



# The Quebec Association of Retired Teachers

**President's Message**

**September 2012**

Welcome back!

Here's hoping all of you had a wonderful and restful summer. As I begin my second term as president, I am pleased to announce that the executive has been busy planning luncheons, events and guest speakers that will be of interest to you in the coming months. Please take note of all these important dates and mark them in your agendas.

Congratulations go out to Ed Zegray who has recently taken over the position of Vice-president of ACER/CART. We appreciate your work for QART.

I wish to thank Karen Habib for agreeing to continue as treasurer this year and also to Mary Zenaitis who is the Continuity Officer. Maureen Goulet, Annie Schaffhauser, and Catherine Barrowcliffe have agreed to remain on the executive another year, even though they have already served for four years ( 2 terms ).

Gerry Carroll, Christine Gazior and her phoners, and Guy Zenaitis have been an integral part of our association and we are indeed indebted to them for their continued work.

As far as next year goes, I strongly urge everyone to give considerable thought to running for one of the positions on the executive at the May 2013 regular meeting. The present executive members will certainly be more than willing to help with the transition.

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### **June Social 2012**

What a grand day we had at Montebello! The weather was sunny and warm for touring the grounds. The meal was superb and everyone was relaxed and enjoyed being together. It was a wonderful way to start the summer.

### **Congratulations**

Congratulations to Father Mike Gillissie, a former teacher at D'Arcy McGee High School, who was ordained 25 years ago, on May 2, 1987. His name is on the list of Jubilarians 2012 of the Ottawa Archdiocese.

### **Sincere Condolences**

We extend very sincere sympathy to Father Lomer Rooney who lost his brother Vincent this summer and four weeks after his brother Gerald. Both brothers were in their late fifties and their deaths were quite a shock for their families. We are very sorry for their loss.

A Mass for Vincent and Gerald Rooney's intentions has been requested by QART. The Mass will be celebrated on Sunday, September 30, at 9:00 a.m., St. Mark's Church, 160, rue Principale, Aylmer.

Father Lomer has also been assigned to St. Mark's Church as Pastor starting September first. We wish Father Lomer well in his new endeavor.

We look forward to another year of working "with" you and welcome any new members. Please invite or advise us if you know of anyone who might be interested in joining or returning to QART. Many, many thanks for your ongoing support and willingness to lend a hand. It is much appreciated. You are a great bunch of people!

**"By all these lovely tokens  
September days are here,  
With summer's best of weather  
And autumn's best of cheer."**

Helen Hunt Jackson  
September 1830-1885

Judy Kavanagh