

Canadian Pacific Pensioners

Association of Calgary



Newsletter Fall 2014

Message from the President

During the summer break the members of the executive committee convened a number of times to organize the association member's information and other administrative tasks at the office. We now have all pertinent information about members logged in the computers for easy access and updates. I appreciate all the extra efforts rendered by the Association directors in particular Frank Mark, Ken Brown and Dinah Breu.

Our Secretary/Treasurer has decided to take retirement from the club. Inna worked for the CP Pensioners Association Calgary for more than ten years. She was a dedicated, detailed oriented Secretary who will be greatly missed. We wish her a healthy retirement. Your Association is now looking for a Secretary/Treasurer. Please contact me or any director of the Association if you are interested.

We have made arrangements with CP Rail Social Club to inform the Pensioners Association about their upcoming activities and functions. Dinah Breu, Communication Director and her phoning committee will forward this information to the Association members. Please ensure Dinah has your correct email id and phone number.

Early in the New Year the social committee will be completing the activities and tours for 2015. In order to finalize this, we are asking for your input and recommendations. A generic list of activities has been inserted in this news letter for you to pick. Please mark only 5 in the priority order and email either to Dinah Breu or Pat Brown. Alternatively, you can send it by post to the Association office.

In closing, I would like to invite you to join your fellow pensioners at the monthly luncheon and share your railway memories. In the mean time "Happy Retirement."

Surinder Rehill

**Mail to: Secretary Treasurer,
Canadian Pacific Pensioners Association
Main Floor Building 3
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Club Phone 403-262-1238**

Coming Events 2015

Members Survey

Canadian Pacific Pensioners Association Calgary would like to organize the social activities and functions for the year 2015. We are asking for your input in finalizing these programs.

Please select any 5 activities you would like to attend, rank them in your priority order and email either to Pat Brown at, krab50@shaw.ca OR Dinah Breu at, breu.dinah@gmail.com. Alternatively, you can mail to the association office via Canada Post.

- Stampeders Football game.** **Flames Hockey game.** **Comedy show.**
- Family Picnic/barbeque.** **Golfing.** **Pool Competition.** **Dart Competition.**
- Bingo.** **Great Canadian Barn Dance Bus Tour.** **Rosebud Theatre Tour.**
- William Watson Lodge Bus Tour.** **The Hutterite Colony Tour.** **Potluck.**
- Lake Louise Bus Tour.** **Rocky Mountaineer Rail Tour.** **New Year Party.**
- Pasu Farm Carstairs Tour.** **Valentine Lunch/ Dinner.**
- Thanksgiving Lunch in Canmore.** **Children/Grandchildren Christmas Party.**
- Volunteering at the Calgary Food Bank.**
- Other activity**_____.

PLEASE NOTE

The CP Pensioners Club Rooms at Ogden Will be Open on Mondays, Wednesdays & Thursdays
in the Mornings from 9AM until 12 PM (Noon)

APRIL CLUB MEETING AND LUNCH

The regular monthly meeting of the Calgary C.P. Pensioners Association was held on Tuesday April 8, 2014 at the Ogden Club Rooms. This was our annual Easter event and Easter themes were displayed around the room. The event was attended by about 40 members and the early spring weather certainly cooperated with attendance numbers.

Lunch was served and members were treated to a meal of meat balls and spaghetti with garlic toast and hot cross buns for dessert. Thanks as usual to the ladies of the kitchen who prepared and served the lunch.

After lunch we had speaker, William Watson, from the Company EFAP (Employee and Family Assistance Plan). This department deals with employees that require psychological assistance with, Family and Marital problems, including Violence, Substance Abuse, Gambling Problems, and Critical Incidents. Pensioners are also eligible for this program.

Phone number is 403- 543 8488 or toll free at 1-800- 735- 0286.

After the speaker we had a 50/50 draw and the winners were ;
Ken Brown \$35.00
Melchor Villa ... \$35.00
Louis Hlasny... Bottle of wine.

by Bill Benner

May Club Meeting And Lunch

The regular monthly meeting of the C.P. Pensioner's Association was held on Tuesday May 13, 2014 at the Ogden Club Rooms. The meeting was well attended, with 45 members in attendance. No doubt the beautiful spring weather was partly responsible for the turnout.

