

# Association of Postal Officials of Canada York Branch

July 2011 Branch News Letter

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Next York Branch General Meeting is July 17<sup>th</sup> 2011 at 10:00 hr

## YORK BRANCH ANNUAL BBQ

President Lance Graham, [president@apocyork.ca](mailto:president@apocyork.ca)

Fellow Members, it is summer 2011 and the month is July, this can only mean one thing. At our July General Meeting for those who did not remember, please allow me to remind you. "Its BBQ Time". Yes, it is our York Branch annual BBQ and it will be on July 17, 2011 after the scheduled General Meeting.

It has been a tradition for a number of years in the month of July after the general meeting, instead of dashing out the doors of the office, we get together in our parking lot for a while, have our BBQ refreshments in the refreshing summer sunshine, chat and discuss matters of interest with colleagues, co-workers and friends in a social atmosphere of friendship and camaraderie where we have a bite to eat and non alcoholic drink.

This July we will do the same and all members are invited. Please take this opportunity to bring a team member along with you to this meeting. So come along and enjoy the meeting and the York Branch BBQ setting on Sunday July 17<sup>th</sup> beginning at 10:00 hours.

Mahmoud Mohamed acting Vice President Gateway [wppvice@apocyork.ca](mailto:wppvice@apocyork.ca)

I would like to take this opportunity to invite all of you to our July 17<sup>th</sup> general meeting. As you are all aware the General meetings are held every other month on the third Sunday of the given month starting at 10:00 hours, notwithstanding any unforeseen reasons for a change of date or time. I also would like to extend a reminder to all of our Bar-B-Q on the 17<sup>th</sup> of July after our general meeting.

Our scheduled consultations were held at Gateway in June and we expect to consult every third Wednesday of each month in future. If you have any questions or concerns pertaining to the Gateway operations to be put forward on the consultations agenda, please do not hesitate to notify your Divisional Representatives or the Gateway Vice President. Also, just a gentle reminder that you can visit the APOC York Branch web site [apocyork.com](http://apocyork.com) and keep in touch.

Philip Denny, Secretary Treasurer [sectrea@apocyork.ca](mailto:sectrea@apocyork.ca)

Please do not hesitate to send me your new mailing address if you are not receiving mail from the APOC York Branch. Check out the web site at [apocyork.com](http://apocyork.com). Also try and seek permission from your respective team leaders to post these News Letters on your respective APOC bulletin boards for other Team members to read.

The May 27<sup>th</sup> to May 30<sup>th</sup> 2011 APOC National President's meeting was held in Toronto at the Westin Hotel on Dixon Road. This four day meeting was attended by APOC Regional Divisional Vice Presidents and their Executives from all Regions across Canada. The meeting was hosted by the APOC National Executive located in Ottawa.

The attendees were shown a very touching video presentation from the APOC National immediate past President Mr. Francois Goulet, who retired recently from Canada Post Corporation and consequently from the position as President of the APOC National Executive. The present APOC National President is Mr. Darren Kohut. Darren was the First National Vice President at the time of Mr. Goulet's retirement. Therefore, Darren he was ascended to the President's position as a result of Mr. Goulet departure from

the position. This is in accordance with the APOC National constitution. As a result a vacancy that was created for the APOC National First Vice President position which had to be filled. Therefore, an election was held at the President's meeting on May 30<sup>th</sup> 2011. And as a consequence, Madeleine Roy was elected to the position as First Vice President to APOC National Executive Office.

Be it known that Madeleine is the first female member to be elected to the APOC National Executive Office in Ottawa. On behalf of all members in the APOC York Branch I think it is fitting to extend our congratulations to Madeleine Roy in her position as First Vice President in the APOC National Executive. **Please provide any changes to your mailing address to APOC York Branch [sectrea@apocyork.ca](mailto:sectrea@apocyork.ca)**

Anne Eaton – Interim Vice President Delivery

It has been my pleasure to serve APOC Delivery for the past two months. During that time I have noted similar concerns from APOC members the largest concern being 'Workload'. The Corporation has been in a constant state of flux the past few years and consequently the management teams have downloaded more and more responsibilities to the APOC staff. Just to touch on one point; the addition of the Redirection Service corrections, some of these corrections can take up to forty (40) minutes each depending on the issue that made the change wrong in the first place. I encourage each of you to make note of the time it takes you to complete these changes and note this information on your NDM submissions. I have tabled our concerns regarding the workload issues surrounding this (redirection service corrections) addition to our daily duties.

To the membership at large; protect yourselves and your job by considering these cautions: 1) Please do not share you User ID or Password with anyone for any reason. We have all taken the company's 'privacy course' and it is quite clear about User ID and password protocol. 2) When you are going to be absent from scheduled work; please be sure to notify your Superintendent or Manager before the start of your scheduled shift or as close to your scheduled start time as possible. [delvice@apocyork.ca](mailto:delvice@apocyork.ca)

Wendall Quintyne. SLPP Vice President

I would like to take this time and opportunity to say hello to all APOC members at South Central LPP. I would also like to invite all members to our general membership meetings where you can come and voice any concerns that you may have. Meetings are held every third Sunday of every other Month and the next meeting will be on July 17<sup>th</sup>, 2011 at 10:00 hours, please come out and join us and also enjoy our yearly BBQ after the meeting. Our consultations were cancelled for June 2011 due to the labour disruption. If any member has a concern that they would like to have brought to consultations, please bring it to the attention of your shift representative or me and we would take it up at consultations. Just a word of caution to all members, please be careful when you are speaking with or addressing your employees in the work place and include notes of any changes you do in SAP. Please remember to visit our website at [www.apocyork.com](http://www.apocyork.com) to get all the latest information and news about APOC. [slppvice@apocyork.ca](mailto:slppvice@apocyork.ca) ...416-460-4234

Wayne Burey Vice President MTH:

I would like to take this time to welcome everyone back to work after the labour disruptions we experienced in June. I am confident that our members will be on the front lines to continue their diligent and professional work activities in their respective offices. I know we will all be there for our Team members and they return to work, and as is expected of us we will convey the appropriate courtesy, optimism and communicate the positive messages as required in achieving the Corporate Goal and objectives. The mail volumes will increase over the near future as we try to meet the demands created as a result with the expectations of serving our customers and meeting delivery expectations to the public.

Our task will be to do this in a safe but expedient manner. The MOS group is working on changes as they bring in new members to assist with the Postal Transformation. We have experienced a few issues which we will continue to discuss through consultations. The HPM group has experience more training requirements with CORE and leadership training than is expected due to the anomalies related to the recent labour disruption. Some positions and create in the office with the expectations of creating an opportunity for others to gain experience. Transportation has posted two superintendents positions which hopefully will be filled within the month of July 2011. I will provide further updates on grievances and arbitration in the future. Have a safe and enjoyable summer.

Thank you for your cooperation and I am looking forward to seeing you at the next membership meeting on July 17, 2011 at 10:00 hours.

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**No Issues or submission to this News Letter from Anthony Medeiros V-P Sales & Serve.**