

The Patron News

A "MARINERS' HOUSE OF MONTREAL" NEWSLETTER

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January/February/March 2014

	Jan/Feb/Mar 2014	2014 -To Date	2013 -To Date
Service Operations			
Ship visits by chaplains and staff	365	365	367
Ships serviced by vans	248	248	317
Seaman transported	2,200	2,200	2,560
Prayer services held (attendance)	23 (150)	23 (150)	41 (222)
No. of long-distance calls placed for seaman (direct dial & phone cards) :	356	356	466
Hours of internet time provided (not including Wifi)	81	81	118
Attendance			
-Daytime	309		
-Evenings	<u>1,147</u>		
-Total	1,456	1,456	1,599
Nationality Breakdown			
Indian	696	Sri Lankan	9
Filipino	298	British & Irish	8
Canadian	175	Polish	6
Ukrainian	54	Thai	6
Russian	35	Serbian	5
Croatian	27	German	4
Italian	26	Honduran	4
Montenegrin	26	Belgian	3
Latvian	23	Turkish	3
Indonesian	22	Chinese	2
Dutch	10		
		Madagascan	2
		Romanian	2
		Samoan	2
		Swedish	2
		Bangladeshi	1
		Bruneian	1
		Bulgarian	1
		Burmese	1
		Moldovian	1
		Pakistani	1

WE RECEIVED:

- ⚓ food from volunteer, **Mr. Joe d'Assis**;
- ⚓ a jacket and magazines from **Mr. Hardy Bochnig**;
- ⚓ a bicycle from **Mr. Piercy C. Ellsworth**, on board the M/V Algoma Montrealais;
- ⚓ a bag of clothes from **Riverview PPO School**, brought by Club Assistant/Driver, **Mrs. Cindy Fairhurst**;
- ⚓ two bags of clothes and winter jackets from **Ms. Chery Kulagowski**;
- ⚓ a bag of clothes and six boxes of books from **Mr. Steve Masters**;
- ⚓ six boxes of books from **Barrhaven Christian Reformed Church**;
- ⚓ four large bags of books from **Mr. Brandon Rowley**;
- ⚓ magazines from **Capt. Reuben Santos**;
- ⚓ two boxes of books, puzzles, a game and a case of Girl Guide cookies from **Mr. & Mrs. Graham and Margaret Martin**;
- ⚓ four brand new shirts from **Mr. Jeff Fisher**;
- ⚓ a big bag of magazines from **Mr. Willy Capistrano** of the Filipino-Canadian Tennis Association, brought by **Capt. Reuben Santos**;
- ⚓ clothes and a winter jacket from **Mr. Paul Delisle**;
- ⚓ a microwave oven from **Mr. Michel Brunet**;
- ⚓ nine big bags of jackets and warm clothes from **Mr. Tom Brodeur** and his friends;
- ⚓ magazines, a winter jacket and three computer monitors from **Mr. Stephen Wray**;
- ⚓ two boxes of shoes, boots and clothes from **Mr. and Mrs. Dave and Jere Brown** of Fonthill, Ontario, brought by **Mr. Lloyd Burghart**;
- ⚓ clothes and toiletries from **Youth Group of Dixon's Corners Christian Reformed Church**;
- ⚓ a bag of clothes and jackets from Club Assistant/Driver, **Ms. Mei Mendoza**;
- ⚓ CSL newsletters from **Ms. Maria Attardo**;
- ⚓ two bags of clothes and office supplies from **Mr. & Mrs. Carl and Gertrude Katz**;
- ⚓ a telephone from volunteer, **Mme Claude Ouellette**;
- ⚓ toothpaste from **Chaplain Michelle DePooter**;
- ⚓ Indian food from the **Captain** and **Cook** of the **M/V MSC Claudia**;

Thank you everyone!