Unfortunately our guest speakers were unable to attend. These speakers were representatives of C.P. Rail who were to inform us of the many changes that are occurring in the Ogden Shop Area. This meeting has been rescheduled.

A speech was given by Lyle Berge President of the National Council Of C.P. Pensioners on the results of the meeting held last summer. The National Council meets every 2 years in various parts of Canada to negotiate benefits for C.P. pensioners

Lunch was served at noon consisting of Pizza, salad, apple pie ice-cream and cake prepared and served by the wonderful ladies of our kitchen. This lunch was well appreciated by all the members in attendance.

A 50/50 draw and a raffle for a bottle of wine was held and the winners were:

Jim McKinnon ...\$30.00 John Sparks\$30.00
Ray Beirnes ...1 Bottle of wine

by Bill Benner

Club Directors for 2014

Surinder Rehill	President	403 280 2976	Bill Benner	Director	403 271 5343
Dinah Breu	1 st Vice Pres.	403 256 1684	John Sparks	Director	403 278 7021
Hugh Carey	2 nd Vice Pres.	403 278 4709	Kathy Hogan-Gregory	Director	403 240 1454
Ken Brown	Past Pres.	403 225 1252	Frank Mark	Director	403 946 4561
Lyle Berge	Past Pres.	403 271 3604			

ELIGIBILITY FOR PREFERRED GROUP RATES ON HOME AND AUTO INSURANCE

As an employee or pensioner of Canadian Pacific you are eligible for preferred group rates on home and auto insurance from our program insurance broker, **Marsh's Private Client Services (PCS)**.

Please call **PCS** toll-free at **1 877 475 6727** or submit your expiry date online at www.marsh.ca/quote and a licensed insurance broker will contact you prior to your next renewal.

Note that this insurance program also features:

- . The convenience of an all-in-one home and auto policy.
- . 24-hour emergency claims service; accident forgiveness.
- . Access to emergency babysitting, nursing, and homemaking services

Ask your Marsh representative for more details.

Canadian Pacific is pleased to make these preferred rates available to you through Marsh's Private Client Services (PCS) and hope you find them beneficial. Please call **1 877 476 6727** for your no-obligation quote.

*In 2012 and 2013, 40.20% of those who called PCS for a quote in Canada, bought their insurance through them.

*Please note that auto insurance is not available in provinces where government automobile plans exist.

In Memory

Alex Gray

Jessie Head

Bob Winick

FROM THE OFFICE OF ROBERT J CAMERON



CANADIAN PACIFIC PENSION REPRESENTATIVE

I would like to thank each and every pensioner who nominated me to be your representative the next for the next 3 years starting September 1, 2014 to August 31, 2017. As I was the only pensioner to receive the required 25 nominations there will be no ballot sent out to elect a representative. I was elected by acclamation.

I have been your representative since September 9, 2012 and have enjoyed the job of representing you for the last 2 years.

My commitment to each of you from me is to represent you to the best of my ability for whatever problem or question you may have.

You can contact me at the following:

Robert J Cameron Phone Number 250-837-4248
Fax Number 250-837-4220
e-mail rjc48@telus.net

Thank you

Robert J Cameron

Canadian Pacific Railway Pension Representative

SEMI -ANNUAL MEETING JUNE 10 2014

The Semi- Annual General Meeting of the C.P. Pensioners Association was held in the Ogden Club Rooms on Tuesday June 10, 2014. The meeting was attended by 38 members. The meeting was opened at 10:30 by President Surinder Rehill who then asked for one minute of silence in memory of all members deceased within the last 6 months.

Secretary Treasurers Report - Presented by Frank Mark - Frank reported that we had 253 members, with 40 new members and 21 members over 90 years of age.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES -

Internal Communications - Surinder reported that the National Council of C.P Pensioners requested pensioners over 90 should be counted in our membership fees. He also reported on the retirement of our Secretary Treasurer Irna Wiebe due to health issues. Surinder praised her years of service and said how much we will miss her.

