

HAMILTON FIRE DEPARTMENT PENSIONERS ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER



November 2023

CALENDAR

Sunday, December 3 rd	Local 288 Annual Christmas Party
Tuesday, December 12 th	Quarterly Meeting

Last Alarm

P	Garry Smíth September 9, 2023	
P	FR Jím Valk, CR July 17, 2023	
P	Ted Anderson November 6, 2023	

Retiring Local 288 Members 2023					
Rob Conti	January 1	Kevin Hodges	January 1		
Dave Bendia	January 1	John Howie	January 1		
Joe Elliott	January 1	Tony Piedimonte	January 1		
Craig McInnes	January 6	Brad Bates	January 21		
Michael Smith	January 30	Dave Southward	April 30		
Steve Berry	April 30	Paul McKinney	June 1		
Gary Gallant	August 20	Brett McCallum	August 1		
Dan Shea	September 27				
2024					
Andrew Stanislawczyk	January 1	Peter Maniaci	January 1		
Enio DiNardo	January 1	Rob Daiber	January 24		
Paul Ormond	February 1				

NOTICE OF MEETING Next Quarterly Meeting

Tuesday, December 12, 2023 at 10:30 am

Macassa Bay Yacht Club 80 Harbourview Dr (just off Pier 4 Park)

Doors open at 10:00 am. Come and chat with colleagues and have a coffee, courtesy of Bob Mueller, our MBYC host.

Special Speaker: Rose McAleer – Speaking about the "CRA Disability Tax Credit"

See the website to download the CRA Disability Tax Credit Form

PARKING FOR THE DECEMBER 12th QUARTERLY MEETING

No Parking in the compound. Street Parking on Harbourfront Dr (Obey the signs). Do not park in the Harbour Police lot. Overflow parking at Pier 4 Park.

OHEP SCREENING PROGRAM

The 2023/2024 Screening program has commenced

Call for an appointment for screening

For out-of-town members, LifeLabs requisition forms are available. Call Alison Moore at: 905-570-3971 or email at: amoore@ohclinic.ca to request a requisition.

All HFD Pensioners are encouraged to participate. GREAT PROGRAM

Hamilton Professional Fire Fighters Association Local 288 Annual Christmas Party

WHERE: Dave Andreychuk Mountain Arena – 25 Hester Street

WHEN: Sunday, December 3rd 3 pm to 6 pm

Come Join us for a fun filled event that includes snacks, refreshments and gift bags for all the kids

Open Skate from 3 pm to 6 pm

Balloon animals and magic show from 4 pm to 5 pm

Special Guest from the North Pole arrives at 5:30 pm

PENSIONERS: Please RSVP to Joe Labenski to Register

Phone (613) 407-0101; or Email: joe.labenski@hamiltonfirefighters.ca

GOOD & WELFARE

Wilf Elliott Wilf is being treated for Multiple Myeloma and is resting at home. He is also receiving dialysis every two days	
Paul Marchese Village of Wentworth Heights Call 905-575-4735, X8021 before visiting	
Ron Reid Ron has been moved from his residence into a special care wing of his extended care residence.	
Don Wishart Bob Simpson reports that Dons dementia is deteriorating. He is still at St Peters Behavioral Assessment Unit. If considering a visit to Don, please Call Bob Simpson first.	
Don Young Seasons Stoney Creek 8 Shoreview Place	

If you are aware of any member that is in poor health, please contact Don Alford at: dsalford37@gmail.com or, Phone: (905) 560-1963; or Chuck Wilson at: info@hamiltonfirepensioners.ca; or, Phone: (289) 260-1231

SPECIAL NOTICE

HFD PENSIONERS ASSOCIATION PRESIDENT

HFD Pensioners Association President, Mike Jackson announced at the September Quarterly Meeting, that he will be stepping down as President in 2024.

Nominations for President need to be sent to the Secretary, Larry Staples before the March 2024 quarterly meeting. If you have any questions regarding the office of President, contact Mike at

Phone: (905) 525-0153, or Email: mike.bon@cogeco.ca

2024 ASSOCIATION DUES

Dues Notices will be emailed in December to those members that have dues accounts that expire in 2024. All members that are paid in advance for one or more years will also receive an email indicating that their accounts are prepaid and do not need to submit dues in 2024.

The Executive of the Hamilton Fire Department Pensioners Association wish all of our members a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

HOME FIRE SAFETY TIPS for the HOLIDAYS

Smoke / Carbon Monoxide Detectors

· Make sure you have them and that they are working

Light Up the Night without igniting the lights

- Use only approved extension cords for the specific job
- Do not run extension cords under rugs to where they a trip hazard
- Inspect light strings/sets/extension cords before using. Discard and worn items
- Use LED candles instead of live flame candles where possible
- DO NOT OVERLOAD electrical circuits

Staying Warm

- If you must use a space heater, plug it directly into a wall outlet, not into an extension cord or power bar. Give it lots of space on all sides. Be sure to turn it off when leaving the room.
- Use a barrier to keep children and pets away from gas or wood burning fireplaces when they are in use.
- Never burn gift wrappings, boxes, cartons, or other types of packing in the fireplace

Cooking Safe

- Don't leave cooking, frying or broiling unattended
- Keep cooking surfaces clutter-free
- Order in if intoxicated instead of cooking, frying or broiling

The Tree

If using a real tree, make sure to keep it well-watered and away from sources of heat. Never
use candles on or near the tree

Please notify us at <u>info@hamiltonfirepensioners.ca</u> or Phone: (289) 260-1231 for any changes to your address, phone or email.