WE GAVE:

- ⚓ winter jackets to crew members of the M/V Aurora N, M/V MSC Nita, M/V MSC Ronit, M/V MSC Aniello, M/V Federal Yukina, M/V MT Sichem New York, M/V Nord Mumbia, M/V British Serenity, M/V Vlieborg and M/V Gotland Carolina;
- ⚓ gloves, scarves, hats and socks to M/V Vlieborg and M/V British Serenity;
- ⚓ shirts and clothes to crew from M/V Bufflehead, M/V MSC Aniello, M/V Maersk Pembroke, M/V MSC Alyssa, M/V Posillipo, M/V Gotland Carolina, M/V Nord Montreal and M/V Charlotte Theresa;
- ⚓ monitor and keyboard to crew from M/V MSC Alyssa;
- ⚓ jigsaw puzzles to crew of the M/V Nord Montreal and M/V Charlotte Theresa;
- ⚓ jigsaws, clothes, food, books and magazines to various seafarers.

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CASH CALENDAR WINNERS:

The following persons and companies are the lucky winners for the month of **January:**

Paul Beaton	Linda Kemp	Nevila Vejuka
Eric Desrosiers	Yun Liu	Kevin Maluorni
Lynda Purdy	Alexander Bos	Antonia Noguero
Elaine Boule Vardy	Yining Feng	Dan McCarthy
Julie Taylor	Henrik Andersen	

February:

Bob Quenneville	Sylvain Hutchison	Canadian Shipowners Ass.
Chantal Lefebvre	Jessica Ross	Enzo Lancione
Kim Gleeson	Brant Randles	Nancy Mule
Diane Faubert	Amy Coyle	Andy Klove

and March:

Manon Lefort (\$500)	Fernand Perron	Raquel De Leon
Joelle Ghanem	Richard Hollobon	Monica Yen
Brenda Muise	Peter Pamel	Jason Smith
Erik Kleivstul	Tassos Anthropolos	Nicola Dolbec
Vincenzo Minotti	Frank Martini	

GRUNT CLUB NEWS:

As our patrons know, the Grunt Club is a major supporter of Mariners' House and most of the profits generated by their activities are generously donated to us.

The Annual Spring Golf Tournament will be held at Club de Golf Le Parcours du Cerf in Longueuil on Wednesday, June 18th. The tournament is open to members and non-members and, if you're not a golfer, join them for drinks, dinner and door prizes for only \$70.

Mr. Alexander Zeagman is Chairman of the event (514-935-6933/ e-mail: azeagman@seagulf.com.)

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NEWS & ACTIVITIES:

- ❖ A gruelling winter caused pipes at the Old Port to break and Mariners' House was without running water for two days in January.
- ❖ Various groups continue to hold meetings at the centre. In February, twenty members of the Institute of Chartered Shipbrokers watched the movie "A Hijacking". In March, on the brink of Spring, we welcomed eight members of the Naval Association of Canada. On March 19th, simultaneous meetings were held: five members of The League of Merchant Mariner Veterans of Canada gathered in our library while ten members of the Canadian Institute of Marine Engineering held a luncheon meeting in our 'Quiet Room'.
- ❖ Our first volunteers of the year – on their third tour of duty - were Mr. & Mrs. Martin and Wilma Mudde from Ottawa, who expertly covered our needs for the first two weeks in January. Then, first-time volunteer, Mr. Winston Visser from Athens, Ontario, proffered his assistance for a week and did an excellent job. Mr. & Mrs. Curtis and Maureen Fowler soared in from Brantford, Ontario, and, once again this year, covered the two months of February and March with their usual flair. We are very grateful to all these generous people. Our thanks are also extended to those local volunteers who fill in the gaps – Mme Claude Ouellette, Mr. Joe d'Assis, Mr. Linford Augustus and Mr. Dennis Dubinsky.



David Rozeboom (kneeling right), Assistant Chaplain, Ministry to Seafarers, with crew members, all proudly wearing Port of Montreal tuques