

### Faculty Club Newsletter February 2013 Edition

The year 2013 is off to a great start at the McGill Faculty Club! Once again, the Robbie Burns Night was a great success. The evening was full of traditional Scottish events. From music to dancing to poetry, fun was had by all amid a festive atmosphere which included haggis.

Hosted by our President and quizmaster David Harpp, Trivia Night was sold out once again in January. The mind-busting event brought in several contestants during temperatures dipping below -20 Celsius. It was a battle of the brains as teams fought to reach for the top in this fundraising event (Centraide). Three more rounds to go before we crown a Champion team; at this point, the Ministry of Truth has fashioned a decent lead.

Valentine's Day is just around the corner and a great occasion for one person to reveal his or her love and passionate feelings to their partner. The romantic day falls on February 14<sup>th</sup> and is named after two saints: St. Valentine of Rome and St. Valentine of Terni. In pre-Christian times, the middle of February was a period of pagan fertility festivals throughout Europe and a time when birds chose a mate.

Throughout the month of February, be sure to bring your better half for lunch or dinner to see our "beloved" dining room where Chef Majois will have a special menu for you to enjoy.

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#### Bridge Tuesdays, February 5<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> -- Maude Abbott Room. 1:30 to 3:30 pm

Twice a month, the McGill Committee for Retired Professors holds bridge matches. All novices and experts are encouraged to join in on the fun. Enjoy socializing with others who share a passion for this friendly strategic game. A popular event that's both relaxing and challenging. For more information, contact: Dorothy Thomas Edding and/ or 514-932-8478.

### <u>Mussels Festival</u> February 4<sup>th</sup> to February 8<sup>th</sup>

Don't let the freezing temperature get to you. Why hibernate when you can be reminded of warm coastal evenings by the ocean? Satisfy your taste buds as the Mussels Festival kicks off the month of February for an entire week. These mollusks can be cooked several ways, so be sure to taste-test them in a different meal every day. Our executive chef only works with the best catches to prepare an array of delectable dishes.





# St. Valentine's Day Special Menu

# Thursday, February 14<sup>th</sup> in the Main Dining Room. Lunch and Dinner

Love is in the air! Share a special meal with that special someone at the Faculty Club. Let Aphrodite tempt you with her Pennine with small vegetables, sun-dried tomatoes and fresh basil. Neptune is also in on the game of love offering a seafood gratin with lobster sauce. How about a passionate butterfly filet mignon from Cupid with a five pepper sauce for you and your sweetheart? All this and more to make your heart go thumpety thump around a loved one.

Click here for menu:

## Cajun Festival

Add a little Cajun heat to your daily meals. Your taste buds will experience a pleasant adventure with a southern-style dish that is pan-seared, blackened, sautéed and smoked. Add some piquant to your dish and feel the zing of Mardi Gras! From crab cakes to chicken to jambalaya, take a culinary trip to Louisiana!

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### <u>St. James Literary Society</u> Tuesday, March 5<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 p.m.

The St. James Literary Society is a non-profit organization founded in Montreal in

1898 and is one of the oldest learned societies in North America. The Society will present an evening with Dr. Wes Kassouf of the MUHC who will be speaking about "Cancer 101" on March 5<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 pm at the Faculty Club. Dr. Kassouf is the founder of the Canadian Bladder Cancer Network and a recipient of the American Urological

Association Research Scholar Award as well as the Everett C. Reid Teaching Excellence Award. A question period will follow the presentation.

For information and reservations, please contact Mr. Sam Browman at (514) 484-0146 or info@stjamesliterarysociety.com

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## [Upcoming Events]

- Centraide Trivia Quiz: Round 4 Tuesday, March 12<sup>th</sup>, 2013 Be sure to sign up!
- St-Patrick Brunch Sunday March 17<sup>th</sup>, 2013

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