# CANADIAN PACIFIC PENSIONER'S ASSOCIATION (MANITOBA BRANCH)

Newsletter Editor— Lou Guay

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#### Hello to our members

Covid-19 continues to wreak havoc on personal and group activities, including our regular luncheon meetings. To find out about future cancellations of Manitoba Branch events:

- 1) Send an email to WpgCPRPensioners@mail.com. Please show your name on the subject line. If enough members participate, emails about cancellations and changes of events will be sent.
- 2) Facebook page Manitoba CP Pensioners. Will be updated with cancellations once known. Should be open (readable) by anyone in Facebook.
- 3) Contact Ron Hinkle at 204 667 3520 NOTE: The decision is made in consultation with the Belgium Club, and is based on the recommended practices and guidelines from the province. As the situation remains somewhat fluid, it seldom will be in the newsletter. May be as little as 4 days notice.

### **CANCELLATION**

We regret to advise the following event is CANCELLED January 14th Manitoba Branch luncheon and meeting

## **2021 DUES:**

It's that time of year again.
Please arrange to renew your membership for 2021!



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☆ ☆ Dues remain the same \$10.00 per year for a pensioner, and spouse, \$10.00 for a pensioner alone, \$5.00 for a surviving spouse

(where else can you get such a good deal these days).

Form and details are on the last page.

#### IN MEMORIAM



Since our last Newsletter, Father Time has taken his toll. Please take a few minutes out from your day to remember old friends and former workmates.

If you know of any members who are ill or have passed away, call Betty Ashton @ 204-475-6798 or Betty Hein @ 204-774 9686 and let them know.

JUNE 09 2020 - JOHN DELANEY, AGE 97, SWITCHMAN

Nov 02, 2020 - William (Bill) Barr, Age 95, Engineer, survived by his wife Doris

Nov 03, 2020 - Patricia (Pat) Timko, Age 78, widow of Melvyn Timko

Nov 12, 2020 - Ernest (Èrnie) Tymofichuk, Age 79, survived by his wife Elaine

The company wide In Memoriaum can be found on line at https://cp-pensioners.com/news-events/
(about half-way down the page)
Updated once every 6 months..

#### **EXECUTIVE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

Volunteer-led organizations like ours always need new individuals to step forward and take on some of the work. Most current members of our executive have been faithfully executiving their duties for years, and several are ready to step aside. New faces bring fresh ideas, different approaches, and renewed energy. Please consider coming forward and volunteering to help our group stay active, and relevant. If interested, please contact

Paul Zeglinski @ 204-257-1188 or Lou Guay @ 204 275 0630

#### CP Pensioners - Manitoba Branch - Current Executive

President Paul Zeglinski - chairs meetings, official contact, cheque signatory Vice President Lou Harmel - president's duties if the president is not in attendance

Recording Secretary Betty Ashton - records minutes, cheque signatory

Corresponding Sec. Ron Hinkle - handles incoming correspondence and writes outgoing messages

as directed by the executive.

Treasurer Lou Guay - issues cheques, maintains financial records, cheque signatory

Membership Chair Mary Hornby - tracks dues payments, keeps membership records,

issues membership cards

50/50 Draw Mike Solodiuk - organizes the 50/50 draw at the meetings.

Newsletter Editor Lou Guay - arrange publishing and distribution - 4 issues a year.

Meeting Entertainment Vacant - arranges occasional speakers and/or presentations of interest Special event coordinator Vacant - arranges occasional non-meeting activities of interest to the

membership. In the past: casino trips, Prairie Dog excursions, etc.

## CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY PENSION COMMITTEE PENSION REPRESENTATIVE – ROBERT J.CAMERON

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TO: ALL CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY PENSIONERS ASSOCIATIONS
AND THE EXECUTIVE OF THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF
CANADIAN PACIFIC PENSIONERS ASSOCIATIONS

Greetings to all

This is in reference to the amount of indexing for the year of 2021, as of January 1, 2021 The indexing is based on 50% of the average Consumer Price Index (CPI). The average CPI was 1.00% and one half is 0.50%

To qualify a Retiree must have been retired for at least 5 years and be of age 65 as of December 31, 2020. Indexing is on the first 1,500.00 of your pension. The maximum increase would therefore be  $1,500.00 \times 0.50\% = 7.50$  per month, starting with your January 2021 payment.

As of January 2021 all members of the Health Spending Account (HSA) will be changed to Sun life as per the letters you all received in November 2020. Please follow the letter as to what to do. All accounts with Claimsecure will be transferred at the end of December 2020 or early January 2021.

Blue Cross rates for Part II will be mailed to you from Blue Cross hopefully in December 2020 or early January 2021 advising of the new rates for 2021 They are really pushing for all to get the Generic Drug whenever possible, which is cheaper. When you receive your letter from Blue Cross of the rate changes for the retiree's you will have the option of withdrawing from it if you wish. It will be your choice. If you have any questions please call me.

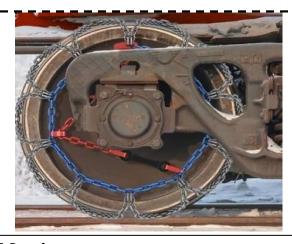
In closing I would like to wish everyone a very MERRY CHRISTMAS for 2020 and a HAPPY and HEALTHY 2021.

Yours sincerelyRobert J. CameronPensioner Representative

#### On the Lighter Side

Industry-leading new winterization program.

Company accountants project improved traction will generate significant savings\



## Luncheon Meetings Manitoba Branch - CP Pensioners Association

9 times a year - September to May, on the 2nd Thursday of the month, Members and invited guests only please.

IMPORTANT: **If you plan to attend**, **please notify Ron Hinkle**, either by phone at 204-667-3520 or by e-mail: hinkleronald224@gmail.com, so he can notify the kitchen of the number of attendees.

Be sure to do so *no later* than the preceding Sunday.

#### MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

Are your membership dues up-to-date? If not, or if you have misplaced your card, or if you are not sure, please call Mary Hornby, our Membership Chairman, at 204-661-0140, who can let you know where you stand. There has been no change in membership fees—\$10.00 per year for pensioner and spouse, or pensioner only, and \$5.00 for a surviving spouse.

#### **WRAP-UP**

If you have any questions relative to our Association, or are encountering problems pertaining to pensions, Blue Cross Coverage, etc., which may be affecting you as a pensioner or survivor, please contact one of the under-signed. If we cannot answer your query, we can possibly direct you to someone who can assist you.

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**FYI:** An on-line copy of our newsletter can be found at https://cp-pensioners.com/news-events/
(Near the bottom of the page)

Canadian Pacific Pensioners' Association Application Form				
Name:	Spouse's	Spouse's Name:		
Address:				
Postal Code:	Telephone #	Pension Payroll #		
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and forward to:



Mrs. Mary Hornby, Membership Chairperson 435 Hazel Dell Avenue Winnipeg, MB R2K 0R3 Phone 204-661-0140