



# CANADIAN PACIFIC PENSIONERS

**ASSOCIATION OF CALGARY**



## **NEWSLETTER SPRING 2013**

### *A MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENT*

**G**reetings.

Will spring ever come---and stay for more than a day?

There is good news. The Company has said we can stay in the Ogden clubroom until into 2014. We now know that Alyth yard has rooms we can use if we have to move, so that's also good news.

We continue to have our second Tuesday each month for Director's Meetings, followed by a lunch for all our pensioners. Most attendees stay for a good chat with their old friends, after lunch.

Details of the popular William Watson bus trip and steak dinner are in this newsletter.

Our Executive is also listed. It hasn't changed a lot and the club is well served now by 10 directors, 2 less than before.

Please come out for our May and June meetings and sign up for a great trip into Kananaskis.

We do not hold meetings in July or August, so join us for these last occasions.

*Ken Brown*

### *REPORT FROM THE PRESIDENT OF THE NCCPPA*

Report for Calgary chapter newsletter from the National Council of CP Pensioner Associations (NCCPPA)

Spring 2013

Greetings to you all.

Preparations are well underway for the NCCPPA biennial convention to be held May 3 and 4, 2013 at the Inn on the Quay in New Westminster, B.C. The Calgary chapter elected Surinder Rehill as their delegate for this convention, and I'm looking forward to Surinder's participation.

Other than preparations for the convention, much of our focus recently has been on communications with pensioners. As you may be aware, CPR will no longer publish the *Momentum* magazine, in particular the Pensioner Pages which included the "In Memoriam" and "Anniversaries" sections. CPR's method of communicating with employees, customers and pension-

ers will be "digital" from now on, that is, by computer. They have prepared and made available a pensioners' website [www.cp-pensioners.com](http://www.cp-pensioners.com) and this will be the method of communicating in future, including hopefully the "In Memoriam" and "Anniversaries" sections. Those without computers, who cannot, or do not use computers will have to obtain paper copies of communications from your local chapter, friends with computers, or the CP Pension department.

A reminder that our pensioner representative on the CP Pension Committee is Bob Cameron from Revelstoke. Bob can be reached at email [rlc48@telus.net](mailto:rlc48@telus.net) or telephone 250-837-4248.

Thank you.

Respectfully submitted,

*Lyle Berge*

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# COMING EVENTS 2013

## CLUB FUNCTIONS

May 14, 2013	Meeting and lunch \$5.00 per person
June 11, 2013	Meeting and lunch \$5.00 per person
July & August	Club rooms closed
September 10, 2013	Meeting and lunch \$5.00 per person
October 8, 2013	Meeting and lunch \$5.00 per person

## PLANNED TRIPS

June 14, 2013 William Watson Lodge - (if we can get over 30 participants)  
Call Irna Wiebe for details  
403- 262- 8852 (Home ) 403 – 262- 1238 – (Office )

Other Bus Trips will be announced as available.

## PLEASE PUT THESE EVENTS & DATES ON YOUR CALENDAR

### “ NOTICE TO THOSE WHO GO ON BUS TRIPS”

POST DATED CHECKS WILL BE ACCEPTED. DATED ONE WEEK BEFORE PAYMENT DUE DATE OF THE TRIP.

PLEASE BOOK EARLY WITH IRNA TO MAKE IT EASIER FOR US TO MAKE FINAL ARRANGEMENTS.

NOTE: CUT OFF DATE FOR BUS TRIPS VARIES.

FREE PARKING AT CLUB FUNCTIONS.

## *Escorted Transportation – Calgary Senior's Resource Society*

CSRS volunteers provide escorted transportation for seniors who are not able to use public transportation and require assistance during medical and banking appointments. The escorted transportation program is provided to help seniors to maintain their independence .

Their service is unique in that the volunteer accompanies the client from the time they are picked up until they are returned home. There is a \$10 fee charged for a round trip . Any donations of \$20 or more to CSRS will automatically receive a tax receipt. If you or someone you know, would benefit from Escorted Transportation or would like to volunteer with this program, please call Calgary Senior 's Resource Society at 403-266-6200.

## *In Memory*

*Not ever gone Just moved on ...*

Henry Vanhorn	Ross Taylor
Mildred Baillod	Zinton Watt
Elsie Hayes	Victor Patkau
Robert Gregory	Earl Wells
Francis Hedges	Lazar Rozan



## **Please Note**

The C P Pensioners Club Rooms at Ogden Shops will be open on Mondays, Wednesdays & Thursdays  
in the mornings from 9 AM till 12 PM ( noon )

## ANNUAL MEETING JANUARY 8, 2013

The meeting was opened by President Ken Brown at 10:45 am with about 30 members in attendance. Ken requested one minute of silence for the deceased members of 2012.

The Reading of Minutes - The minutes were adopted as printed and not read in order to save time. Printed copies were available for those interested.

