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PRESIDENTS MESSAGE SPRING 2025

Sunshine and warmer weather, I think we are all so happy to see this coming!

With the changing financial dynamics in the world today we will do our best to continue to provide quality events doing our best to limit cost increases.

This newsletter will include registration for the Fish Fry and our AGM/VPP events. These are two of our best attended events.

In order to continue to provide these events we have a real need for more members to step up and join our Committee. Please consider this opportunity and complete the Volunteer Request Form in the newsletter. Bring your ideas and we will work with you to do our best to include them as future events.

The Annuitants Clubs Presidents Network has provided a list for Annuitants "Who are you going to call? These documents are included in the newsletter to provide contact details for your specific questions and concerns.

The Vancouver Annuitants Club, based on the success of their Alaska Cruise is planning a European Cruise in September 2026. See details inside.

A huge event for the community is the Age Friendly Expo on May 7, 2025 at the Point Edward Arena. See poster in the newsletter providing details.

Its' membership renewal time. Please see details on how to renew. Deadline is May 31, 2025 so the Club can ensure a subsidy for you as a member.

I would like to thank our membership for the support you have provided to our Club and myself over the past four years. I assure you all that you will be provided excellent leadership from Greg Robbins.

Looking forward to seeing you at our upcoming events.

Regards, Tim Mondoux

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Did you know that . . .

We have a wonderfully healthy and active club!

As of this past planning committee meeting, we now have **378** members.

Three of our members passed away since our last planning meeting.

Kudos to all of our members for helping to make our club healthy.

Upcoming events

Hold the dates!	
April 24	Fish fry at the Camlachie community center
April 16, May 14	Sarnia Concert Association. More details to come.
June 19	VPP/Annual General Meeting
September 18	Golf day
November 27	Christmas dinner and dance

Why do we say tuna fish sandwich?

No one says chicken bird sandwich?

I wonder what all the people who type 'u' for you do with all their free time?

Alligators can live up to 100 years, which is why there is an increased chance that they will see you later!

Member News & Information

Has Anything Changed?

Help us to keep our club records up to date.

Do you have a new address, phone number or e mail address?

Send the new information to:

Carol Barnes
307 Tawny Rd
Sarnia, ON, N7S 5K1
Phone: 519 542-6159
E-mail: md.sleac@gmail.com

Keep us up to date

When words are hard to say, sometimes a card is the best way to reach out.

Outreach cards for sympathy and illness can be sent to members or family.

Please forward this information to Sharon Sharp, 519 383 7578,

email ssharp1015@gmail.com

so that cards may be sent in a timely manner. Thank you

Web site

Our web site is running and reliable thanks to Ric Cudmore! On the web site are links to photographs, events and other information.

<http://sleacweb.ca>

Future Event Registrations

Cheques must not be dated any later than the cutoff date for an event. Cheques dated for day of event will not be accepted.

Transportation and accessibility

Please note that registrations for our events will include a line that you can fill in if transportation is needed or if you can provide a ride to the event. The committee members organizing that event will make an effort to link those that need a ride and those who can provide one.

For all of us, please remember to watch out for each other and offer assistance if needed to members with restricted mobility preferred accessibility.

President:	Tim Mondoux	519-330-8713
Vice president:	Greg Robbins	519-869-6400
Past president:	Larry Western	519-542-9481
Secretary/Outreach:	Sharon Sharp	519-383-7578
Treasurer:	Ric Cudmore	519-331-1583
Membership:	Carol Barnes	519 542-6159
Webmaster	Ric Cudmore	519-331-1583
Communications:	Jim Snyder	519-330-4195
Event Planning	Sam Donato	519-402-2759
and communications	Ralph Henry	519-383-0156
	Ron Pask	519 331-7285
	Hilda Feimer	519-312-5132
	Pam Snyder	519-786-6374

Our next planning committee meeting is on Thursday, June 26, 2025, 10 am to 12 pm

Our web site is <http://sleacweb.ca>



Tim Mondoux



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Sam Donato



Carol Barnes



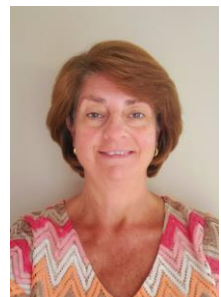
Jim and Pam Snyder



Ralph Henry



Ron Pask



Hilda Feimer

Time to Renew Your Membership

Please remember to notify us of any changes to your address, telephone number or email address at md.sleac@gmail.com or 519-542-6159

Please submit your dues by May 31. This will enable the club to receive the corporate subsidy for your membership and for you to be eligible for membership pricing at upcoming events.

If you do not pay your dues by June 1 you will have to pay the guest price for all events during the next club fiscal year (June 1 – May 31).

