

MURAnews

McMaster University Retirees Association http://mcmaster-retirees.ca/ Winter 2016

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President's Corner

Greetings. I hope you enjoyed, as I did, the ushering in of this new leap year with the spell of mild weather that

we had at the end of 2015. The receipt of the modest but welcome increase in our pensions that followed added to the enjoyment. I am pleased to report that our annual Christmas luncheon held in December was again very well supported by around 200 of our members. On your behalf, I extend a vote of



thanks to Gail Britton and her committee for staging this successful event. I am happy to report also that our Council has been joined by Phyllis DeRosa-Koetting who steps in to replace the late Pam Penny. Phyllis knows the University very well, having served for many years in the offices of the University President and the Faculty Association. We wish her well in her term on Council. In closing, I extend to you all my best wishes for a happy and enjoyable 2016.

Les King, MURA President

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Call for Nominations

The duly constituted MURA Nominating Committee is now receiving input for the nomination of Council members for the threeyear term starting in June 2016, as

well as for President and Vice-President for 2016/17.

The Committee comprises:
Mary Johnston (Chair)
Eleanor Frank
Nora Gaskin
David Hitchcock
Betty Ann Lew

Please forward expressions of personal interest and/or suggestions for nominees to the Committee Chair, Mary Johnston: johnston@mcmaster.ca or 905-627-1409 or to any Nominating Committee member.

Submitted by Kathy Overholt, MURA Secretary

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Salaried Pension Plan

On December 15th MURA notified members (those that have provided MURA with an e-mail address) of the 1.49% increase in pensions starting January 2016. The full increase applies to those who were receiving a pension from the Salaried Pension Plan on June 30, 2014, and is equivalent to the average monthly increase in the Consumer Price Index (CPI) for 2014/15. Those who retired between July 1, 2014 and June 30, 2015 received a pro-rated increase and those who retired after June 30, 2015 received no increase. Unlike the increase in January 2015, there is no supplementary increase this year.

The rate of return on pension assets for the year ended June 30, 2015 was 8.31%, the 5th consecutive year of positive returns. The 5-year average rate of return was 11.26%, considerably above the 4.5% threshold which is required before a pension increase is given. Investment markets for the first half of the 2015/16 year have been volatile and generally negative. While it is not possible to predict the rate of return for the full 2015/16 year, any negative return would have to be very significant before the 5-year average would be less than the 4.5% threshold and prevent an increase in January 2017.

The audited financial statements for the year ended June 30, 2015 and other information related to the Salaried Pension Plan can be found at www.workingatmcmaster.ca/pensions/annual-report.

When will my pension end? Have you ever asked yourself that question? The McMaster pension plan for salaried employees is a defined benefit plan. Under such a plan, employees contribute to the pension fund while they are working and receive a pension calculated on their years of service and best-

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5-year average salary, <u>for their lifetime</u> after they retire.

At the time you retired, you chose the form of pension payments you will receive.

If you were single when you retired, you will receive the full amount of your pension during your lifetime. Your full pension is guaranteed for a minimum of 84 months. If you die before receiving 84 monthly payments (7 years), your pension will be paid to your beneficiary or to your estate until 84 payments have been made.

The normal pension choice for a member who has a spouse when he/she retires pays the full amount of the pension to the member for his/her lifetime, with the spouse, if still living when the member dies, receiving 50% of the pension for his/her remaining lifetime. As explained above, the full pension is guaranteed for a minimum of 84 months. If the member dies before receiving 84 monthly payments (7 years), the full pension will be paid to the spouse, if still living, or to your estate, until 84 payments have been made. After this period the 50% pension would be paid to the surviving spouse for the remainder of his/her lifetime. It's important to note. however, that as a member with a spouse, you may have chosen an optional form of payment when you retired which could have increased or decreased the amount of your pension, the "guarantee period" and the amount your spouse will receive on your death. These options are found in Section 6.04 of the pension plan text:

http://www.mcmaster.ca/mufa/PensionPlanTextRestatementJuly2008.pdf

R. A. West

MURA representative, Pension Trust Committee

Don't Forget to Buy Travel Insurance

Going south for the winter? Or anywhere abroad in the spring? Don't forget to review your travel and health insurance options before travelling outside of Ontario. See pp. 4 and 5 of the Fall 2014 issue of MURAnews for information (http://www.mcmaster-retirees.ca/Pages/MURA_Activities/MU RAnews/fall2014.frames.html)

Hourly Pension Plan

In the new year of 2016, the Pension Committee of the Hourly Pension Plan is able to announce the increase that you may have noticed on your first pension cheques of the year. The increases were approved by the Board of Governors as its final step.