Sick and Visiting - John Sparks reported on members who required visitation and their present health and welfare. If you know of anyone that would appreciate a visit please let us know.

Travel Committee - Ken Brown reported on past trips and our obligations to the bus company to provide a minimum of 30 people in order to have a trip, At this point we have to partner with other people in order to gather enough people to ensure a trip. A recent bus trip was cancelled because of a lack of interest. A trip agenda will be posted in the club rooms and you will be able to register for future trips, or phone the club rooms for information.

Property - Ken Brown reported on additions and maintenance of the Club Rooms, also Ken reported on donations to the Club that require some decisions as to what we should do with them . eg. - keep them, give to the Glenbow Museum, or sell. Thanks to Doug Hartley's family for these recent donations to the Club.

Social Committee - Pat Brown reported on the last 6 lunches in which we fed 240 members and made \$1200.00 which does a great deal in supporting our Association. Pat thanked her assistants Janet Sparks, Marian Benner, Dinah Breu, Ruth Pattie and Doreen Gruszecki for all their help.

Newsletter Committee - Bill Benner reported on the cost of 200 copies printed for the Spring Edition and that postage increase accounted for an increase in our total cost.

Nomination Committee - Bill Benner asked the members to consider the nomination of one more board member for the new upcoming session in January . Also he asked for a member to apply for the Secretary Treasurer's job, and a monthly Honorarium is paid for this position.

Auditors Committee - The auditors reported that the books of the Association were in good order.

New Business - An Announcement was made that the club rooms would be shut down for the summer months of July and August . We talked about the possibility of obtaining a new P.A. system for the next season,

Good and Welfare of the Association - Lyle Berge reported on the next National Council meeting that would be held in Montreal next May and ideas would be required

for input . He mentioned that the Company may be ready for some movement on some previous Blue Cross requests.

We had an excellent speaker, Blain MacIsaac from the Company Pension Department who talked about the state of the pension plan. He reported that it is fully funded and, in the worst case scenario, we would be covered for future years. Our plan is number 21 in Canada's top 100 pension plans with total assets of 11 billion dollars. Looks real good!!

Lunch was served with beef on a bun and potato salad with a dessert of strawberry shortcake. Thanks to the ladies of the kitchen.

A 50/50 draw was held and both draws were won by Melchor Villa. The prizes were \$60 and \$30 was donated to the club.Thanks Melchor

by Bill Benner

September Club Meeting and Lunch

The first regular meeting for the season of the Calgary C.P. pensioners Association was held on September 9, 2014 at our Ogden Club Rooms. Although we had just come through a severe summer snow fall which was very unusual for this time of year, we had a good turn out with 41 members in attendance.

Lunch was prepared and served by our reliable and efficient ladies of the kitchen consisting of assorted meat pies with beans and a dessert of cake and ice cream. Thanks to everyone involved in the preparation and clean up.

We had a special guest speaker from the Epp law firm who gave a very informative presentation on wills, Enduring Power of Attorney and Personal Directives. This information was very well received and gave an awareness of some of the errors that people can make during this process and some of the precautions to take.

A 50/50 draw was held and the winners were;

Yuen Lok \$ 30.00

Roy Lindblad\$30.00 \$10.00 was donated back to the club . Thanks Roy!!

by Bill Benner

WARNING FROM POLICE

THIS APPLIES TO BOTH WOMEN AND MEN

BEWARE OF PAPER ON THE BACK WINDOW OF YOUR VEHICLE-

NEW WAY TO DO CARJACKINGS (THIS IS NOT A JOKE)

Heads up everyone! Please, keep this in mind. You walk across the parking lot, unlock your car and get inside. You start the engine and shift into reverse. When you look into the rear view mirror to back out of your parking space, you notice a piece of paper stuck to the middle of the rear window. So you shift into park, unlock your doors, and jump out of your car to remove that paper (or whatever it is) that is obstructing your view.

When you reach the back of your car, that is when the carjackers appear out of nowhere and jump into your car and take off. They practically mow you down as they speed off in your car.

And guess what ladies? I bet your purse is still in the car. So now the carjacker has your car, your home address, your money and your keys.

Your home and your whole identity are now compromised!

