



St. Lawrence College

RETIREES  ASSOCIATION

Retiree Reflections, Ruminations, and Ramblings (R⁴)

Issue #2

Since no one objected strenuously to the original R4 (an oversight that you may regret), I am sending another issue – again containing bits of nonsense and items of possible interest.

Groundhogs Weren't Sure

There were mixed reports about what the famous groundhogs saw and whether early spring is on the way. Both Punxsutawney Phil and Wiarton Willie offered that welcome prediction, but six more weeks of winter was the verdict rendered by Nova Scotia's Shubenacadie Sam and Quebec's Fred La Marmotte. There was also at least one non-decision, as indicated by the accompanying picture.



Upcoming Events

Pounding the Paint?

There is still time (just) to see the **Two Printmakers: More Pressure** show at the Window Art Gallery, which has been extended until Feb 10. That is our Barb Carr brandishing the hammer on the right, along with her printmaking friend Jane Hamilton-Khaan. They are exhibiting their latest monotypes, a kind of printmaking.

<http://www.windowartgallerykingston.com/>



Coffee and Conversation

Our first social gathering of 2019 will be on April 10, at 10:30 am, at our frequent location of 1066 King West. Details will follow in a mailing to all members, but I know you will want to mark this on your social calendar now.

Association AGM

Our annual general meeting will be held at the Kingston Campus of St. Lawrence (in Venue Room C) on May 15. Here again, details will be mailed out, and the information will also be posted at our website (www.slcretirees.weebly.com). One of the items on this year's agenda will be amendments to the constitution of our Association. [These do not include the addition of an impeachment process and I don't know how this false news gets started.] But stay tuned for details about the proposed amendments, including at our website.

Speaking of Our Website

If you have not visited lately, you should do so, and make a point of checking in regularly. The site is frequently updated, with recent items including, for example, the release of an album of Irish songs by one of our members (and no, the singer's initials are not RK, fine Irish laddie that he is); information on Ryandale Shelter, one of many organizations supported by Association volunteers; and a list of donations that would be welcomed by Dawn House re items that are often in short supply. The website also has periodic updates about former college employees who have passed on, a sadly regular occurrence.

A Winter Warning

During cold weather, animals can be attracted to the warmth of your vehicle. So always check your car before starting it up and driving away.



South Carolina Branch of Retirees Association

Martin's Restaurant hosted a meeting of the S.C. Branch, featuring the Zabels, Tindals, and special guests all the way from Nova Scotia (Brian and Peggy Murphy on the far left and right). The occasion was a celebration of over 150 years of good living and the two birthday boys gathered on both sides of Jan, Martin's nephew (in the second photo) to support him as he began preparation of Bananas Foster. It was a great evening and only one banana was harmed during the festivities (but it died happily, submerged in considerable alcohol).

