

Society and President of the Queen's Health
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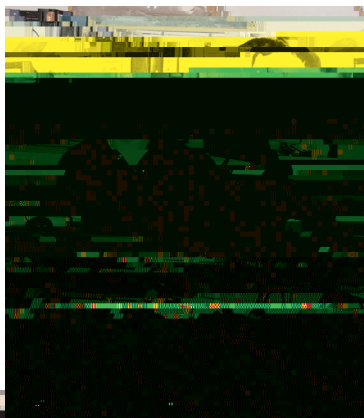
in january a joint meeting was held with the administration and employee groups to discuss the changes proposed for the Queen's Pension Plan. RAQ was represented and will also be at a follow up session scheduled for April 27. Clearly the plan has a significant unfunded liability.

There are many reasons behind this situation, although a major "problem" is that actuarially we are all living too long! Apparently, the mortality experience for retired Queen's staff is substantially lower than that of similar age groups of retired people across Canada. Changes are essential for the ongoing health of the plan, but changes proposed and provided to all of us over a year ago, have run into heavy resistance from faculty and staff groups. The only proposed change affecting current retirees was a shift from an arithmetic to a geometric method of calculating the four year rolling average for determining pension increases. RAQ is in agreement with the universi-

Retirees learn about Orthopaedic Research

Fifteen curious retirees toured the Human Mobility Research Centre (HMRC) in February at the Syl and Molly Apps Annex of KGH. Dr. Tim Bryant, Chair of the Scientific Committee, explained that the Centre is a partnership between the hospital and Queen's. It is a multidisciplinary research centre involving professors and their students and support staff from engineering disciplines, computing sciences, rehabilitation, and surgeons whose research is aimed at improving mobility and quality of life for those with orthopaedic health problems.

Dr. Steve Waldman described how he grows cartilage in the laboratory which is then implanted into model animals to determine the conditions under



raq members continue to meet informally for lunch at various restaurants, usually on the last Monday of each month. Everyone is

welcome. Contact Jessica Roddy, jroddy@kingston.net or phone 353-6959 to reserve your place and/or to be notified of the location of the lunches.

Please enjoy the following events planned for spring/summer:

John Meisel speaks on Greed: Revisited

Monday May 29
Monday Morning Forum
University Club,
8:30 am Coffee etc.
9:00 am Forum
9:30 am Discussion.
All Welcome.

River Revue 2006

Luncheon Cruise and Theatre performance *Wingfield's Inferno*.

Wednesday July 5, 12:00 noon
departure from cruise dock,
bottom of Brock Street, Kingston,
2:30 performance at 1,000 Islands
Playhouse (Springer Theatre),

Gananoque, then post-performance bus transportation back to Kingston.
\$72 per ticket
(\$48 for 1000 Islands' subscribers.

Wingfield's Inferno - A e t t
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Why not plan a table of 6 for this delightful cruise down the St. Lawrence and to see Canada's favourite stage character in the newest saga of life in the country. Register by Friday May 12 - see enclosed form.

Opinicon Pot Luck Picnic
Wednesday, July 26, 11:00 am