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Newsletter for Jan 20, 2014, Next meeting Feb. 24, 2014

PRESIDENTS REPORT[

THE PREZ SEZ:

Happy New Year!

We want to wish all of you a very happy, prosperous and healthy 2014.

Christmas Party

We gathered together to celebrate the Christmas season on the evening of December 9th at our annual Christmas Dinner and Christmas Party. As usual, dinner was delicious, and our guest entertainer Traci Kennedy was delightful. There were smiles, and songs and gifts galore, and everyone seemed to have a wonderful time.

Approximately 55 of us were there to share in the Christmas spirit, down from the 80 who joined us last year. Perhaps it's time to consider something different for our Party next year - a luncheon instead of an evening out might be one thing to think about...

Let's open a discussion and give ourselves lots of time to make changes if they are thought to be necessary.

Our Next Meeting

Our next meeting would normally occur on February 17th, however, that is the Provincial holiday known as "*Family Day*" and the Legion will be closed on that day. Therefore, our next meeting will occur on February 24th, 2014.

The February meeting will be chaired by Secretary Charlie McClure as both the President and Vice-President will be basking in the sun in a warm climate. Since we won't be here to do it in person, we wish you chocolate and kisses on Valentine's Day!

Let's Swing Together

We're looking at one last bus trip together this Spring, before we say goodbye for the Summer. This show is guaranteed to bring back memories, and set your toes tapping.

Carnegie Hall 1938 - The Birth of Swing

Wednesday May 14th, 2014

\$88.00 per person

Sanderson Centre, Brantford 2:00 p.m. performance

Includes: hot/cold buffet lunch at Brantford Best Western Hotel, ticket, transportation, taxes. Pickup begins at London Mall at 10:00 a.m. with final drop-off at London Mall at 6:30 p.m.

This show is a big band tribute to Benny Goodman's historic concert, which is heralded as the landmark event that made swing music popular with mainstream audiences, and features the highly acclaimed 15-member *Galaxy Orchestra*, featuring star clarinetist Ross Woolridge, award-winning vibraphonist Don Thompson and singing sensation Alex Pangman.

The trip is filling up quickly, so please sign up today if you would like us to hold a place for you on the bus. Payment in full will be due at the March meeting.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Here is the financial report for the December and January Newsletter.

Deposit \$300.00 on November 27 and \$705.00 on December 10th.

Cash on hand \$267.50

Expenses:

Cards after November meeting \$10.00

Christmas Party Decorations \$392.67 Includes Gift Certificates for door prizes for Christmas Dinner, Poinsettias and Roses

Traci Kennedy Christmas Dinner Entertainment \$200.00

Legion for Lunch November 18 \$328.00

Legion Christmas Dinner \$962.50 55 meals plus gratuities and taxes

Account Balance \$4212.62

Bank balance as of jan 8 2014 bowling group \$8203.07

BOWLING NEWS:

SECRETARY'S REPORT:

Meeting called to order at 12:00 PM>

For the second month in a row there were no memorials for pensioners having passed away.

Attendance - 43.

Luncheon - Ham, scalloped potatoes, salad and pudding.

Re-adjournment of meeting at 12:42 PM.

The Prez. did a quick resume of the bulletin outlining next get together would be the Christmas party on December 9th which takes the place of our regular meeting. He also mentioned the Holiday train due in London early December and a rail calendar that is available.

We have been advised that Blue Cross rates Plan No. 93100 Part 2 for 2014 have decreased. Individual 2013 - \$28.19, 2014 - \$25.14 and Family 2013 - 56.37, 2014 - \$50.27.

The cost of living indexing for 2014 has been set. It will be .045% on the first 1500 dollars of your pension for those who qualify. This will amount to \$6.75 per month. As has been suggested to me by another do not spend it all in one store.

Our fall 2013 President's update advised of the passing of Don Hoare. Don served as President of NCCPPA for 10 years until 2009. He passed away in Calgary on July 5, 2013 at the age of 81. Don was a dedicated and hard working member of our pensioner association and he will be missed.

Our National President Lyle Berge also advised the "In Memoriam" information is only available on the CP Pensioner website. For those who have can get their email, you go to www.cp-pensioners.com and look under "News and Events". You can also access the pensioner website through the main CPR website at www.cpr.ca.

For the "In Memoriam" section of the website. we were informed CPR will provide updates twice a year. Those who do not have computers will have to rely on their chapters to print copies of the information or contact the pension department directly.

No 50/50 draw.

Meeting ended at 1:30 PM.

Bowling News

Season 1 of the current bowling year ended December 17th and the season 1 winner was Karen Mazereeuw with a total of 68 wins. Congratulations to Karen, Crandall Benson, Wib Trimble, Bob Waddell, Randy Frise and Louise Bolton. We are now two weeks into season 2 so good luck everyone for success in season 2. The winner of season 2 will be in a playoff with Karen at the end of the year to determine the league champions for 2013/2014.

Bowlers have been turning in some great scores with many over average accomplishments. The 4 best over average scores for the past seven weeks are as follows:

November 19th - Darcy Delaney - 272, Pat Teasdale - 192, Jack Aitken - 196, Marie Swallow - 223

November 26th - Bob Leghorn - 200, Patsy Smith - 204, Bud Bathgate - 201, Janice Fox - 190

December 3rd - Art Busby - 239, Karen Mazereeuw - 231, Randy Frise - 224, Lou Collier - 183

December 10th - Laird McKenzie - 238, Bill Pow - 271, Bob Waddell - 211, Ralph Van Wagner - 203

December 17th - Jerry McGrenere - 295, Charlie Weir - 252, Bud Bathgate - 234, John Longworth - 244

January 7th - Chris Goraj - 277, Bill Pow - 278, Norm Sayer - 225, Ted Savauge - 247

January 14th - Dianne Johnson - 266, Fred Warriner - 294, John Elliott - 292, Madeline Wardle - 236