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CALGARY PENSIONERS Spring NEWSLETTER

April 2023

Presidents Report: [Laurie Rupert](#)

March is in like a lamb, out like a lamb (clock change) and now were into April & Easter! Our St. Patrick Day General Meeting Luncheon went over well. Prizes were given out for best dressed man, woman, and Couple. We had lasagne from Olive Garden and Cake for dessert. We ate well. We also had our 50/50 draws and wine draws plus more door prizes.

Two guests speakers from the Royal Military Museum Crowchild trail , were on hand to tell us a little about the history of the Museum.

Don't forget our next General Meeting is on Tuesday April 11th at 12 noon, looking forward to seeing you there. So, wright it on your calendar. Oh yes do not forget if you have any extra bottles of wine around to donate to the club for raffels, please bring them with you when you come. A big thanks to Al Brander, Herb Siedl, and Laurie Rupert for their wine donations. For our next lunch we will be having a buffet. Looking forward to that!!

Our next guest speaker is a City of Calgary Bylaw Officer. Good time to ask questions.

Your President

Our March meeting was well attended with sixty-five people showing up. Our luncheon was donated by the Olive Garden thanks to Vic Renney for arranging that and also the Car washes which were used for door prizes. Lasagne was the main coarse with cake for desert . We had Two door prizes For a car wash. They were won by Anne Lesyk and Ray Beirnes. The 3 wine draws were won by Don Lyons, Ray Beirnes and Rommel Battad. Draws for Gift cards for, the best dressed For St. Patrick's Day were, Allan Orr, Helen Gale and for couples Vic and Christine Renney. We had Draws for Lasagne take home boxes and the winners were Kenny Lee, Gordie Brown, Jurgen Lehmann, Mariam Benner, Dale Gale, and Leo Bitz.

Our luncheon in April will be a buffet with sandwiches, wraps, Salads, and a veggie platter and of coarse Deserts.

Thank you, letters have been to the Olive Garden, for donating the lasagna and bread sticks for the March meeting and to Mint Smart Wash for the vouchers donated for door prizes. When you visit these businesses be sure to thank them for their generosity.

Membership numbers as of January 1st, 2023, 198 Regular, Paid 69, New members 8, Gold members 33, unpaid 90, passed away 1 member. Prepaid 2024 20, 2025 4, 2026 2. We are waiving arrears for 2021 and 2022 due to covid-19 closures. If you have not paid, please do so by years end. Unpaid members who do not respond will have their files closed by the end of the year. If you haven't paid your dues or are not sure, please see Arthur in the club office, or phone 403-262-1238 or email at cp.pensioners.association@gmail.com

In Memoriam. Brothers that have passed away in March.

Harvey Sych January, Bob Craig January, Terry Neufeld March , Mel Poffenroth March , Jack McIntyre March and Randy Gnam March Kanata Ontario.

Golf anyone! The Pensioner's club is looking into setting up a golf tournament sometime in May or June. At The Wingfield Golf Course, adjacent to the Calgary International Airport. If you are interested please sign up at the club or send an email to cp.pensioners.association@gmail.com to have your name added to the sign-up sheet.

The royal Canadian Circus is coming to town. For the people who like to Clown around

Calgary - May 26th to June 04th, 2023

Ticket Price*	\$35*	\$40	\$60
Showtime	General Admission*	VIP**	Ringside**
7:00PM	Buy Now	Buy Now	Buy Now

* Ticket prices shown are before any discount, where offered with a valid coupon code (General Admission only).

** Within each seat type section, all seats rush.

** Limited numbers of VIP and Ringside seats available, so book now!

All ticket purchases subject to applicable taxes and convenience fees.

Want that up close and personal experience? See the exciting action RIGHT UP FRONT by upgrading to exclusive VIP seating OR, **PLUSH RINGSIDE SEATING!!**

It's an exhilarating experience your family will never forget.

Location Crossiron Mills
Parking lot. 261055 Crossiron Blvd.

CANADA'S LARGEST MODEL TRAIN SHOW

SUPERTRAIN

2023

will be held
April 15 & 16, 2023
at the Genesis
Centre
7555 Falconridge
Blvd NE, Calgary
9:00 a.m - 5:00 p.m.



SUPERTRAIN



Age 15 and under - Free; Adult (16+) - \$15.00
Tickets available at the door.

Here are some pictures from the March Meeting





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Greetings from your Pensioners Executive:

A little background of the Pensioners Club beginnings:

On May 19th, 1952, a dinner for CP Pensioners was held at the Palliser Hotel, Calgary hosted by the Company CP Officers Association. 325 pensioners attended. Mr. N.R. Crump, Senior Vice President congratulated and thanked the pensioners for helping to "build the Company to the high position it holds today and across the years."

A meeting was held after dinner to call for the formation of a pensioners association for social and friendly meetings among pensioners. On June 17th, 1952, it was reported that 250 men had signed up in favor of a pensioner's association. The first meeting of the membership was held on July 17th, 1952, in the East Dining room of the Palliser Hotel. The first group of pensioners was made up to 30 running trades, 14 telegraph, 14 Dining Car, 4 Police, 10 Express and 6 Palliser.

From those humble beginnings came the start of the Calgary CP Pensioners Association. We are the only group of railway pensioners in the system to have dedicated clubrooms. Ours are in Building 10 at the Ogden Shops. The facilities are paid for by the Company i.e., water, electricity, etc. Each month from September to June, a lunch has been provided to members by a dedicated group of CP ladies for a cost of \$5 until the time of Covid when the Club rooms were closed.

We are looking forward to being able to open these clubrooms as Covid restrictions are lifted and enjoy getting together again. Please watch for a possible reopening soon, Your Executive look forward to meeting all our old members and welcoming new members.

Special thanks to Ken and Pat Brown

More pictures from March meeting.

