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## MEMBERSHIP COORDINATOR'S REPORT

### OCRA™ - 8<sup>th</sup> GENERAL MEETING

Mohawk College, Hamilton

OCTOBER 28, 2010

Our life memberships have grown by fifty members since last year – from 361 to 411 individuals. Since July, we've welcomed 31 new members, and a further 43 are to be processed shortly.

During the course of the year, we had two membership mailings. The first was sent in January and a second, follow-up, was sent in May to individuals who had not responded to the first mailing. The General Meeting notification mailing also included a membership form to pass along to a friend to encourage them to join. As a result of that mailing, in addition to adding some new members, a number of individuals took that opportunity to renew their membership.

A special thanks goes out to the following colleges and their retiree associations for collecting membership dues on behalf of OCRA and ensuring our records are kept up to date.

Centennial	Arthur Donin
Lambton	Des Pigott
Mohawk	Joanne Wolfarth
St. Clair	Gayle Harrick
St. Lawrence	Clare Rayner

We are introducing a new *permanent laminated* card, starting for the 2011 year. This card will show the *issue* date, rather than the expiry date. In the long term, this should save mailing costs of new cards each year. You will, of course be sent reminders to renew your membership annually!

As I complete my first year as membership coordinator, I thank everyone for their patience and assistance. I especially wish to extend my thanks to outgoing coordinator, Hilda Moessner, who generously spent time to help me "learn the ropes". OCRA is always interested in ways to increase membership. Please let me, or anyone else on the Board know of any suggestions you may have to assist in making OCRA grow.

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