The increase will be a maximum of 1.49% related to the Consumer Price Index (CPI) assessed rate of inflation for the past year, plus a supplementary pension increase for the many years that the plan did not keep up. This supplementary increase will be to a maximum of 1.013%, giving a maximum total increase of 2.518%. This is the amount that retirees with a pension as of July 2011 will receive. If you retired after July 2011, there is a table giving a month by month reduction, down to retirement in June 2015 at which point an increase of 0.124 will apply (see

http://www.workingatmcmaster.ca/med/document/Hourly-Supp-COLA-2015-1-40.pdf or call HR at 905-525-9140 ext. 22247 for more information). While increases may seem small they are limited by the Plan's Governance and the interest rates earned by investments, which at this time are less than stellar. Your Pension Plan Committee works hard to obtain the best results possible. Thus we must give them thanks for their efforts.

While hopefully having the attention of hourly retirees, I/we would like to invite your participation, as retirees, in the activities of MURA, amongst which will be the upcoming AGM in early June. Notice for booking for this event will be included in the Spring issue of MURAnews.

Yours Cliff Andrews

MURA Needs a Secretary



Kathy Overholt will step down as MURA Secretary at the end of April, after doing an excellent job since January 2014. We are looking for a MURA member to fill that role.

The Secretary is appointed by MURA's Council. He/she is a member of the MURA Executive and

an ex-officio member of Council with voting privileges. The Secretary's main duties are to:

- ! attend meetings of the Council (once a month except for July and August);
- ! attend meetings of the Executive (these are infrequent):
- ! book meeting rooms for Council and Executive meetings;
- ! send notices of meetings to Council and Executive, along with the agenda, minutes and related documents;
- ! take minutes of Council, Executive and Annual General meetings.

The new Secretary's term would start on or before May 1st.

Please consider taking on this important and interesting role within MURA. To find out more, contact mura@mcmaster.ca or leave a message at (905) 525 9140 ext. 23171.

MURA Special Event

Digital Resources at the Hamilton Public Library

There is much more to the modern library than books and DVDs on shelves. Have you got an e-book reader (e.g., Kobo, Sony Reader) or tablet computer (iPad, Android tablet, Blackberry Playbook) languishing on a shelf? It could be your new gateway to books and magazines from the library.

Learn how to access e-books, audiobooks, magazines, newspapers, music, movies and television shows on your computer, e-book reader, smart phone or tablet through the Hamilton Public Library (HPL). All of these resources are available to you free of charge if you have an account with the Library through your library card.

We have arranged for a Community Librarian to speak to MURA members and friends about the library's eresources. This free one-hour presentation, followed by time for questions, will take place at the **Westdale Branch (955 King St W, Hamilton) at one o'clock on Wednesday, April 6th, 2016.**

To register, please contact me at johnston@mcmaster.ca or 905-627-1409 before March 25th.

Mary Johnston, MURA Trips & Special Events Committee

Volunteer Opportunities

Exam Hospitality 2016 @ McMaster

Would you like to volunteer with The Chaplaincy Centre? We could use your help as a volunteer host for our April 2016 Exam Drop In.

- What? Everything you need is supplied by the Chaplaincy Centre and OPIRG — we need your help in replenishing cookies, the hot beverages, and to welcome students. Or if you like baking perhaps you would be interested in donating some yummy homemade cookies? (No peanuts please)
- When? During a shift that suits your schedule during the exam period. Identify the shift that you would like: either 5:30-7:30 pm or 7:30-9:30 pm and the day. The event runs on April 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 17, 18, 19, 20, and 21st.
- Location: McMaster Student Centre room 230
- Contact: Amanda Lemus 525-9140, ext 24207 or via Email: chaplain@mcmaster.ca

Bay Area Science & Engineering Fair (BASEF) March 30 – April 5, 2016 at Mohawk College

BASEF is an exhibition and competition of science, technology, engineering and mathematics projects for grades 7 to 12 students in Hamilton, Halton, Brant, Haldimand, Norfolk and Six Nations. Mac retirees from all backgrounds can help make this event a success.

- ! Volunteer Judges Judging day is Thursday, March 31st. Volunteer at <u>basef.ca/judging</u> or email <u>judging@basef.ca</u>
- ! General Volunteers Help with set-up, registration, supervising student activities, and welcoming and guiding participants and visitors. Volunteer at basef.ca/volunteer, email volunteers@basef.ca, or call Helen Barton at 905-528-8951.





