

Western Retiree Chapter Newsletter



It's hard to believe that summer is here. Happy Canada Day!

We hope you have a great summer planned, filled with family, friends and fun. Catch up with colleagues that you know and some that you don't at our events that continue over the summer months.

Member Appreciation Spring Social

Unfortunately, we didn't have enough members registered for this catered event and ended up cancelling it. We will be looking for another opportunity for our members to get together that will involve more of us.

Recent Events

Member walk on May 28th included a small but energetic group led by Julie Nichols. We met in Gibbons Park parking lot and walked on

the trails through Gibbons and Harris Parks ending at Riverside Drive before looping back.



Legends and Lunch- Kellogg area tour including Hard Rock Hotel

A morning tour of the Kellogg complex was enjoyed on June 24. Members were able to learn about the building and its new life. We

saw the various shops, eating spots, meeting and event spaces, recreation areas and museums located in what was once the Kellogg Factory and learned some of the history. This was followed by a very interesting tour and talk of some music legend archival material at the new Hard Rock Hotel - the first hotel in Canada of this chain. Attendees stayed and enjoyed lunch at the cafe located there.







Book Club

Members met for a 'year-end' lunch at Beertown on June 4th and did some planning for next year. Our Book Club is on hiatus for the summer and will resume meeting in September. New members are always welcome. Watch for the August Newsletter for times and dates!

Here is our reading list for this year, all by Canadian authors:

Everyone Here is Lying by Shari Lapena

A World of Curiosities by Louise Penny

Indians on Vacation by Thomas King
Late Nights on Air by Elizabeth Hay
Bluebird by Genevieve Graham
Half Blood Blues by Esi Edugyan
The Ragged Company by Richard Wagamese
The Maid's Secret by Nita Prose
One title TBD

Regular Events

Reminder: We encourage everyone to wear your 2025/26 name tag you recently received at every event so we can easily recognize each other.

July 8 - Coffee Club will meet at our summer location in Gibbons Park (near the Victoria Street parking lot) at **9:30 am**. Please bring your lawn chair and beverage if you wish (there are a couple of picnic tables). Come and meet up with former colleagues!

July 16 - Euchre Club will meet at **1:00 pm** in the main floor meeting room at the Convergence Centre at the Research Park (across from Black Walnut Cafe).

July 25 - Walking Club will meet on campus at the Music Building entrance, (across from the tennis courts).

9:30 am walk starts

10:30 am walk ends

Post-walk social at Western Farmers market on Kent (in front of MacIntosh Gallery).

Upcoming Events

Coming Soon – watch for an opportunity to participate in birdwatching/ photography. Details to be announced in a future newsletter.

Details are being worked out to assist the campus police with their program 'Share the Warmth' - Western University-Student Support Clothing program, that helps to provide winter clothing for Western students who are in need. Stay tuned for updates.

Member Benefits:

September 10 - Blue Jays night at the Rogers Centre – learn more and register [HERE](#)

Take advantage of our Western Retiree 15% discount at The Framing and Art Centre – learn more [HERE.](#)

Hope to see you soon at the event(s) of your choice!

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