

McGill Association of University Teachers – Retirees’ Section
Report from MAUTRS April 2015.

The MAUTRS has continued with its very successful program of offering bridge to players of all levels on alternate Tuesdays; the program has been managed with great care by Dorothy (Thomas-Edding). We have had a lunch get together in the Fall of 2014 held in the Faculty Club and are planning this ever popular activity for the May 11 of this year again in the downtown Faculty Club. We will also have a lunch get together at the Tadjia Hall of Mac Campus sometime in June. The luncheon get-togethers are very popular and are seen as a great opportunity to connect with old colleagues. Our general activities coordinator Darlene (Canning) has been busy as usual. She organized visit to the Redpath Museum to see the collections last fall and it was highly subscribed and was a tremendous success. As I am writing this report, at the end of the week (rather on Friday) Darlene has organized a visit to the Point à Callière Museum (on de la Commune St) to see the visiting Greek exhibits to be preceded by lunch. We have had an unprecedented number of requests to participate, 28 of them, eagerly awaiting this exciting event. Thanks Darlene for all the hard work.

As has been reported before, MAUTRS has been the driving force behind the creation of MURA (the McGill University Retirees' Association). An organizational meeting was held in early November of last year when an interim Executive Committee was formed to handle many administrative and organizational matters. This Committee is now expecting to call an inaugural AGM in June 2015 to form a formal association called MURA and to present interim plans. It is expected that MURA will be formally launched on June 15 of this year. Nick (Acheson) was named to the SBAC by MAUT about a year ago and continues to contribute with his expertise to this important committee. Nick is one of the interim vice-presidents of MURA and is expected to be formally named to the SBAC when the MURA is officially formed as the representative of MURA. While the MAUTRS (the Executive Committee) has taken the position that all members of MAUTRS will automatically be members of MURA by making reasonable financial arrangements with the proposed MURA, I hasten to add that the MAUTRS will continue to exist and will continue to offer programs and activities as has been done over the past several years. I want to conclude that MAUTRS would continue to be a part of MAUT if it needs to be restated.

Respectfully submitted

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