</u></p> <p>Ken Babcock, Director of Athletics outlined the new state-of-the-art Campus Recreation and Wellness Centre. The facility includes everything a modern Wellness Centre should have. It is located just west of the existing facility. Ken announced that Retirees have complementary membership - FREE - (College staff, Retirees' Spouses = \$205/year, general public = \$345/year)... Details of fitness classes are still to be worked out. A great chance for Retirees to stay in shape. For more information contact Ken at the College.</p> <p>http://www.campusrecreationcentre.com/index.htm</p> <p>If you are interested in registering for a free membership (Retirees only) to the Campus Recreation and Wellness Centre, you must have a Retiree photo identification card. This can be arranged by visiting our Campus Photo ID office located at SW203 after September 14th. They are currently located in G213, Dining Room from 9-4. The next few days will be busy with students getting their cards, so you may want to wait a bit.</p>
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Staff Appreciation Night on October 4, at General Sikorski Hall

An invitation will be mailed out to you very soon and then Retirees can email or call Kelly Bailey (905 721-2000) to either have their FREE ticket mailed to them or Kelly can put their name on a list that will be at the door that evening.

Since there are a lot of staff receiving awards this year **they** have first chances at getting tickets. There is a date in which other staff and Retirees will be able to get tickets. This will be explained in the soon-to-arrive communication.

Simplified Passport **Renewal** Process as of August 15, 2007

This information was taken from: <http://www.ppt.gc.ca/>

The Simplified Passport Renewal Process offers an opportunity for Canadian citizens to replace their passports without having to resubmit documents to support their application and guarantor information. To be eligible to participate in this project, an applicant must :

- live in Canada,
- have been at least 16 years of age at the time of their previous application,
- have a 5-year-validity passport issued after January 31, 2002 in Canada, that has not been altered or damaged, or reported as lost or stolen,
- have lived in Canada when their last passport was issued, and
- apply using the same name that appears on the previous (expiring/expired) passport.

In order for us to process a renewal application through the Simplified Passport Renewal Process, the applicant must provide a completed form, including the [current fee](#), [two new photos](#), and their previous passport.

Service locations – Whitby

Passport Canada

Whitby Mall

1615 Dundas Street East

Whitby, ON

Mon-Fri: 8:00 - 16:00, Sat: 9:00 - 12:00

New Passport Guarantor Policy

On October 1, 2007 Passport Canada will introduce a simpler guarantor policy, which will allow most Canadian adult passport holders to act as guarantors.

The guarantor:

- Must hold a five-year Canadian passport that is valid or has been expired for no more than one year.
- May be a family member.
- May reside at the same address as the address.
- Must have known the applicant for at least two years.
- Must be a Canadian citizen 18 years of age or older and must have been 16 years of age or older when they applied for their own passport.

The new Simplified Passport Renewal program application form will be available at all Passport Canada offices and their web site www.ppt.gc.ca.

<p><u>Condolences to Families & Friends of</u></p> <p>Mel Garland</p>	<p><u>New Members</u></p> <p>Bob Bell Diane Anderson Campbell John Campbell Robert Myszkowsky Peter Schloen Fred Thompson</p>	<p><u>UPCOMING EVENTS</u></p> <p><u>Staff Appreciation – Oct 4, 2007</u> General Sikorski Hall</p> <p><u>Christmas Luncheon</u> Tuesday, Dec. 4, 2007 at LVIV Hall, Oshawa.</p>
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FROM Kelly Bailey's Email:

MELVIN LLOYD GARLAND F.O., R.C.A.F. B.Sc. (Hon.), M.B.A., P. Eng. It is with great sadness we announce the passing of Mel Lloyd Garland, in his 85th year, on September 3, 2007, beloved husband for 60 years of Marguerite Mae (Allen). Dear father of Linda of Chippawa, Jane of Flesherton, Pat of Fort Saskatchewan, Greig of London, Jennifer of Keene, and David of Toronto. Lovingly remembered by his 15 grandchildren. Son of the late John and Agnes Garland of Port Dalhousie. Dear brother of the late Jack Garland of California. His greatest source of pride was his family. Mel served as a Spitfire pilot with Squadron 403 R.C.A.F. 1941-45, receiving 39-45 Star/France/Germany, and was a member of the Caterpillar Club. His experience included being shot down, captured and escaping from German troops. He graduated from Queen's University in 1948 1/2 with a Bachelor of Science (Hon.) in Electrical Engineering and from Harvard University School of Business in 1951 with a Masters in Business Administration. Mel held progressively senior positions with companies including General Electric, Ford, Kimball Systems Ltd., General Bakeries and International Tool Limited (Windsor). In 1974, he joined the Ontario Ministry of Tourism and Trade, serving as Executive Director of Industry, Executive Director of Industry and Trade and Executive Director of Trade. As the head of the ministry's trade development branch, he travelled the world working with ministry foreign offices. His interest in education led to a third career when he served as Durham College President from 1980 until his retirement in 1988 when he focused on building Haygar Enterprises, a company he co-founded, supplying fundraising products to service clubs. He also served as chairman of the Ontario Chamber of Commerce Education Committee when the Ontario Community College system was established; Windsor Industrial Commission (vice-chair); University of Windsor Research Institute (director); and held membership with Rotary International, Queen's and Harvard Alumni Associations. Active in the community, he enjoyed tennis, lawn bowling and golf.

GOLF TOURNAMENT PICTURES



Guy, Jim, Don, Dave, Debbie, Carol Koeslag



Woody Manery, Jon Vandepol



Annabelle Anderson, Helen Terwillegar



Peter Koeslag, Donna Crawford



John Green, Dick Snowden



Dick, Lister, Sherry