

# Canadian Pacific Pensioners Association London Ont.

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## PRESIDENTS REPORT

#### THE EX-PREZ SEZ:

It has been a wonderful ride, but I've pulled into the station for the last time. It has been a pleasure, an honour and lots of fun to have been your President for six years. It's now time to let younger ideas have a chance, and younger pensioners take up a leading roll in this organization.

I know you will all join with me in wishing the new Executive all the best, and will extend a helping hand and all the courtesy that you showed to me. I won't be far away, joining your ranks at the round tables, and waiting for my number to be called for lunch.

It was an exciting last month to be President, as we wound up another successful - and very lucrative - golf tournament on September 17th, a beautiful day for golf, and hot dogs and beer!

And a number of us joined our Windsor colleagues on the Rumrunner Tour on the 24th of September, and were informed and entertained by a "cast of thousands", as the trolley took us back to the Roaring 20s and we experienced the many inventive ways

that Windsorites took advantage of Prohibition to enrich themselves. We were joined by the famous and infamous, and the hilarious, which combined to make a memorable day.

#### SECRETARY'S REPORT:

Meeting called to order at 12:55 p.m. There were 43 in attendance.

In the absence of the Treasurer, the payment for membership dues was postponed until the October 20th meeting.

President discussed upcoming golf tournament to be held at Twin Streams in Delaware on Wednesday September 17. Urged golfers to call ahead to reserve a cart.

Nancie Hackney spoke about upcoming RumRunner Tour in Windsor, and stressed that we need to be in the parking lot at the Canadian Club Visitor Centre by 10:15 a.m.

Nominations were held for a new Executive slate, as required by the Constitution. Tom Sonier was nominated, ran unopposed, and was acclaimed our new President. Nick Dionne was nominated, ran unopposed, and was acclaimed our new Treasurer. With no successful nominations, the nomination and/or election for the positions of Secretary and Vice-President were deferred for further discussion at the October meeting.

President Gary stressed the need for someone to step forward to fill these positions, since we are all unwilling to see the Association fold for lack of leadership.

Jim Harris shared some interesting statistics with the group:

- 1. of 15,157 nomination cards sent out to Pensioners in the recent election for a new Pensioner Representative, on;y 1,328 were returned, and 122 of those were spoiled. Only one person received the required 25 nominations for the position, and so Bob Cameron was unopposed and acclaimed to the position.
- 2. the audit of the pension and of pensioners for 2013 revealed the following:
- a) as of December 31st, 2013 the pension fund was \$10,579,607,000.00, which is \$900,000,000.00 higher than at the same time last year.
- b) there were 21,024 pensioners or survivors enrolled in the plan
- c) 52 pensioners or survivors are over 100 years of age
- d) 38% (approximately 8,000) pensioners are over 80 years of age
- e) 835 pensioners have been collecting their pensions over 25 years
- f) 4 pensioners and 78 survivors have collected their pensions over 40 years

Meeting closed at 1:20 p.m.

## TREASURER'S REPORT:

Following is the Treasurer's report for the October meeting:

There were 42 members for lunch at September meeting

Expenses were:

Royal Canadian Legion \$336.00

Prizes for Golf \$40.00

On September 29 Deposit \$537.00

Cash on hand \$223.00

Bank Account Balance \$4082.62 Bank balance bowling group sept 30<sup>th</sup> \$5630.98 OBITUARIES: Mrs,Betty Ryckman (Bill) passed away Oct 12,2014

### **BOWLING NEWS**

First We'd like to give a shout out to some of our bowlers who are experiencing difficulties at the moment. To Eleanor McGrenere and Ralph Van Wagner who have had recent surgeries, best wishes for a speedy recovery. To Jack Aitken who injured his knee bowling last week, best wishes for a positive diagnosis and a speedy recovery.

Charlie Rath's team has held top spot for 5 weeks out of the 7 weeks bowled so far. He also holds down high single and high triple. Nice start to the year Charlie.

We'd like to encourage everyone who knows in advance you will be away to notify your captain as early as possible so a spare bowler can be secured and the required changes made ahead of bowling day. So far we have averaged 49 bowlers out of the possible 60 out each week. We would like to improve on these numbers in the weeks ahead and we do have spare bowlers ready and able to come out and help us out.

Some great individual scores have been logged already. The top 4 **over average scores** for the past 5 weeks are:

September 16th - Charlie Rath - 201, John Elliott - 312, Jerry McGrenere - 246 and Ken Whitby - 204

September 23rd - Bob Waddell - 216, Patsy Smith - 217, Chris Goraj - 256, Jack Aitken - 208

September 30th - Louise Bolton - 305, Jim Harris - 173, Mike Dunn - 205, Norm Sayer - 194

October 7th - Wib Trimble - 174, Don Degraw - 229, Charlie Rath - 182, Bill Pow - 248

October 14th - Jim Harris - 242, Bill Pow - 281, Norm Sayer - 202, Lou Collier - 149



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