An Opportunity for **you** to make a Difference...



We need your help to expand our services for seniors affected by dementia and at risk of experiencing social isolation by participating in our Teleconnect program.

...be a part of something that will engage and empower those living with dementia and their caregivers.....

We are looking for retirees and students from the Health/ Social Services (nursing, social work), teachers/facilitators and those who have experience with supporting individuals with dementia) to join our team.

...For more information on how you can make a difference!

Contact:

Kathy McArthur Coordinator, Volunteer Engagement Alzheimer Society of Hamilton Halton Kathy.mcarthur@alzda.ca 905-529-7030 ext. 201





Where memories are lost... We'll be found.

Recent Passings

Dr. Joseph Ban, Divinity College, Sept. 17/15

Dr. David Blewett, English & Cultural Studies, Oct. 25/15

Mrs. Valerie Cranmer, University Library, Dec. 17/15

Mr. Robert Dopheide, Facility Services, Oct. 31/15

Mr. Donald J. Galbraith, Purchasing Services, Oct. 5/15

Mr. David Hodgson, Brockhouse Institute of Material Research, Sept. 28/15

Mr. Robert Mackness, Facility Services, Sept. 19/15 Miss Yvonne McNair, Office of VP Administration, Nov. 21/15

Dr. Donald Robinson, Obstetrics & Gynecology, Dec. 15/15

Dr. Pillachira M. Thomas, University Library, July 31/15

Dr. James Williams, Economics, Nov. 19/15

Welcome New Members

Mrs. Laura Barbara Christianson, Purchasing Services

Mrs. Snezana Jovicic, Housing

Mrs. Patricia Kalnins, Faculty of Humanities

Ms. Barbara L'Oryte, Office of VP Research

Mrs. Kathleen Ouellette, Library

Mrs. Barbara Reid, Medicine

Mr. Josef Sajder, Facility Services

Mr. Klaus Schultes, Biology

Mrs. Anne Scime, Medicine

Mrs. Sandra Simmons. Library

Mrs. Irene Stanton, Medicine

Mrs. Lynn Stray, Education Services

and a belated welcome to

Mrs. Irene Albl, Geography & Earth Sciences

Ms. Laurine Mollinga, Office of International Affairs

Ms. Judi Padunsky, School of Nursing

Mrs. Nancy Thomas, Psychiatry and Behavioural Neurosciences

Dr. Laurie Wishart, School of Rehabilitation Science

What's Happening at Mac

New Exhibits at McMaster Museum of Art

Picturing Wellness Art of Peace

Jan 5, 2016 - Mar 26, 2016 Jan 14, 2016 - Apr 2, 2016

SHIFT: Environmentally Responsible

Print Practice

Jan 14, 2016 - Apr 2, 2016

More information, visit https://museum.mcmaster.ca/exhibitions/current-and-upcoming/ or call 905-525-9140 Ext. 23081

Concerts in Convocation Hall (University Hall 213)

- ♦ Hamilton Schola Cantorum; Gregorian Chant; Tuesday, February 9, 2016 at 12:30pm
- ◆ Trio D'Argento; Flute, Clarinet, Saxophone, Piano; Friday, February 12, 2016 at 8:00pm
- ♦ Valérie Milot; Harp, Violin; Friday, March 18, 2016 at 8:00pm
- ◆ Drew Henderson; Classical Guitar; Tuesday, March 22, 2016 at 12:30pm

For more information, visit https://sota.humanities.mcmaster.ca/concerts/, call 905-525-9140 ext. 27671, or email sota@mcmaster.ca

McMaster Alumni Events

These events are open to MURA members and friends. For information, contact Jessica Lounsbury at 905-525-9140, ext. 24882 or lightps://alumni.os.mcmaster.ca/s/1439/index.aspx?sid=1439&gid=1&pgid=737.