The corporate subsidy is only paid for members who have participated in at least one event during the past club fiscal year AND have paid their membership dues for the upcoming fiscal year.

For your convenience, you can pay your membership dues of \$10 per person online. Using the link on the SLEAC website, you can select to E-transfer from your bank account.

If you choose E-transfer to pay your dues, please use md.sleac@gmail.com as the recipient email. Additional instructions are available on the website if needed.

“Note that there are 2 different email accounts to use for E-transfers, one for membership dues and one for event registrations.

Also, please enter the member’s name(s) & indicate it is Membership Renewal in the message section when sending the e-transfer.

It is still possible to mail in your membership form with a cheque.

On the following page is the paper form for updating your membership when paying with a cheque.

Below is the link to SLEAC website to find the Membership Form and E-transfer instructions:

<https://sleacweb.ca/membership-registration-renewal/>

SLEAC Membership Renewal Form 2024-2025

Return this completed page with your membership payment

Annual membership fees **are due by May 31 each year** for the club fiscal year that runs June 1 to May 31

Mail the form below and your cheque to:

Carol Barnes

Phone: 519-542-6159

307 Tawny Rd

E-mail: md.sleac@gmail.com

Sarnia, Ontario N7S 5K1

To make the processing of your membership payment more efficient, please

Make your cheque payable to SLEAC

Include your current e-mail address on the form

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Membership Renewal Information

Membership Year: June 1, 2024 - May 31, 2025

(Please complete **all sections** of the form so that we can ensure our records are correct)

Renewal _____ New Member _____

Annuitant Name:

(first name commonly used)

Spouse / Partner Name:

(first name commonly used)

Address:

Phone number:

E-mail:

How would you like to receive the Club newsletter?

The club strongly suggests receiving your newsletter by email to save on mailing costs

I would like to receive the newsletter by E-mail _____ or regular mail _____

Membership dues: _____ memberships @ \$10/person = Total \$ _____

New Members Only: Employee (PERNR) # or Benefits (BN) #: _____

New Members Only: Full name including middle initial: _____

New Members Only: Date of Retirement: _____

You may also sign up for the Annual General Meeting using E-transfer

Instructions

From your Bank/Credit Union Online Application. Send an ETransfer to events.sleac@gmail.com

1. The first time you do this you will need to set up a Recipient.
2. Once that is done you select the Recipient.
3. Fill in the appropriate amount for your participants.
 - SLEAC member \$45 (Dinner only \$16)
 - SLEAC guest \$90 (Dinner Only \$32)
1. In the Message Section enter AGM and the Attendees Names
2. Indicate if there are any dietary Restrictions.
3. Indicate if you require or could provide a ride to the event.
4. Follow instructions to complete the Etransfer.

Note: Please turn on AUTODEPOSIT !!!!!

Event Coordinator

Tim Mondoux E-mail: events.sleac@gmail.com

Spring Event	Fish Fry
Event Coordinators	Sam Donato, Ralph Henry
Event location	Camlachie Community Center
Event date	Thursday April 24, 2025
Times: 4 pm - 5 pm 5 pm - 8 pm	Social Hour Dinner
Menu	Pickerel, salads, beans, buns and pie for dessert For non-fish lovers we will have ham & mixed vegetables
Type of Activity	Social / Dinner
50/50 draw charity	Neighbour Link
Food collection	River City Vineyard
Cost per member	\$ 20
Cost per guest	\$ 40
Cut-off date for registration	April 15, 2025
Registration: Please follow the instructions to register using the new format. FYI Please send your registration to events.sleac@gmail.com	<p>You may also sign up for the Fish Fry using E-transfer from your Online Banking Application</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Find Interac, E-transfer, Send Cheque with registration page. 2. E-transfer - Add a Recipient using: events.sleac@gmail.com as the Email Address (This is done only once). 3 Fill out the Form for 1 or 2 attendees. 4. In the Message section enter the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Attendees Names o Event Name (Fish Fry) 5. Also make note If there are any Special Meal Requirements (i.e., Celiac Gluten Free, Food Allergies etc.) 6. Send It. <p>**Please check in at the door to have your attendance recorded.</p>
<p>MAIL IN REGISTRATION with cheque to SLEAC Sam Donato 759 Manor Park Cres Sarnia ON N7S 4W7 Deadline to Register is April 15, 2025. Member cost is \$20, Guest cost is \$40</p> <p>Name _____ Spouse _____ Total Amount \$ _____ Any special meal requirements?</p>	

Esso Annuitant Cruise 2026 March, 2025

Dear Esso Annuitant.

We hope you can join us on this exciting opportunity for an Esso Annuitant cruise to Europe in September 2026. Book now to get your cabin before it's too late!

