BRANCH REPORT

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Message from the President

Dear members,

Throughout 2026, your Outaouais branch continued its mission to provide you with quality services and a variety of activities. I would like to thank everyone who participated in these activities. I would also like to highlight the contribution of our volunteers, who help prepare and run various social events as well as support our program to reach out to members who are late in renewing their membership.

In terms of advocating for our members' interests, we met with federal elected officials to remind them of the priorities of your Outaouais branch, which are aligned with national priorities. Among other things, we discussed the disparity in dental plan coverage between retirees and active public servants, as well as the CÚRAM software, which has experienced significant glitches in Old Age Security payments and which, in a later phase, will be used to process benefit payments to federal retirees.

Finally, we reviewed the proposal for governance renewal presented by our national leadership. While some initiatives seem promising to us, we firmly expressed our opposition to the potential elimination of the branch's board of directors—a breeding ground for volunteers dedicated to achieving concrete results for our 11,300 members in the Outaouais region.



Kind regards,

Réal Fortin
President of the Outaouais Branch

Do we have your most recent contact details?

To ensure that you receive our newsletter, our targeted messages and that we can contact you, if necessary, please make sure we have your most recent contact information by calling 819-776-4128 or by e-mail at admin@anrf-outaouais.ca

BANNIÈRE DE PARTENAIRE

Top Story

Your branch's strategic meeting

The members of your board of directors and the branch's staff gathered on June 11 for their annual strategic meeting (Lac-à-l'épaule).

On this occasion, participants first reviewed the strategic plan adopted in 2024 before discussing the branch's growth and ways to better meet the needs and interests of our members, both now and in the years to come.

This day of reflection and discussion also helped identify several concrete courses of action to further the section's development in a spirit of collaboration, innovation, and close ties with members.

We would like to extend our heartfelt thanks to our preferred partner, Chartwell, which hosted us at the Domaine des Trembles residence for this important workday.

CHARTwell

"Better understanding our members' needs today to build an even stronger branch tomorrow."

Report on the Annual General Meeting Held on April 8

The Annual General Meeting was held on April 8 at the Cabane en bois rond. Three board members were reelected for two-year terms: Lyne McMillan (Vice President), Alan Conway (Director, Advocacy), and René Caron (Treasurer).

The board welcomed Larry Rousseau, who will assist Alan Conway with advocacy work, as well as Robin Ross, who was appointed to the board a few weeks later. We thank the outgoing board members, Suzie Beaulieu and Nathalie Thibault, for their contributions.

We also thank Dignité for its conference on digital legacy, for running its booth, for the continental breakfast provided to our members, and for the gift basket awarded during the draw.

Dignité

The board now has nine members, with two vacancies. The complete list of members for 2026–2027 is included at the end of this report.



PRIX DU MÉRITE 2026

We are pleased to recognize the exceptional commitment of Mr. Jacques Lecompte, recipient of the 2026 Award of Merit.

Through his dedication, generosity, and remarkable contribution to our chapter, he embodies the values that bring us together.

Welcome to our two new directors on the board of directors!



Larry Rousseau



Robin Ross

Don't miss our events this fall!

BREAKFAST-CONFERENCE

October 7, 2026

9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Dre Patricia Berbari

Feeling good about yourself in retirement

SALON FADOQ OUTAOUAIS

October 24-25, 2026

10:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Visit our booth!

salonfadoqoutaouais.ca

CHRISTMAS BANQUET

December 5, 2026

Palais des congrès de Gatineau

There will be tables reserved for individual guests

Join us each month from September 2026 through June 2027 for a series of engaging webinars. All details are sent to our members via mass email.

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Visit our websites regularly to discover all our latest offers and promotions.



Two of our volunteers:
Mireille LaPierre et Julie Purdy

Thank you to all of our volunteers!

Your time, energy, and dedication help our branch grow and enrich the lives of our members every day.

Would you like to join us?
No matter how much time you can spare, we’d be happy to welcome you to our team of volunteers.
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UPCOMING EVENTS

Breakfast conference: Wednesday, October 7, 2026 at the Cabane en bois rond on "Women's Health and Men's Well-Being." More details to come.

Outaouais Branch Christmas Banquet: Saturday, December 5, 2026 at the Palais des Congrès in Gatineau. More details to come.

Stay tuned to "Latest news from the Outaouais branch" newsletters, our Facebook and Web posts for more details or contact us via the contact information on the first page of this document for more information about upcoming Branch events.

Our Webinars

Sign up for our webinars on various topics of interest to retirees! Lasting one hour, they are greatly appreciated by our members.

Do you have a webinar topic you'd like to share with us for a future videoconference? Don't hesitate to contact us at 819-776-4128 or by e-mail at admin@anrf-outaouais.ca

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List of Board Members, Employees, and Volunteers of the Outaouais Branch 2026-2027

Board of Directors

President:	Réal Fortin
Vice-president:	Lyne McMillan
Secretary:	Jacques Lecompte
Treasurer:	René Caron
Administrator:	Diane Boudreault
Administrator:	Alan Conway
Administrator:	Pierre Quesnel
Administrator:	Larry Rousseau
Administrator:	Robin Ross

Employees

Director General:	André Thivierge
Assistant Director General:	Lynn McCarragher
Member Services Manager:	Sylvie Poulin

Volunteers

CRM Reports:	Guy Gaumont
Web Site Developer:	Éric Hamel