Lager Lectures

- ◆ Thursday, February 04, 2016; 4:30 pm; The Great Hall, Alumni Memorial Hall: The Story of Restoring a Very Old Book
- Thursday, February 18, 2016; 2 pm; Hamilton Waterfront Trust, 57 Discovery Drive, Hamilton: Wearable Technologies for Optimal Aging
- Wednesday, March 02, 2016; 7 pm; McMaster Innovation Park, 175 Longwood Road South, Hamilton: Alone Against the
- ◆ Thursday, March 24, 2016; 2 pm; Hamilton Waterfront Trust Theatre, 57 Discovery Drive, Hamilton: Century of Sinatra

Day Trip

Macbeth at the Festival Theatre in Stratford; Thursday, June 23, 2016. Cost: \$110 (includes bus, lecture, lunch and play)

Using the PRESTO Card On Our Public Transit Systems

by Marianne Van der Wel

PRESTO is an electronic fare card system now in place across 10 provincial and municipal transit agencies in the Greater Toronto Hamilton Area (GTHA) and Ottawa. They are: Brampton Transit; Burlington Transit; Durham Region Transit (DRT); Hamilton Street Railway (HSR); Miway; Oakville Transit; OC Transpo; the Toronto Transit Commission (TTC), all streetcars and 26 subway stations; UP Express; York Region Transit/Viva (YRT/Viva) and GO Transit.

Each transit system has its own fares, rules and regulations, which means there is no easy description to cover all situations. You may need to check with the individual transit agency for details.

Using PRESTO on the City Bus

In general, when using a municipal transit system with only one fare zone — as for those in the cities of Burlington, Oakville and Hamilton — you tap your card on the device nearest the entry when you get on the bus and that's it.

Using PRESTO on GO Transit

When using GO transit, the rules for using PRESTO are more complicated and if these rules are not followed, mistakes can be quite costly.

Taking the GO bus with PRESTO

- → Tap on when boarding the bus. The PRESTO Fare Payment Device is located on the bus. near the driver.
- → Tap off when leaving the bus. You should do this even when using the bus to connect to a GO train.
- ➡ If you fail to tap off when exiting the bus, you will be charged the fare for the farthest distance on that bus route. The amount you owe will be deducted the next time you use your PRESTO card.

Taking the GO train with PRESTO

- Tap on using one of the **GREEN** PRESTO Fare Payment Devices located in the train station. Be sure to check the screen on the device to confirm that a fare has been deducted from your card. A beep and a green or yellow light indicates a successful transaction. If you see a red light, talk to a station attendant prior to taking your trip. If you forget to tap on, you will not be able to pay on the train, will be considered to be travelling without valid payment, and may be fined.
- → Tap off on a **GREEN** PRESTO Fare Payment Device in the station when you reach your destination. If you forget to tap off, you will be charged the fare plus an additional amount. There is no senior's discount on these "missed tap off adjustments", which may range from \$2 to \$11.30.

Setting a default trip for the GO train

One way to avoid potential problems resulting from failure to tap off after a train journey is to set a default journey on your PRESTO card. For example, if your usual train journey is from Aldershot to Union Station, set this as your default. You will no longer need to tap off at the end of any train journey to Union Station where you have tapped on at Aldershot. To take a trip from your default station to a destination other than your default, you will need to use the "override" button before you tap your card at the beginning of the journey and tap off at the end.

Get to Know Your Tapping Devices

- ➡ Be aware that there are PRESTO devices in the train stations other than green Fare Payment Devices. Similar devices with a YELLOW background are for activating or checking the balance on your PRESTO card.
- ➡ If you accidentally check your balance at a device with a GREEN background, instead of a YELLOW one, push the CORRECT button on the device or ask a GO agent to help you. Otherwise, the PRESTO system will assume that you are starting a train journey.



For More Information on PRESTO

- See pages 2 and 3 of the summer of 2013 issue of MURAnews.
 http://mcmaster-retirees.ca/Pages/MURA_Activities/MURAnews/summer2013.MURAnews.page2.pdf
 http://mcmaster-retirees.ca/Pages/MURA Activities/MURAnews/summer2013.MURAnews.page3.pdf
- → Go to the Presto web site (<u>www.prestocard.ca</u>) or the GO Transit web site (http://www.gotransit.com/public/en/fares/presto.aspx)
- → Visit a Customer Service Outlet (e.g., HSR Ticket Office, 36 Hunter St. E., Hamilton; Municipal Service Centre, City Hall, 71 Main Street West, Hamilton; Municipal Service Centre, Dundas, 60 Main Street, Dundas)
- → Call 1-8-PRESTO-123 (1-877-378-6123).

For information about fares and discounts, transit schedules, transfers, customer service outlet locations and PRESTO device locations, call GO Transit (1-888-438-6646), Hamilton Street Railway (905-527-4441) or Burlington Transit (905-639-0550).

If, however, you are an infrequent user of public transit or find using PRESTO not to your liking, you can continue to use cash and paper tickets in accordance to the rules of the transit system in question.

