

Chapter 73 Newsletter for Spring 2016

Spring 2016 Meeting and Luncheon

Our Spring 2016 meeting and luncheon will be held on Saturday, April 30, 2016 in the Conservation Hall (at the east end of the building) of the Mohawk Chop House and Conference Centre (Mohawk Inn) located at the northwest corner of Campbellville Road and Highway 401. Coffee/tea and cookies will be available starting at 9 AM. The price for the luncheon is \$25 for members and member's XYL's and \$30 for non-members and is non-refundable for no shows. We have to confirm with the staff the total number of attendees four days before our meeting and only ten "walk-ins", at a price of \$30 per "walk-in" will be allowed after the cutoff date. The lunch this year will be buffet style. Please get your money in to Jean by April 25, 2016. Contributions to the scholarship fund are encouraged and prize donations are always welcomed.

(<http://www.mohawkinn.com/location.html>)

President's Report

Our Fall Meeting was held on Saturday, October 24, 2015 at the Mohawk Inn. It was an honour to have our very own Chapter members Harold Braun, VE3CD, and Ron Gimbel, VE3DBD as our guest speakers at this meeting. Harold and Ron worked in partnership with Barry Lisoweski, VE3ISX, of Hamilton, and their presentation included a live demo of "Remote Control for a Ham Radio Station". Special thanks to Harold, Ron, and Barry from everyone in the Fred Hammond, Chapter 73, QCWA, for sharing your expertise with us!



Harold Braun-VE3CD & Ron Gimbel-VE3DBD

I'm looking forward to seeing everyone at our April 30, 2016 meeting at the Mohawk Inn. Harold Braun has invited Frank Monteith, VA3FJM, of Kitchener to be our guest speaker at our Spring 2016 Meeting. Frank will speak on the topic of LED (light - emitting diode) technology. Frank was employed in designing and manufacturing LEDs and will bring along an impressive display of various LED products. Please bring your questions on the latest developments of LED products! We are also pleased to announce that our very own Chapter 73 member Larry Asp, VE3RF will be bringing another artifact from the collection at the Hammond Museum of Radio. We are all fortunate that Larry always brings one or two artifacts that are on display at the Hammond Museum of Radio and enthralls us with an explanation of the history of the artifacts. At our Fall 2015 meeting Larry brought along two antique portable radios that were produced by Zenith Radio. The **Trans-Oceanic** (abbreviated **T/O**) was the name given to a series of portable radios produced from 1942 to 1981 by Zenith Radio, <http://www.oldradiozone.com/zenith.html>. They were characterized by their heavy-duty, high-quality construction and their performance as shortwave receivers.

(Reference: <https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Trans-Oceanic>)



Larry Asp, VE3RF

Thank you to everyone who responded promptly to our Chapter 73 E-blast survey about our Spring/Fall Luncheons.

There were 26 chapter members who completed Part 1 of the survey and there were 21 chapter members who completed Part 2 of the survey. From the survey it appears that everyone who responded seemed to be happy with the location for our meetings and with the meal. However, some of our members did not think that a salad was important to have with the lunch menu and some of our members did not think that a dessert was important to have with the lunch menu. Most of our members seemed to think that the price of the meal was "just right". In an effort to meet the needs of our Chapter 73 members and to lower the cost of our luncheon I talked with the Events Coordinator at the Mohawk Inn and we have been offered a bundle price for a buffet menu that includes, salad, roast beef **or** chicken, vegetables, mashed potatoes, gravy, and apple crumble (my favourite) for dessert. The bundle menu also includes coffee/tea (throughout the meeting) and cookies on platters for snacks!

Mary Card, VE3FEB, President

Financial Update

Fred Hammond, Chapter 73, QCWA

Bank Balance

September 21, 2015 \$6,228.24

INCOME

Luncheon \$1,341.00

& Memberships

& Scholarship Donations

National Dues 46.00

Scholarship 2,020.00

(\$1000 + \$20 + \$1000)

National Dues 96.00

\$3,503.00

EXPENSES

Supplies \$ 104.89

Luncheon 136.00

(\$736 - \$300 - \$300)

Scholarship Cheque 500.00

Executive Meeting 99.72

Bank Charges 23.76

\$ 864.37

Bank Balance

March 21, 2016 \$8,866.87

Jean Gimbel, VE3CBQ

Secretary-Treasurer

Hammond Museum of Radio

The Hammond Museum of Radio which is located at 595 Southgate Drive, Guelph, Ontario is open Monday to Friday from 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM. The curator and volunteers are usually there on Thursdays. Please check out the web site:

<http://www.hammondmuseumofradio.org>.

