

JANUARY 2023 E-BLAST

Welcome to 2023 and an exciting new year for RTOERO and all retirees! As we look back to remember the good and the challenging times we have had, we also look forward to a brighter, hopefully more Covid-free year. RTOERO District 28 has many activities and events planned in 2023 to keep you and your mind active and engaged. We welcome your participation in all!

DO YOU KNOW ANYONE WHO IS PLANNING ON RETIRING IN THE NEXT FEW YEARS?

LET THEM KNOW ABOUT OUR FREE RETIREMENT PLANNING WORKSHOPS!!!

As well as our continuing virtual Retirement Planning Workshops, we **NOW HAVE** an **IN-PERSON** workshop to be held on **Feb 22** at the Ajax Convention Centre. Please encourage all retiring educational workers to come, learn about the benefits of retirement, meet us in person, ask all sorts of questions, get answers, and learn about our wonderful, active district. Please share this with any educational employee you know who is even thinking about retiring!

 Registration page: <u>https://rtoero.ca/events/event-rpw-</u> <u>detail/?id=47e114aa-ed82-ed11-81ad-</u> <u>0022483ddf55</u>



• QR Code: bit.ly/3C8o78C



RTOERO DISTRICT 28 HIKERS!:

Our January Hike will be in the Uxbridge Country Preserve. It is on Durham 47, which runs southwest from the centre of Uxbridge. We will meet in the Uxbridge Walmart parking lot close to the south fence at 10:00. (If there is new snow, you are welcome to bring snowshoes or ice grips, as it can be slippery at times)

PLEASE NOTE: We meet monthly on the 3rd Thursday. Next hike will be January 19th at 10:00 a.m.



COFFEE on Us:

Come and join us for our monthly coffee get togethers at Tim Hortons: We meet at 10:00 am. Next coffee dates are January 25/26, February 22/23, and March 29/30.

- Ajax, Bowmanville, Oshawa, Port Perry, Uxbridge on WEDNESDAYS
- Pickering, Whitby on THURSDAYS

Up-coming events:

A reminder to register for our Zoom Presentation Tuesday January 17th at 7:00 p.m. <u>"A Virtual Visit to the Antarctic"</u>

Health Care updates!

Please see the latest <u>DUSTOFF (page 16)</u> for the new changes to our Health Care Benefits Plan. They come into effect on January 1st!

Goodwill:

Christmas Flowers were sent to 84 RTOERO District 28 members residing in Retirement Communities, Long-Term Care Communities & Some Private Homes. The 27 Retirement & Long-Term Communities where our members reside also received a Christmas Floral Arrangement to show appreciation for their support of our members. We encouraged these facilities to place these arrangements in common areas for all residents to enjoy during this festive season. We have received a number of calls, notes, and e-mail messages from our members to express their gratitude for continuing this District 28 initiative Goodwill contact person changes

Pickering Contact Person - Cathy Murrant <u>cathym30@sympatico.ca</u> 905-420-5157

Oshawa Change in E-mail Address for Marion Bryant marionbryant233@gmail.com

Dustoff Magazine

Over the last year, all members have received the DUSTOFF newsletter. During this time, we have heard from many members about how it has been distributed and we are listening. For our upcoming spring edition, and possibly for all future editions, any member that has previously indicated they only wish it sent electronically, will not receive a hard copy. A digital copy will be posted on the News tab of our District 28 website DUSTOFF Autumn - Winter 2022 - District-28-Region of Durham (rtoero.ca). Information of when and where it will be distributed via our monthly e-Blast mini news. All other members will receive a hard copy. If any member wishes to change their preferences, please send your request to RTOERO Office.

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