Computer Tips & Tricks: Spam and McMaster.ca Email Accounts



Many MURA members continue to use their McMaster email accounts after retiring. If you use an email address ending in "@mcmaster.ca", you are now using the new *MacMail* system, a Microsoft Exchange service.

Some of you have asked how you can limit spam or junk email (i.e. irrelevant or inappropriate email messages sent to a large number of recipients) coming to your address on the new *MacMail* email service. To do this, you need to set up email filtering using Outlook Web App (OWA), the web application that allows you to access your McMaster email account.

Start by going to https://macmail.mcmaster.ca/owa/ and signing in to your account. Be sure to select the standard version, not the "light" version.

<u>Set your account to automatically direct spam to your 'Junk E-Mail' folder.</u> Here's how: From the 'Options' dropdown box at the top right of the page, select 'See all Options', and then choose 'Block or Allow' from the left menu bar. Select the 'Automatically filter junk e-mail' button, then scroll down and click 'Save'.

It also can help to add what is called an 'X-Spam-Flag' which will filter many spam messages based on criteria that are frequently updated and tweaked by the University to capture messages that are likely to be spam. To do this, sign in to OWA, then follow the instructions at http://mcmaster-retirees.ca/PDF/adding-x-spam-flag-to-owa.pdf.

If you still receive messages in your Inbox that you consider to be spam, you can add the sender's address to a filter so that future messages from that address automatically go into your Junk folder. Using OWA, select the message, right-click on it and choose 'Junk E-Mail > Add Sender to Blocked Senders List'. (Those who use the Outlook mail program will find similar options available.)

<u>It's important to check your Junk folder</u> frequently, as it's possible for messages to end up there that are not considered junk by you. When you find one, again using OWA, right-click on the message, choose 'Junk E-Mail', and click to add the sender's address to your 'Safe Sender' list. Always check the contents of your Junk folder before emptying it to prevent losing legitimate messages.

MURA Scholarship & Prize Fund

McMaster University Retirees Association MEET THE 2015 RECIPIENTS





Megan Meredith

I am currently working on my fourth year courses, double majoring in Health Studies and Gerontology. I am also home with my son, who is 3, and work as a program coordinator for an adoptions agency here in Hamilton. Thanks to my classes and my work I've realized that learning about social determinants of health, particularly in children, is my passion and I hope to build my career helping to improve community health. I would love to pursue community-based research or the implementation of social programs, either in Hamilton or abroad, that will help all individuals achieve their life potential. I am incredibly grateful for the support I have received from the McMaster community to pursue my degree while also being an active parent to my son.



Audrey Tan

Audrey is in her fourth and final year of Health Studies and Gerontology with Minors in French and Business. This year, she is leading McMaster's Health, Aging and Society Association as President, directing the fundraiser 'All That Glitters' which raises awareness of violence against indigenous women, volunteering with the Hamilton Council on Aging, and working on the board of the McMaster Campus Ministries Council. Audrey intends to pursue an MPhil in Evidence-Based Social Intervention and Policy Evaluation at Oxford University in England. She is honoured to be recognized for her academic achievements in receiving this scholarship.

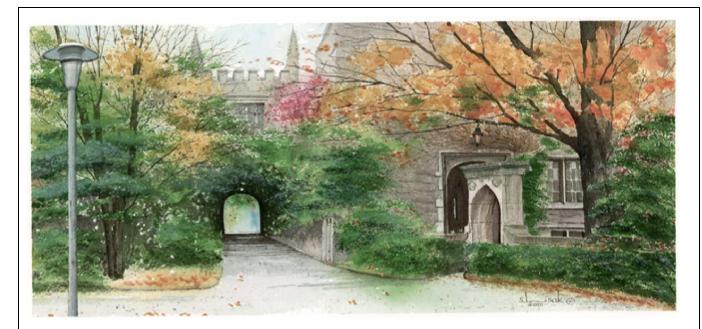
I cannot thank you enough for this award. I am truly grateful for your generosity. Regards, Audrey Tan

Thanks to the generous support of past donors, Audrey received a scholarship of \$2,000 and Megan a prize of \$550.

In honour of the 85th anniversary of McMaster's move to Hamilton, MURA's new goal is to bring the donated amount in the Fund to \$85,000 by the end of 2018. With this increase, the annual scholarship could be raised to \$2,500 and the prize to \$750. \$15,000 must be raised to meet this goal.