The Hammond Museum of Radio would welcome volunteers from Chapter 73 to help out at the museum. If you would like to learn more about this volunteer opportunity or to be trained to volunteer at the museum, please contact Mrs. Noreen Irwin-Hann, VE3AQZ, by phone at 519-822-2960, ext 252 or by email at nirwin@hammfg.com. The staff at the museum thanks everyone for their very generous donations in the past but would like everyone to know that donations are not being accepted at the museum at the current time.

Harold Braun, VE3CD Awards Chair

2016 Scholarship Report

Our scholarship program, which continues to honour the memory of the Silent Keys of our Chapter, is now in its twelfth year! This year we are, once again, supporting our deserving and grateful Fred Hammond, Chapter 73, QCWA 2015 Scholarship recipients who are pursuing their studies at the postsecondary level. Our scholarship recipients are very appreciative of the financial support from our Chapter members, and Rob Hammond and Hammond Manufacturing. On behalf of our 2015 Fred Hammond, Chapter 73, QCWA scholarship recipients, special thanks to our chapter members and to Rob Hammond and Hammond Manufacturing, for your generosity and for your ongoing support of our scholarship program. Students from across Canada who are entering any year of postsecondary education can apply for one of our Chapter Scholarships. If you know any deserving students, please encourage them to apply for one of our **three** 2016 Fred Hammond, Chapter 73, QCWA scholarships. The 2016 scholarship application is now posted on our website, www.qcwa.ca. Scholarship applications should be submitted by email to Mary Card at mary.card@gmail.com by April 25, 2016.

Mary Card, VE3FEB, President Chair, Scholarship Committee

Awards Chair Report

The QCWA Anniversary of Licensing Certificates and the QCWA Century Club Certificates will be presented at our Spring Meeting that will be held on April 30, 2016. Century Club certificates are issued to QCWA members whose age, when added to their number of years as a QCWA member totals 100 or more. The following amateur radio operators qualify for QCWA Certificates this year. QCWA Certificates will only be issued by Headquarters to Life members or to members whose memberships are up to date. (Note: This is QCWA Headquarters policy and is not a Chapter 73 ruling.) QCWA Headquarters no longer prints and mails out QCWA Anniversary of Licensing Certificates and Century Club certificates. To obtain a certificate a member can print out his/her own certificate. For Chapter 73 members, the Chapter 73 Executive takes care of the printing and prints out certificates for our members. Special thanks to Ron Gimbel, VE3DBD, who has been looking after the printing of the QCWA Certificates since the new procedure took effect.

Congratulations to the following QCWA Certificate recipients!

50 Years

Robert Gradwell VE3BKG
Gary Clifford VE3DZP
Alan Illidge VE3EJM
Mark Pecen VE3QAM

60 Years

Ernie Crump VE3OU

70 Years

Court Broad VE3AZ

80 Years

Fred Lewery VE3FGJ

Century Club

There are no qualifiers for the Century Club in 2016.

Harold Braun, VE3CD Awards Chair

Donors - Fall 2015 Prize Table

Thank you to the following Chapter 73 members who donated to the Prize Table for our Fall 2015 Meeting!

VA3PM Pierre Mainville - Radioworld
VE3AO Mike Ennis
VE3NR Bert Almemo
VE3EIL Rob Hammond
VE3GVD Bob Pattison
VE3BCA Jim Thompson
VE3CD Harold Braun
**Bert Almemo, VE3NR
Prize Chair**

Photo Gallery – Fall 2015 Meeting



Bob Pattison-VE3GVD, Pierre Mainville-VA3PM,
and Bill Ambler, VE3CFY



Ziggy Rodzoch-VE3ZIG
and
Waldemar Szczesniak-VE3CZK



Jim Thompson-VE3BCA & Bert Almemo-VE3NR



Fred Hicks-VE3MTS & Gordon Gibson-VE3NQG

Note: All photos in this issue are courtesy of Mary Card, VE3FEB. To view other photos, please visit our website at www.qcwa.ca. Special thanks to our Webmaster Fred Hicks, VE3MTS.

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*"Things turn out best for people who
make the best of how things turn out."
- Art Linkletter*