We already have over 55 cabins booked aboard the Celebrity Apex for a 14-night cruise departing Southampton, England from September 12-26, 2026 and it's going to be fabulous. Current pricing in Canadian dollars have been extended until April, too!

The cruise will call on Seville (Cadiz), the island of Sardinia, Rome (Civitavecchia), Florence/Pisa/Cinque Terre (La Spezia), Nice (Villefranche), Barcelona, and La Coruna, Spain. For more information on the cruise itinerary visit the attached link:
<https://tinyurl.com/Esso-Cruise-2026>

This cruise is open to all Esso Annuitants, as well as family and friends. Working with Expedia Cruises, we have approximately 40 cabins remaining in our block of 100 cabins aboard the Celebrity Apex, one of its newest ships (commissioned in 2020) that holds approximately 2,900 passengers and features some of the latest innovations in cruising.

Cabins are available on a first-come, first serve basis as follows:

\$12,054cad per cabin for an unobstructed infinite ocean view verandah cabin

This includes the Classic Beverage package, basic WIFI and taxes.

Gratuities can be prepaid if you like for approximately 20cad per person per day.

For those that may be more budget conscious there are a limited number of ocean-view no balcony cabins available at \$10,877cad total.

As noted above, daily gratuities are additional to the above prices.

There is a \$500 cad discount available for solo travelers off the above pricing.

To book, a deposit of \$1160 cad is required within a week of booking. This can be done by contacting Heather Smyth at hsmyth@expediacruz.com or (604) 341-0490. Final payment is due in May 2026.

In conjunction with the cruise, Heather will also be happy to assist with London hotel bookings (recommending the Park Plaza Westminster Bridge Hotel) and transportation to and from Southampton.

Some Frequently Asked Questions:

Will there be special activities for Esso Annuitants?

This is one of the most important aspects of the cruise and one of the areas which made our Alaska cruise so successful. Annuitants from across the country enjoyed sharing their current and past experiences with friends and new acquaintances. There is a common bond among Esso retirees in the calibre and class they present themselves and we want to enable more opportunities to build new friendships while renewing old ones. With 4 themed dining rooms, the Apex will allow us the opportunity to meet, mingle and dine with others in Esso reserved areas on the days we are at sea. In addition, we will be able to provide daily updates on informal get togethers and activities on the ship, like afternoon trivia, meeting at the martini bar, or an afternoon social.

What if I won't be able to travel and I have to cancel my cruise for September 2026?

The deposit, less a \$150 service fee per person, would be refunded to you if you cancel by April, 2026. However, by booking early you are able to take full advantage of early discounts as well as any special promotions on excursions.

Should you have any more questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at jimn09@gmail.com

Best regards, Jim Noel



Age-Friendly Expo 2025

Sponsored by:  Wellings®
OF CORUNNA
55+ Carefreedom Living™

Wellness Village

Explore the
Path to
Wellbeing



Empower yourself to take an active role in your wellbeing
at every age and stage!
Explore exhibits and activities designed to promote
physical, mental, and social wellness!

WEDNESDAY MAY 7	TIME 9AM-6PM	Point Edward Arena
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NEW!

- Youth Engagement
- Entertainment & Interactions

**Free Admission
and Treats**

**Over 100 Exhibitors
Resources & Supports**

Giveaways & Swag

For more information or to volunteer at the event, visit:
www.agefriendlyarnialambton.ca
agefriendlyarnialambton@gmail.com

Sarnia-Lambton Esso Annuitants Club (SLEAC)

Volunteers Needed

As an ESSO annuitant or annuitant partner, I enjoy the communications I receive from my annuitant's club and enjoy attending the various events that are organized by the club during the year.

It is good to be able to keep in touch with past co-workers and maintain friendships. I appreciate the amount of volunteer work that goes into organizing and conducting these events and would like to offer my assistance.

I would be willing to:

Become a member of the SLEAC board.

Assist in the planning and organizing of one or more events during the year.

Assist at one or more of the organized events.

Receive more information about the SLEAC board and the work that they do.

Name: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____

I am particularly interested in volunteering for the following type of activity:

Forward to: events.sleac@gmail.com

Thank you,
SLEAC Executive

Who are you going to call?



Please use the following table to identify the appropriate contact for making updates, confirming coverage or handling your specific questions and concerns. Contact details are provided throughout the document.