Please consider making a donation to the MURA Scholarship and Prize Fund in order to allow an increase in future financial support to outstanding students in Gerontology.

You can make your gift online at <u>MURAscholarship.ca</u> or by calling Meggie MacDougall, Alumni Officer, Special Projects at 905-525-9140 ext 24667.



These beautiful note cards were produced to celebrate MURA's 25th anniversary in 2010.

Stephanie Lisak, a McMaster retiree, very generously gave us permission to reproduce one of her original watercolour paintings, *Fall Colours at Mac*. The image depicts a particularly lovely view of the oldest part of campus. Pat Vinton, a photographer with Media Services at the University, donated her expertise to produce a very high-quality digital image. We are grateful to both for their support. McMaster Printing staff printed the cards on 80 lb. textured paper which gives the effect of an original watercolour painting. The 9" x 4" card is blank inside and can be used for special occasions, for saying thank you and for other short notes. It could even be framed.

Cards are available at \$1.50 each. All proceeds go toward MURA's Special Projects Fund.

The cards are for sale at the MURA Christmas lunch and Annual General Meeting. They are also available by mail in packages of five or ten cards. To order cards by mail, please send your name, address and phone number to mura@mcmaster.ca or leave a message at 905-525-9140 ext 23171. We will let you know, based on your address and the number of cards requested, what the total cost including postage will be.

The trouble with retirement is that you never get a day off.

~Abe Lemons

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Anyone wishing to contribute to *MURAnew*s is invited to send submissions to the MURAOffice (GH-B108; email: mura@mcmaster.ca; 905-525-9140, ext. 23171).

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Paris and Normandy: The English Connection

October 25, 2015, marked the six-hundredth anniversary of the battle of Agincourt, memorialised in Shakespeare's *Henry V*. It concluded a campaign that ravaged France, especially Normandy, leaving enduring historical and literary legacies. That day our group embarked on a river cruise down the Seine to Rouen and back to Paris eight days later. This was the first half of our tour. The Seine and its varied and dramatic course, its sites — Monet's garden at Giverny, Richard the Lionheart's gigantic castle, Château Gaillard, for instance, grip the imagination.

After an excellent guided tour of Paris, we set out in our mini-bus for a land tour starting at Chartres's breathtakingly beautiful Cathedral and on to coastal sites with our expert guide, François. Hotels at St Malo (2 nights) and Bayeux (4 nights) exceeded all expectations — perfect for our excursions to the WWII invasion sites, and those of other invasions and sieges: William's 1066 conquest of England, vividly recorded by the Bayeux Tapestry, Mont St Michel, Henry V's "band of brothers", the French Wars of Religion, Hitler. Grace Chapelle, high above Honfleur, records 16th & 17th century voyages to the New World of John Denis and of the indefatigable Champlain.

Though ravaged so often by the "dogs of war", Normandy made its mark on our world. Fascinating, dramatic, perfect for such a tour. Throughout we immersed ourselves in history and literature: Chaucer, Marlowe, Shakespeare, Donne, early navigational texts, Coward (including a reading of "Private Lives" in Deauville's elegant Hotel Barriere), Brillat-Savarin, and, of course, the superb cuisine of the region.

Our next excursion is "Literary Legends By Sea and By Land: The Sequel", September 8—23, 2016.

Graham Roebuck, '66, Emeritus, Host of Paris and Normandy: The English Connection

LITERARY LEGENDS BY SEA AND BY LAND, THE SEQUEL

September 8-23, 2016



Join Dr. Graham Roebuck, Professor Emeritus, McMaster University, on our second adventure exploring English literature, history and culture featuring the great figures of English literature. Departing from New York on September 8, 2016 on board Cunard's Queen Mary 2, the group will cruise to Southampton with a stop in Halifax en route and then embark on a seven-day coach excursion. Three nights will be spent in each of Canterbury and Cambridge followed by one night in London where our journey ends. Throughout the trip, Dr. Roebuck will provide illustrated talks, conduct informal discussions and lead guided tours of the sites.

Highlights

Hastings, Canterbury Cathedral, Sissinghurst Castle Garden and additional National Trust sites, Bury St Edmunds, Wren Library, King's College Chapel Optional day trip to Greenwich on Sept 23 available

Fares*

Cruise: From \$1981.00 CAD to \$3300.00 CAD Land: \$2990.00 CAD

*Pricing is per person based on double occupancy. Cruise and land excursion may be booked separately Special bonus of onboard gifts and shipboard credits

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