BEWARE OF THIS NEW SCHEME THAT IS NOW BEING USED.

Here is what to do.

If you see a piece of paper stuck to your back window, just carefully back up and drive away. Remove the paper later when it is safe to do so (home possibly).

I hope you will pass this on to your friends and family, especially to women.

Your purse contains all kinds of personal information and identification documents, and you certainly do **NOT** want it to fall into the wrong hands



Upper left and right photos Irna's retirement presentation.
Lower left and right photos Stampede Luncheon in June 2014.



<u>Executive Officers</u>		
President	Surinder Rehill	403-280-2976
1st Vice President	Dinah Breu	403-256-1684
2nd Vice President	Hugh Carey	403-278-4709
Secretary Treasurer	TBA	403-262-1238

<p>We're only a telephone Call Away.....</p> <p>CPR Head Office Switchboard Number 403-319-7000</p> <p>Pension Services Numbers:</p> <p>CPR Toll Free Number 1-888-511-7557</p> <p>CPR Calgary Area 403-319-3035</p> <p>CPR Calgary FAX Number 403-319-3669</p> <p>CPR Toll Free FAX Number 1-800-511-7569</p> <p>CPR Pension Services e-mail: pension@cpr.ca</p> <p>EFAP – Canada Toll Free Number 1-800-735-0286</p>	<p>For information on Pension related matters all CPR Pensioners and Survivors can phone one national toll Free Number available from all parts of Canada and the United States.</p> <p>Here are a few examples of how we can help you over the Telephone:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> . Change of Your Address . Inquiries concerning your Direct Banking Deposit Service . Income Tax (Additional Deductions or Inquiries) . Inquiries about the Status of your Health Care Coverage . Inquiries about Pension (Payments Calculations etc) . Notification of Death. 	<p>Written Inquiries Should be Addressed to:</p> <p>Canadian Pacific Railway Human Resources Service Centre Pension Services 7550 Ogdendale Road SE. Calgary AB T2C 4X9</p> <p>*Requests for ID Cards, Claim Forms, the Status of individual claims and Questions concerning Benefits should be directed to Blue Cross's Toll Free Number.</p> <p>Blue Cross of Canada Toll Free Number 1-888-873-9200</p>
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Canadian Pacific Magazine

The new Canadian Pacific Magazine is on the CP Pensioners Website. Go to www.cp-pensioners.com Click on news and events and there it is. It's 52 pages with lots of pictures and people stories. It's 12.6 MB so it will take time to download. You may want to pass this information along to other people.

<p>The executive of the National Council of Canadian Pacific Pensioners and Survivors is pleased to announce it has concluded an agreement with Blue Cross. This is an opportunity for members to benefit from affordable access to quality travel medical emergency coverage.</p> <p>The next time you think of traveling, think Blue Cross and inquire about the discounted rate for CP Pensioners and Survivors.</p> <p>Remember to state you are a CP pensioner or Survivor.</p> <p>Blue cross is unlike any other travel insurance, with unparalleled coverage that makes it the preferred choice of vacationers everywhere.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">CALL NOW</p> <p style="text-align: center;">and start planning your worry-free vacation!</p> <p style="text-align: center;">The only way to get your exclusive 10% discount is by calling this special toll-free number:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">1-866-544-7720</p> <hr/> <p style="text-align: center;">The 10% discount will not apply if you purchase your travel insurance through your local Blue Cross office or travel agent.</p>
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At the Club functions:

For anyone who mobility issues: a very good ramp has been installed at the front by the stairs and the door is now push button activated. Parking always seems to be an issue near the building or in the lower parking level, so if possible please use the upper lot (just as you turn in). If the walk down presents difficulty, let us know AHEAD and we will organize a pick-up to bring you down. Contact Dinah (breu.dinah@gmail.com) or Surinder (sngconsulting@hotmail.com).

****Remember, the dues are now \$15.00 per Year**

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ **Province** _____

Postal Code _____ **Phone** _____

Fax _____ **E-Mail** _____

E-Mail _____

YOU MAY REMIT YOUR DUES TO:

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HAVE A GOOD DAY AND A NICE FOREVER