

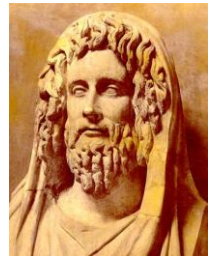


# McGill Faculty Club Newsletter

## Faculty Club Newsletter November 2012 Edition

November literally means "ninth month." However, it is now the eleventh month in the modern calendar and has remained this way for over 2000 years. The duration of one year in the old Roman calendar was only ten months long and November was in fact the ninth month. But this changed when two months were added to the year, and subsequently in 153 B.C. the Roman Senate moved New Year's Day to January 1st. Curiously, the names of the numbered months were not altered in relation to their new positions. November replaced Blotmonað in the Old English Calendar. The English considered it as the "blood month" when animals were sacrificed and slaughtered for preservation throughout winter.

Initially, the month of November lasted 30 days, but the second King of Rome Numa Pompilius, removed a day circa 700 B.C. Julius Caesar then added the day back when he reformed the calendar in 46 B.C. July and August had been named for the first two Roman Emperors, Julius and Augustus. The Roman Senate offered to change the name of November to "Tiberius," but Caesar wisely refused saying: "What will you do if you have thirteen emperors?" None of these facts will appear on Trivia Night.



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### Bridge

**Tuesdays, November 13<sup>th</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup> in the Maude Abbott Room, 1:30 p.m. to 4 p.m.**

All bridge players are invited to the Faculty Club. New participants are always welcome – the more the merrier. Taking place on Tuesdays every two weeks, the McGill Committee for Retired Professors welcomes players of all levels to this social event. Have a drink and a snack while you're at it! For more details, please contact Dorothy Thomas Edding via email: Dorothy.thomas\_edding@mcgill.ca or by phone: (514) 932-8478

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**Centraide Trivia with Prof. David Harpp**  
**Wednesday, November 21<sup>st</sup> in the Faculty Club Ballroom,**  
**Registration at 5:30 pm, Quiz at 6:00 pm**

Centraide Trivia Season 3 is well under way. We wish a warm welcome to all new registered teams. Last round, there was a tie for first place between Thistle Rock and Cashew, followed closely by Ministry of Truth and Living Daylights. It will be a tight race this year since most teams are in striking range. Make sure to register your team early as spots are limited. Also, please advise us if your team will be absent from a round, so that other candidates have a chance to register. **For those interested, Kim Stephenson negotiated a special parking price of 5.00\$ with the Bronfman building. Tickets will be available at the registration table.**

*A minimum of 5\$ donation is required for admission.*

Follow the link to register: <http://www.mcgill.ca/facultyclub/restaurant/centraide-trivia-quiz>

**Centraide Trivia Quiz**

WIN GREAT PRIZES

register early online!

Wednesday, November 21st, 2012  
Time: 6:00 pm  
Team signups: 5:30 pm  
Faculty Club  
3450  
McTavish Street  
Register a team of 2-4 people  
Players without a team will be grouped into teams  
after registration  
\$5 minimum donation per person

Food and alcoholic beverages will be available for purchase.

Quizmaster  
Prof. David Harpp  
More info:  
Kimberley Stephenson  
908-8356

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**Please place a note in your calendars that Trivia round 3 is schedule on Tuesday January 22<sup>nd</sup> 2013.**

**Dates for the following rounds have not yet been determined, but will soon be announced.**

March 2013 (exact date to be confirmed)

April 2013 (exact date to be confirmed)

May 2013 (exact date to be confirmed)

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#### **Louise Sauv  Jazz Trio**

**Thursday, November 22<sup>nd</sup> in Faculty Club Ballroom. 6:30pm**

Enjoy great music and food at our Paris Jazz evening. Bringing you the best in musical performances at the Faculty club, Montreal Jazz Festival performer Louise Sauv  has charmed many audiences. An artist of passion, this talented singer will perform jazz standards that will melt your heart.

*Cost: Dinner and concert 34.00\$ per person plus taxes.*

For menu information and reservations, click [here](#)

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#### **Annual Holiday Celebration and Buffet Luncheon**

**Thursday December 6th, Faculty club Ballroom, from Noon – 14h00.**

The ever-popular Annual Holiday Buffet is back again this year! The McGill Faculty Club welcomes you and yours to join in on this festive event. The McGill Carolers will get you in the holiday spirit with their yuletide melodies, while the executive chef and his team whip up a great holiday spread to satisfy your taste buds.

**\$32.50 per person.**

**To see the menu and make your reservations today,**

Click [here](#)



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#### **Brunch and Children's Christmas Party**

**Sunday, December 9th, Faculty Club Ballroom. Please arrive between 11:00 and 11:45 am**

The Faculty Club invites members and their families to join in on the festivities planned for the annual Children's Christmas Party. A delicious brunch will be served between 11:00 - 11:45 am. The meal will then be followed by a surprise show as well as a visit from Santa Claus. What child can resist reciting a list of presents to St-Nick? We ask parents to bring a gift, wrapped and well identified for their children, valued at no more than 15\$. Gifts may be left at reception upon arrival for Santa to give to their children.

#### **Members Only!**

**Children 11 years and under are Free!**

**Children 12 years and over as well as adults: \$29.50.**

**To see the menu and make your reservations today, click [here](#).**

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I would like to take this opportunity to introduce and welcome our newest member to the Faculty club team. **Natasha Sharma** is now in charge of membership services, she comes from the Hotel and the music industry. Natasha is a great asset for the club as she loves to interact with people; she is full of energy and always eager to help. So any queries that you have, please do not hesitate to discuss it with her. She can be reached at local 6660 or by email [Natasha.sharma@mcgill.ca](mailto:Natasha.sharma@mcgill.ca).



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#### **[Upcoming Events in December]**

- Faculty Club Holiday Lunch – Thursday, December 6<sup>th</sup>
- Brunch and Children's Christmas Party – Sunday, December 9<sup>th</sup>

Update your agenda regularly by visiting the McGill Faculty Club website: <http://mcgill.ca/facultyclub>  
For special requests or question, please contact: [nicolas.zrihen@mcgill.ca](mailto:nicolas.zrihen@mcgill.ca)

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