What do I need to do?	Contact
General	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Update personal contact information, including bank account data, email and address changes Report an annuitant / survivor / dependent death or other life events Review/confirm or change (if permitted) benefits coverage Update dependent or beneficiary information 	Your Total Rewards portal (digital.alight.com/iolemcc) or Pension & Benefits Centre at 1-855-722-0355
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Help with: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> PIN and/or password for accessing Your Total Rewards Your Total Rewards mobile application Reporting a death of annuitant and / or dependent 	Contact Pension & Benefits Centre at 1-855-722-0355 / +1-872-763-2347 (outside Canada), between 10 a.m. and 6 p.m. ET, Monday through Friday.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Request a verification of employment letter 	Create a Help Request ticket at Your Total Rewards portal (digital.alight.com/iolemcc) or call the Pension & Benefits Centre at 1-855-722-0355
Pension	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Inquire about amount of pension, adjustments, corrections, etc. Inquire about pension payroll matters and tax withholding. 	Create a Help Request ticket at Your Total Rewards portal (digital.alight.com/iolemcc) or call the Pension & Benefits Centre at 1-855-722-0355
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Defined Contributions (DC) pension account disposition (only for ExxonMobil retirees with historic DC pension accounts not yet closed out) 	Sun Life Web portal (mysunlife.ca) or 1-866-896-6976
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Enquiries regarding your T4A slip from 2024 onwards 	Create a Help Request ticket at Alight's YTR portal or call the P&B Centre
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pay statements and tax slips requests prior to 2024 	Contact Payroll mailbox: canada.payroll.assistance@exxonmobil.com

Who are you going to call?

What do I need to do?	Contact
Health and Dental	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clarify coverage details, eligibility rules, coordination-of-benefits protocols • Confirm status of specific claims; request review/explanation of claim denials • Obtain information about prescription drug formulary (coverage and alternatives) • Verify eyeglass or dental recall exam eligibility dates • Print/obtain personalized claim forms • Request a prescription drug card • Submit a health and/or dental claim 	<p>Sun Life Web portal (mysunlife.ca) or 1-866-896-6976</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Complete annual re-enrollment and ask any related questions re options/costs • Questions regarding pension payroll benefit deductions or taxable benefits associated with benefits coverage • Direct Billing of benefits premiums 	<p>Contact Pension & Benefits Centre at 1-855-722-0355 / +1-872-763-2347 (outside Canada), between 10 a.m. and 6 p.m. ET, Monday through Friday</p>
<p>Out-of-province or out-of-country coverage:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Initiate support; specific claims questions and follow-ups for out-of-province or out-of-country coverage. 	<p>Global Excel Management (GEM). In the US and Canada: 1-800-511-4610 Elsewhere, call collect: 1-519-514-0351 Fax: 1-509-514-0374</p>
Life Insurance coverage	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clarify coverage, verify/change beneficiaries • File claims (or for estates to make claims) 	<p>Create a Help Request ticket at Your Total Rewards portal (digital.alight.com/iolmc) or call the Pension and Benefits Centre at 1-855-722-0355</p>

Who are you going to call?



What do I need to do?	Contact
Escalations	
Pension & Benefits Centre phone call <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Escalate a phone call which was not responded in the expected timeline or with a satisfactory resolution 	Call the Pension and Benefits Centre back and request the item to be researched further as no solution was provided. Request to get a call back from the customer care supervisor so the caller can be explicit on the concern and services received.
Pension & Benefits Centre Ticket in Your Total Rewards portal <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Escalate a ticket which was not responded in the expected timeline or with a satisfactory resolution 	Reply to the ticket that you need to escalate with the subject URGENT/ESCALATION and clearly state the concern/question
Sun Life <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Escalate a phone call or Sun Life website inquiry where the response was not provided or resolution is not satisfactory 	Call Sun Life Centre back and request the item to be researched further as no solution was provided. Request to be redirected to Resolution Case Manager so the caller can be explicit on the concern and services received.
Sun Life website <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Escalate through the chat box interaction where the response was not provided or resolution is not satisfactory directly through the chat box 	Through the Chat box on the website, members can request a call back through the Chat feature.
Others	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Annuitant Club Enrollment 	Complete the "Annuitant Club Membership Application" form in the "Forms and Materials" section and create a Help Request ticket at Your Total Rewards portal to submit completed form
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Higher Education Awards 	Universities Canada (UC) 613-563-1236, ext. 203, or toll-free 1-866-848-7299 E-mail to awards@univcan.ca

In memory of Don Roberts



On a sad note, Don Roberts passed away from a sudden illness on March 6, 2025. Don's passing will be greatly missed as he was always willing to assist family, friends and neighbours. He was an active Shriner and very involved in helping children and families in need. Our committee will miss his unique sense of humour and contribution to all of our events. I hope when you think of Don it will bring a smile to your face. Rest easy Don.

The SLEAC Committee has made a donation to the Lambton Shrine Club in memory of Don Roberts.