### Reports of Committees

**Finance Committee** - Bruce Bennet reported on a good year although expenses were up. Net worth was \$12,144.76. Bruce mentioned that most of our income comes from memberships, and this is a concern because of our declining membership.

**Secretary Treasurers Report** - Irna Wiebe reported on club income apart from memberships such as pool fees, luncheons and raffles which exceeded \$2000.

**Sick and Visiting** - John Sparks reported on members seen on recent visits and requested the members inform the Committee as to any new members requiring a visitation.

**Travel Committee** - Ken Brown reported on 3 trips we had during 2012 and mentioned that we needed more members are required in order to fill a bus. At the present time we are sharing with other associations which appears to be working to our advantage.

**Social Committee** - Pat Brown reported on our successful luncheons, and thanked the members of our preparation staff Janette Sparks Marian Benner and Pat Brown and other various helpers.

**Newsletter Report** - Bill Benner report-

ed for Editor Don Hoare. A 2012 Spring and Fall Newsletter editions were produced and distributed at a total cost of \$490.46. PDF copies have been sent to email members and copies are available on the CPR web site.

**Communications Committee** - Dinah Breu reported on the sending of emails to all members equipped with email availability and said it was going well with very few problems. But we do require one more phoner.

**Membership Committee** Kathy Hogan-Gregory reported on the membership. On January 1 2013 we had 324 members. In 2012 we had:

- 13 new members
- 26 deceased members
- 16 files were closed
- 18 members over 90

Kathy mentioned the problem of dwindling membership.

**Audit Committee** - The Audit Committee reported that the books of the Association were in good order. The Auditors are: Ben Monsees, Bryan Frewin, and Art Tetz.

**Property Committee** - Ken Brown reported on the various repairs to club room facilities.

**Nominating Committee** - Kathy Hogan / Gregory conducted the Annual election of Board Members. Four members had their terms expire. They were: Les Davis, Charlie Belch, Ken Brown and Dinah Breu. Ken Brown and Dinah Breu let their names stand for re-election and were re-elected. Les Davis and Charlie Belch retired from the Board and as there were no nominees for these positions they were left vacant.

**Bylaw Committee** Bill Benner conducted the by-law amendments session. The following by-laws were abolished, "The Ways and Means Committee", and the "The Membership Committee". Other Bylaws were amended; they were the *Quorum by law*, changing a Quorum from 6 directors to 5 directors. Also the by-law regarding the Secretary Treasure had an addition added to include the work of the abolished Membership Committee.

President Ken Brown honoured 2 of our retiring Board members Les Davis and Charlie Belch for their past work for the Association. Each was presented with beautiful engraved clocks and Alva Belch was presented with flowers.

We had a report from NACPP by representative, Lyle Berge and a report from our new interim Pensioners Representative Robert Cameron. Our pension increase for the year 2013 will be \$15.00 per month. The pension reserves appear to be doing well and the company has topped off the pension fund as required by law by about 2 billion dollars.

An excellent lunch was prepared and served by our capable ladies in the kitchen; the lunch consisted of lasagne with salad and cake for dessert.

A 50 /50 Raffle was held and the winners were:

- Newell Haynes / \$35.00
- Don Kenny / \$35.00

*By Bill Benner*

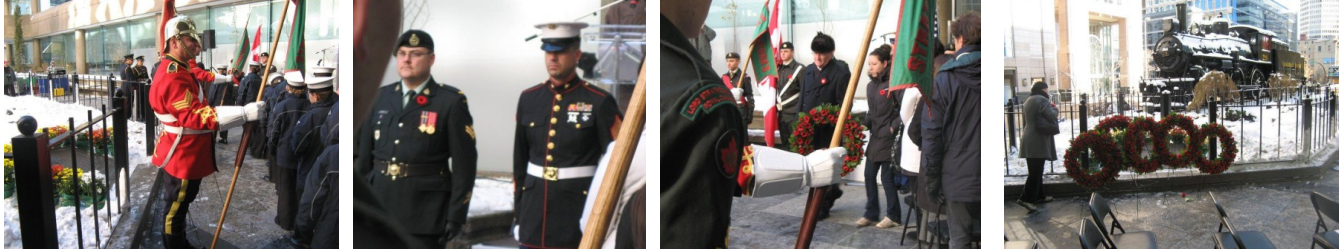
## CLUB DIRECTORS FOR 2013

<b>KEN BROWN</b>	<b>PRESIDENT</b>	<b>225-1252</b>	<b>BILL BENNER</b>	<b>DIRECTOR</b>	<b>271-5343</b>
<b>DINAH BREU</b>	<b>1st. VICE PRESIDNT</b>	<b>256-1684</b>	<b>JOHN SPARKS</b>	<b>DIRECTOR</b>	<b>278-7021</b>
<b>BRUCE BENNETT</b>	<b>2nd. VICE PRESIDNT</b>	<b>207-4067</b>	<b>KATHY HOGAN-GREGORY</b>	<b>DIRECTOR</b>	<b>240-1454</b>
<b>LYLE BERGE</b>	<b>PAST PRESIDENT</b>	<b>271-3604</b>	<b>FRANK MARK</b>	<b>DIRECTOR</b>	<b>946-4561</b>
<b>DON HOARE</b>	<b>DIRECTOR</b>	<b>288-2969</b>	<b>SURINDER REHILL</b>	<b>DIRECTOR</b>	<b>280-2976</b>

## Remembrance Day 2012 at Gulf Canada Square

Here are some pictures of the November 11, 2012 ceremonies at Gulf Canada Square. Bruce Bennett represented the pensioners. Scott MacDonald, Senior Vice-President Operations (System) was the main speaker. CP employees from both the Canadian military, and the U.S. Marines, also spoke. Members and cadets from Lord Strathcona's Horse, as well as sea cadets, also participated, as did representatives from CP Police. Attendance was still good, but slightly less that last year, likely due to cooler temperatures, around -6 C.

*Lyle Berge*



### November Pensioner's Meeting

The regular meeting of the Pensioner's Association was held in the Ogden Club rooms on November 13, 2012. The weather cooperated, and this encouraged a good turnout of 41 members, including some first time visitors, resulting in some old time acquaintanceships being renewed.

We had a guest representative from the Alberta Prairie Railway Excursions, promoting the organization and explaining why they need to raise funds to refit one of their steam locomotives which is in need of extensive boiler repairs. They were selling some of their railway mementos to promote their fund raising. Many of us are familiar with the Stettler

steam train excursions.

Members were treated to a delicious meal of ham and scalloped potatoes and peas, with a dessert of cup cakes and ice cream prepared by our regular kitchen volunteers. We charge \$5.00 per meal to cover expenses.

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

Toni Torasiniti / \$ 35.00  
Robert Trickey / \$ 35.00

*By Bill Benner*

### Trip to Banff and Lake Louise

On January 22, 2013, 24 of our CP Pensioners group joined 9 others from Varsity Presbyterian church to make a full bus load for Quality Time Tours. We left Ogden at 8:35 am and travelled to Banff for lunch at the Banff Park Lodge. Prior to lunch we had an hour to do a bit of shopping in downtown Banff. After lunch we boarded the bus again and went to Lake Louise.

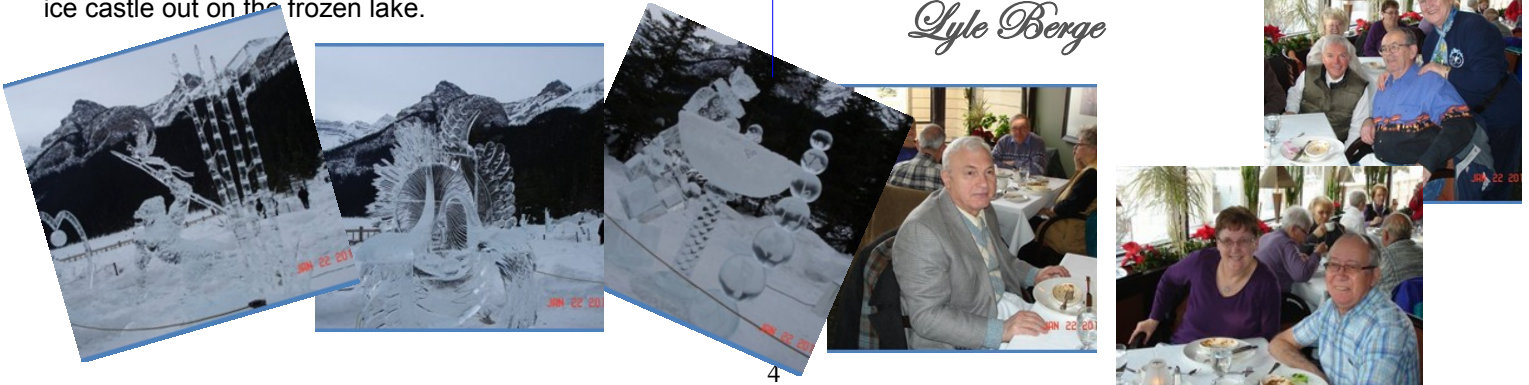
At Chateau Lake Louise, we had about an hour and a half to walk along the lake and view some beautiful ice sculptures that were part of a world ice carving competition. Teams from Canada, the U.S., Britain and Russia had carved imaginative, intricate and beautiful sculptures. There was even an ice castle out on the frozen lake.

The weather was great - overcast, calm and about -4 Celsius.

Because we were a bit of a diverse group, we didn't hold a 50/50 on the bus on the way back. However, many of us commented on the fond memories of other trips when Charlie Belch would do the 50/50, and Alva Belch would come up and down the aisle handing out candies.

It was a wonderful and relaxing trip, and I highly recommend that, if you haven't been on one of our bus trips before, you consider joining us on the next outing.

*Lyle Berge*



## WELCOME NEW MEMBERS



### *Valentine's Day Club Meeting*

The regular February St. Valentine's Day meeting was held in the Ogden Club Rooms on February 12, 2013. The meeting was very well attended with 64 members in attendance. One of the reasons for the large attendance was the news about the necessity of vacating our present location because of the requirement of C.P. to use our facility for their planned expansion from downtown Calgary to the Ogden location. This may have been the last meeting at this location.

This has been quite a problem for our Board of Directors because of the uncertain future of our organization. This may force us to reduce our inventories and operate on a smaller scale. However the company is offering some other

er sites and we should know shortly what our options are and the Membership will be notified.

An excellent lunch was prepared by our ladies in the kitchen, Pat, Janette, Marian, Dinah and Ruth. Lunch consisted of cabbage rolls, salad, cake and ice cream for dessert. A 50/50 raffle was held and the winners were:

Jean Ellingson / \$25.00  
Mel Villa / \$25.00  
John Sparks / \$25.00  
Surinder Rehill / \$25.00

Please come out and support your Association in future events.

*By Bill Benner*

### *St. Patrick's Day Meeting*



Our annual St. Patrick's Day Meeting was held in the Ogden Club Rooms on March 12, 2013. The meeting was well attended with 47 members in attendance. Although we did not have as many members this year that sported the wearing of the green, we still had the club rooms decorated in a St. Patrick's Day theme which reminded us of the occasion.

President Ken Brown gave the Grace and we were served a delicious meal of Irish stew, with apple pie and ice cream for dessert, prepared by our very capable ladies in the kitchen.

After lunch President Ken Brown explained the layout of our new club rooms and our proposed move in the near future. However after completion of the meeting our company representative arrived and gave us the latest information on our move, putting it off for an indefinite period. We will remain in the present location until further notice.

A 50/50 raffle was held and the winners were:

Wes Mummery / \$25.00 --  
Money donated back to the Club  
Peter Tish / \$25.00  
Marian Benner / \$25.00



*By Bill Benner*

### **April Club Meeting and Lunch**

The regular April Meeting of the C.P Pensioners was held in our Ogden Club Rooms on April 9, 2013 at noon with 39 Members in attendance. An excellent lunch was served consisting of spaghetti and meat balls with garlic toast and cupcakes for dessert. As usual special thanks to our people that prepared and served the meal.

We also found out that we would not be moving until late 2014, so our planning was not needed. We sold a lot of surplus items, so the thought of moving made us clean out, (probably should have done it before). The shop buildings are being re-sided to all look the same, with some new windows in the Admin building where we are located. The tracks between the Steel car shop (the new office building) and the admin building have been removed. Pensioners only are now allowed to park along the platform. The ramp is being widened by about 5 feet. The workers upstairs have been relocated in the old Air Brake Shop, now called the Training Centre.

A 50/50 draw was held and the winners were: Bill Benner / \$35.00 Jurgan Lehmann / \$35.00

*By Ken Brown*

## EXECUTIVE OFFICERS



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<b>(note these are home phone numbers, the office number is 403-262-1238)</b>		



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.

The next time you think of traveling, think Blue Cross and inquire about the discounted rate for CP Pensioners and Survivors. Remember to state you are a CP Pensioner or Survivor.

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1-888-873-9200

For information on pension-related matters, all CPR pensioners and survivors can tele-

phone one national, toll-free number available from all parts of Canada and the United States.

Here are a few examples of how we can help you over the telephone:

- Change of your home address;
- Inquiries concerning our Direct Bank Depositing Service;
- Income tax (additional deductions or inquiries);
- Inquiries about the status of your health care coverage; \*
- Inquiries about Pensions (payments, calculations, etc.);
- Notification of death.

\*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 (1-888-873-9200).

Written inquiries should be addressed to:

Canadian Pacific Railway  
Human Resources Service Centre  
Pension Services  
Suite 600, Gulf Canada Square  
401—9th Avenue  
SW Calgary AB  
T2P 4Z4



**W**henever you attend club functions or visit the club rooms, you can park for free in the Ogden Shops CP Pensioners Designated Parking Area. Turn right at bottom of ramp, watch for pedestrians.

**P**lease try to pay your dues by mail using the form below. Your Membership card will be mailed to you. It would be appreciated if you would include this further information, Date of Retirement, Date of Birth, Previous Employment, (i.e.: department, position), Employee number, Spouses name and date of birth.

### REMINDER, the DUES are NOW \$15.00 per Year.

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