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Message from the President

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Your Executive has been very busy this month and we have a lot to share. Our March General Meeting and luncheon went well, with 61 people in attendance. This included two new members. Please welcome Richard Chapman and David Hesse. We did our 50/50 draw which was \$110 to the winner, our wine draws with wine donated by members and the door prize was a car wash coupon for Mint Smart Wash. Congratulations to all the winners and thank you for participating!!

Lunch was very nice with Irish Stew, buns and blueberry surprise! A big thank you to Vic Renney, Monique Kovacs, Don Northam and Hayde Diell for preparing, serving and cleaning up.

We had four separate sign-up sheets at the March general meeting which were for a tax session, a pension session, bowling, and a second showing of the "Pulse of the Continent" CP2816 video. Unfortunately, we did not have enough interest in the tax or pension sessions but if you have any specific questions, we can connect you with one of our advisors. However, we do have enough interest in bowling and for the CP2816 video. In addition, a golfing day is also in the works. We will begin to plan and organize these events and provide more details as they come.

As mentioned, the triennial NCCPPA Conference (National Council for Canadian Pacific Pensioners Associations) will be held in Calgary on June 5-6-7. On Thursday, June 5th there is a meeting for the Executive only. On Friday, June 6th there is a general meeting at the Glenmore Inn which is open to delegates and members. And Saturday, June 7th is an event day. We are planning for lunch at the Ogden facility either in our Club Room or in the Royal Canadian Pacific Pavillion. This will be followed by tours of the business cars as well as tours of the Training Center. With any luck, we may get to operate one of their train simulators. There will be a sign-up sheet for this event and a small fee for lunch so that we can get an exact headcount, but we are still planning these events so we will have more details to share.



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Since we will have lunch on June 7th for the NCCPPA event, we will be moving the general meeting and luncheon back one week from June 10th to June 17th. As a reminder, this will be the last general meeting and luncheon before the summer break.

As for member updates, Laurie Rupert was back in the hospital and is now at home again. Best wishes to Laurie. It is with sadness that I must tell you we lost two members. Kelvin Palmer passed away on March 26th. Rudy Platz passed away on March 29th. We offer our deepest condolences to both families.

We are just a few weeks away from our Easter break and I am hoping to see all of you at our April General Meeting and Luncheon on Tuesday April 8, 2025.

Your President

Joe Dragani



From the March Luncheon:

