

Hilarious Tony Award-Winning Play Highlights February Event

Twenty-eight Retiree Club members and guests travelled by school bus February 10 to the Herongate Barn Theatre for a delicious lunch and a performance of Neil Simon's "Prisoner of Second Avenue". An additional 10 participants drove themselves and joined the group at the theatre.

The story is about the escalating problems encountered by a middle-aged couple who live on Second Avenue in New York City. He has lost his job, there is an intense summer heat wave and a garbage strike, he and his wife have to deal with noisy neighbours and even a robbery of their apartment. He suffers a nervous breakdown but his wife, brother and three sisters bring him back to reality.

The black comedy, with its many laughs, opened on Broadway in 1971 and starred Peter Falk and Lee Grant. It won the 1972 Tony Award for best play. A film version starred Jack Lemmon and Anne Bancroft.

Lunch at Herongate consisted of a variety of salads, four different entrees and multiple desserts. Credit for this very successful event, which drew many complimentary comments from

the participants, goes to Social Committee Secretary **ADEL SHEARER**, who also provided each participant with Lindt truffles in recognition of Valentine's Day.

Participating in this event were: Nives Re, Wally and Anne Wagner, Stan and Dorothy Pikul, Ben and Pat Greenaway, Ralph Parker and Veda Lindsay, Colin and Audrey Randall-Smith, Bill and Gloria Seeley, Al and Adel Shearer, Jean and Jean MacRae, Joyce Bennett, Maureen Telford, Audrey Sedgley, Sheila Sidlo and Eileen Archer, Mary Williams, Ruby Delbeek, Helen Bartlett, Bill and Enid Wilson, Dorothy Adams, Lil Turner, Stan (Dorothy's nephew) and Mary Janes, Joan Baker, Audrey Dean, Kaye Bradford, Evangelia Romas, Helen Terzis, and Chris and Jackie Street.

Social Committee Has Ten Events Planned For This Year

Your hard-working Social Committee, without whom there would be no Retiree Club, has worked diligently to plan and

organize 10 social events for 2013. The first of these was held February 10 (see lead story). Next is the very popular Toronto Northern Lights concert taking place Saturday, March 16 (see registration flyer attached). This event is almost sold out so, if you want to participate, you'd better act now.

In April and May the Committee will offer Famous People Players (Tuesday, April 16) and the Spring Roundup banquet is planned for Monday, May 27 (registration flyer in March newsletter).

For June, your Committee is looking into the possibility of a cruise of Stoney Lake with lunch at Viamede Inn. July 26 we will return to Woodbine Racetrack for A Day at the Races. The annual golf tournament will be held Thursday, August 15..

In September we'll enjoy our Fall Banquet, the date to be announced later. On Tuesday, October 15, we will travel to the Rockway Country Club for lunch and then go to the Festival Theatre in Niagara-on-the-Lake for a performance of "Guys and Dolls" at the Shaw Festival. The final event will probably be a performance of the stunning stage presentation of "White Christmas" at the Country Playhouse in St. Jacobs, November 20.

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Make your newsletter more fun by sending your contributions. Don't worry about writing ability. Just send your stuff. We'll do the rest.

We Heard From...

In the last issue of the newsletter, we listed those who had sent Christmas cards to the Retiree Club. The following missed the publication date:

SHEILA SIDLO's card said: "To the great people at the Honeywell Retiree Club. 'Annie' was terrific. Always an excellent show at St. Jacobs. Thank you."

AUDREY SEDGLEY's card said: "I would like to thank you for the magnificent job you do in arranging all the outings each month. We all know it doesn't just happen. It takes a lot of work and time on your part. It is so much appreciated."

BETTY DOUGLAS's card said: "Greetings from Haliburton. Many thanks for all effort everyone puts into our outings."

One of our \$100 winners, **BRUCE GIBBON**, sent an e-mail which said:

"I was pleasantly surprised to read that we have won one of your 'early bird' draws. What a great way to start the day and many thanks. Given our distance from Toronto (Seguin Township near Parry Sound), we don't get to attend many events but do appreciate receiving the newsletter and keeping up-to-date that way.

"Being a proud member of the local municipal council, please allow me to indulge in a little shameless promotion of our Township and advise that we don't actually live in Parry Sound as you indicated but are residents of Seguin Township. Seguin is in

the heart of cottage country, nestled between the north end of Muskoka and south of the town of Parry Sound. Canada Post recently eliminated the rural route designation in this area. Keep up the good work!"

Our other \$100 winner, **BERNIE DAOUST**, sent an e-mail which reads:

"Well what a nice surprise. Thank you very much for the \$100 cheque.

Régine and I golf five days a week in summertime. I shovel

snow in the winter. We will go south in February and go to Lake George and Saratoga Springs race course in August. Best regards to Jack, Bill, Gord, Dave, etc. Again thank you very much.

From Peterborough, **BRUCE BARRY** sent this e-mail:

"**JIM HARPER**'s submission (in the last newsletter) of the 1958 Quarter Century minutes brought back memories and I certainly knew them all.

"Among Don Grant's many hats (see We Heard From on Page 3)



*This photograph appeared in the last issue of the newsletter. We asked if you could identify any of those in the picture. The response was overwhelming. Two persons (that's two!) responded. **JACK WEBSTER** identified Bob Bertram (front row, extreme right), Ivor Brawley (back row, fourth from left), George Davison (back row, extreme right) and Frank Kennedy (middle row, second from right). **STU GIFFIN** identified his late mother-in-law, then Agnes McDonald (later Millward) who married George Millward who also worked at Honeywell for a while. Agnes is in the middle row on Santa's left. Also in the picture are **JOHN MCKENNA** (back row, extreme left), **GLEN LANGFORD** (middle row, extreme left), Betty Surgeoner (next to Glen), **HELEN MCKENNA** (front row, second from right), and **AL SHEARER**, the year he joined Honeywell (front row, extreme left). Your editor is very disappointed no one recognized him.*

(We Heard From...from Page 2)
was Personnel Manager when he hired me November 1946 for the Brown Instrument Division (later changed to the Industrial Division) and our business cards all said Brown Instruments.

“W.D. Brown was our manager. The group attending the meeting (1958 Quarter Century Club) was the foundation of Honeywell Canada.”

An e-mail from **MARGARET MATHIES** reads:

“Marg and Art Mathies (Art, who used to sell computers for HIS, and Margaret, who was an editor for the ‘Communicator’ and an administrative assistant), attended the play ‘Annie’ in St. Jacobs. We joined everyone for the luncheon. We live in London now and found our own way to join up with our Honeywell friends. Kind regards.”

From Duncan, B.C., **LIONEL LAVIOLETTE** sends the following e-mail:

“The newsletter is great. Some names are familiar to me but only a few. I worked in sales in the then Residential Division in Winnipeg and Montreal. I left and moved to Toronto and my Honeywell career was ended.

“Years later I moved to California and, through a stroke of luck, I was offered a position as specialist in boiler/burner controls for the State of California. The time in between these two is too laborious to relate and, besides, who cares?”

“The point is I retired with

Honeywell in California with a combined 20 years and decided to move back to Canada and I joined the Retiree Club and re-established a number of Honeywell contacts. I see names in the newsletter sometimes and am wondering if I can get e-mail addresses. I would like them to know I am still alive and to congratulate them also for having survived this long.”

Editor’s Note: The Retiree Club will not give out e-mail addresses without asking for permission. Lionel’s request has been passed on.

Ed Maste, who arranges get-togethers for former members of Honeywell Information Systems/Honeywell Bull, sent the following message:

“In December I received an early Christmas present. After a year of visits to a large number of different doctors, an operation, chemotherapy, combined radiation and chemotherapy, and then three more sessions of heavy chemotherapy, I was told by my two oncologists that they didn’t want to see me for six months since they declared me cancer-free.

“The positive of the year was the people I met involved in my treatment, from home care to the people at the Durham Cancer Centre (DCC), to those in radiation. They were all extremely supportive and surprisingly always upbeat.

“I was really surprised when Ajax Pickering Hospital called

around 9:30 am one day to see if I could come in for an MRI at 12:30 the same day. Apparently, the surgeon had gone to the MRI department personally to ask if they could to an MRI ASAP. I went in for an x-ray at 11:30 am and had the MRI at 12:30 pm. No six month wait, thanks to the surgeon.

“I received a lot of comments from the staff at DCC on my humorous t-shirt which I wore a couple of times to the Centre. It stated: ‘I intend to live forever. So far, so good.’ May you all have a great 2013.”

Retirement Times is indebted to Social Committee member **BILL SEELEY** bringing to our attention information on the women’s ice hockey program at Quinnipiac University. Quinnipiac is located in Hamden, Connecticut and Bill and Gloria’s son, Rick, is head coach of the Bobcats. In his fifth season as head coach, Rick has led the Bobcats to three consecutive winning seasons against such notable opponents as Princeton, Harvard, Yale and Boston College.

Rick Seeley played hockey with Thornhill rep. teams, Richmond Hill Junior B and Elmira Division 3 hockey in the U.S.

Included in the media guide for Quinnipiac hockey, is a list of the player profiles for the current Bobcats team. Of the 23 players, 10 are from Canada.

Honeywell News

Honeywell Chairman and CEO
(see Honeywell on Page 4)

(Honeywell from Page 3)

Dave Cote ranked Number Six in the NJBIZ (a New Jersey business magazine) "Power 100" for 2012. Cote was recognized for his business influence within the State of New Jersey as well as in Washington, DC, where he served as an authority on fiscal responsibility and reform. The previous year he ranked Number Forty-One.

Honeywell recently announced its 2012 full-year earnings. Sales were \$37.7 billion, a 3% increase over 2011.

"Honeywell had another year of terrific performance in 2012," said Chairman and CEO Dave Cote. "In a weak global economy, we grew sales 3% and earnings by 11% while expanding margins to record levels and continuing to generate strong cash flow."

Honeywell Aerospace announced that its Reaction Wheel Assemblies (RWAs) for satellites, which are designed to control the momentum of satellites in orbit, have totaled more than 100 million flight hours. In the more than 40 years Honeywell has created innovative products for satellites, such as RWAs, no Honeywell RWA has ever caused a satellite to fall or abort a mission.

Currently Honeywell has more than 1,000 RWAs in orbiting satellites with many satellites staying operational beyond their originally intended mission length due to Honeywell products.

A Gentle Chuckle

On the first day, he sadly packed

his belongings into boxes and suitcases. On the second day, he had the movers come and collect his things. On the third day, he sat down for the last time at their beautiful dining room table. He put on some soft music and, by candlelight, feasted on a pound of shrimp, a jar of caviar and a glass of wine.

When he'd finished, he went into each room and deposited a few half-eaten shrimp dipped in caviar into the hollow centre of every curtain rod. He then cleaned up the kitchen and left.

On the fourth day, his ex wife came back with her new boyfriend, and at first everything was bliss. Then, slowly, the house began to smell. They tried everything. Nothing worked.

People stopped coming to visit. The maid quit. Finally, they couldn't take the stench any longer and decided they had to move out. But a month later,

even though they'd cut their price in half they couldn't find a buyer. In desperation, they borrowed a huge sum of money to buy a new place.

Then the ex called and asked how things were going. She told him the saga. He listened politely and said he missed the old home and would be willing to take the house if she would eliminate the divorce settlement. She agreed on a price which was only one-tenth of its worth but only if he would sign the papers that day.

He agreed, and within two hours her lawyer delivered the paperwork. A week later, the woman and her boyfriend stood smiling as they watched the moving company pack everything to take to their new home.

And, to spite the ex-husband, they even took the curtain rods!

I love a happy ending. Don't you?



Here's another blast from the past. Not sure what the occasion was (it may have been a long-service award presentation) but the date was September 25, 1975. How many of those pictured can you identify? Your editor is able to put names to 15 of the faces shown.

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The Honeywell Retiree Club Presents
Toronto Northern Lights
Saturday, March 16, 2013

\$53 per person includes the bus, lunch, the concert and all taxes and gratuities
Convener—Bill Seeley (416) 730-0572 Cell (416) 508-8604

Toronto Northern Lights is a not-for-profit A Cappella chorus of approximately 45 men who specialize in barbershop harmony and also enjoy singing music from a wide range of musical styles and genres. The group produces two of its own shows each year, and performs in many other concerts, music festivals, business conferences and fundraising and community events. Competing against other choruses both in Ontario and throughout the world, Toronto Northern Lights is proud to be ranked among the top choruses in the world, having won five consecutive second place medals and two third place bronze in the last nine years. Much of their music is in the style of the old songs (circa 1890-1920) but many contemporary songs, from swing to jazz to pop, have been arranged to create an exciting blend of old and new.

Our bus will leave the Honeywell Enterprise parking lot at 11:15 am sharp for a trip to the Old Spaghetti Factory on the Esplanade. Lunch will be at 12:00 pm. After a leisurely lunch, we'll re-board the bus for the short trip to the Jane Mallett Theatre on Front Street.

Registration/Cancellation Deadline is Wednesday, March 6, 2013

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Please reserve a space for me/us for Toronto Northern Lights, Saturday, March 16, 2013

SURNAME _____ FIRST NAME _____

PHONE () _____ SPOUSE/GUEST _____

CHEQUE ENCLOSED FOR ___ TICKETS AT \$53 EACH. TOTAL \$ _____

If you need assistance (wheelchair, special seating, transportation, etc) check here

Don't forget to mark the name of the event on your cheque and please don't postdate

Mail to: Honeywell Retiree Club, 85 Enterprise Blvd., Suite 100,
Markham, ON L6G 0B5

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But, if you are going to be a passenger in someone else's car, please let us know here

The Honeywell Retiree Club Presents
“UNDER THE BIG TOP”

WITH THE FAMOUS PEOPLE PLAYERS

Tuesday, April 16, 2013

\$50 per person includes transportation, lunch, show, all taxes and gratuities

Convener—Greg Smith 416 494-3107

Join an inspiration-filled journey of exquisite dining and sensational shows. This internationally-renowned black-light theatre company has become a proud Canadian treasure. The performances include exceptional achievements from those who have dared to believe in themselves.

In three acts, feel the magic all around you. ACT 1, sumptuous dining with boneless Chicken Supreme or optional vegetarian stir-fry. ACT 2, the one-hour performance celebrates famous people with a charming combination of long-loved music, dance, and electrifying special effects. ACT 3, a sweet encore. Some of the performers will help serve dessert prepared by a Dufflet pastry chef. A perfectly sweet ending to an enchanting event.

Our bus will leave the Honeywell parking lot (see map on reverse side) at 11:00 am and return at approximately 3:30 pm. Famous People Players’ new location is wheelchair accessible on one floor, however mobility aids would have to be stored between school bus seats.

Registration/Cancellation Deadline is Tuesday, April 2, 2013

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Please reserve space for me/us for Famous People Players, Tuesday, April 16, 2013

SURNAME _____ FIRST NAME _____ chicken veg.

PHONE () _____ SECOND PERSON _____ chicken veg.

Cheque enclosed for _____ tickets at \$50 each = \$ _____

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