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Our Facebook Page <https://www.facebook.com/RTOERODistrict37Oxford/>

Our Website <https://district37.rtoero.ca/>

Our Rec Room <http://tinyurl.com/rtoeroxfordrecroom>

Still time to register for our Spring Banquet!



Spring Banquet & AGM - June 7th
South Gate Senior Centre
Arrival 11:30 a.m.

Roast Beef Dinner (Vegetarian Options)

Includes: Salad, Roast Beef, Vegetables, Rolls, Assorted Pies, Tea, Coffee, Punch

Cost to Members: \$25.00 Cost to Non-Members: \$35.00

Members and non-members must register and prepay. No walk-ins. No money taken at the door. Limited seating: 100

Deadline to register is Friday May 26th.

Two Steps MUST be completed to register.

STEP 1: Click the link below to complete the registration form and submit.

<https://forms.gle/kSN7Eq2m2jimEaoGA>

STEP 2: There are three ways to pay:

1. **Online** Click the RTOERO link below to pay <https://www.rto-ero.org/payment-d37>
2. **By cheque** payable to District 37 Oxford. Mail to: Janet Thomson 438 Huron St. Woodstock, ON N4S7A7 Indicate who the plate(s) are for on your cheque.
3. Get a friend to register you online and have them pay and you pay them back.

If you have difficulty, call Linda Dilanni (519-421-2303) or Helen Reid (519-914-8788) or email Helen at the email address above.

Virtual Workshop - Avoiding Frauds and Scams and Personal Safety for Seniors
Wednesday, May 10 - 10:00 a.m.

Are you bothered by all the frauds and scams out there? Concerned about your personal safety or want to get some ideas about how to stay safe? Join us for a virtual Zoom workshop with Shaylyn Jackson, Community Officer for the Woodstock Police Services. She will be glad to answer your questions during the workshop. To register for this workshop, please use the link below:

<https://tinyurl.com/fraudsandscamssafety>



Next Chair Yoga Session

Wednesday, May 24th 10:00 am via Zoom

Contact Heather if you wish to join: hwb@rogers.com

Highlights from District 37 Oxford Board Meeting

- District 37 will join the Greenbelt Districts in making a bid in the silent auction at the AGM on the Bob McDonald Zoom Presentation "The Future is Now". Our share is up to \$250.00.
- The Recognized Member Award will be presented at the Spring Banquet.
- Bill Miller, Benefits Representative will attend the DHR workshop on June 4 and 5.
- The application for The Community Grant to secure funds for the Trillium Trail is being finalized.
- Goodwill Callers will be making a reminder call to members about the Spring Banquet.
- District 37 will research the feasibility wrt to timing for the 2023 school year in offering bursaries of \$150 each to our 6 high schools.
- RTOERO Toronto reported membership growth of 1400 new members in the first quarter of 2023.
- The nomination list and slate of officers for 2023-2024 to be presented at Spring Banquet.
- Updated communication policies wrt newsletters, advertising, social media and websites were received and filed in Google Docs and on Facebook for easy access.
- Archivist, Perry Hughes, shared that in 1973, 14000 teachers were receiving the OTIP and that the number today is 336,000!