

Special Points of Interest:

The Pas Railway Station is a station in The Pas, Manitoba, Canada. The station is served by Via Rail's Winnipeg — Churchill train and the Keewatin Railway train to Pukatawagan operated by Via Rail. The multicoloured 1 1/2 storey brick station building was built in 1928.

The railway station was designated an historic site in 1992.

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CN Pensioners' Association of Manitoba

Meetings held at 1:30 p.m. on the 1st Wed of the month at the Norwood Legion, 134 Marion St., Winnipeg except for the months of July, August and December

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Exciting News From CNPA of Manitoba CNPA of Manitoba TRADE BURSARY

CNPA of Manitoba is excited to introduce *The CNPA Trade Bursary*. This is the first time a Trade Bursary has been offered by any CN Pensioners' Association. The intent of this bursary is to assist financially in the educational pursuit and career development of families of the contributing members of the CN Pensioners' Association of Manitoba who are going into the Trade industry. Two (2) \$500 bursaries shall be awarded to the successful applicants. Applications must be received by August 15th, 2017. A link to the Application and Terms and Conditions can be found on the home page of our website at www.cnpensioners.ca.

These Bursaries are in addition to the Harvey Hosfield Bursaries that the Association awards yearly.



Five Generations of the Delbaere family

Front row left to right are: grandmother Liza Delbaere, little Harvey Marriott, born Nov.18, 2016, great-great grandmother Mary Delbaere born April 14, 1917.

Back row from left to right are: father Benjamin Marriott and great grandfather Albert Delbaere.

Congratulations from all members of the CNPA of Manitoba.

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Membership Report - Joanne Gaborieau

Total paid membership - 3918 Pension Cheque deduction - 3836 Fees paid by cheque - 82

Welcome to the following New Members. Hope to see you out at the meetings. We look forward to your participation in the Association!

Ans, Roger Medeiros, Orlando Artibise, Mike Noga, Kevin Prokopowich, Brian Bouche, Jean Luc Breckenridge, Kevin Rakochy, Joan Brunen, Joseph Reeve, Ken Buchan, Edward Routley, Dave Charban, Douglas W. Sadler, Bernice Chick, Eileen Schick, Barbara Stoyko, Estelle Cressal, Myrna Feeny, Jim Sveinson, Duane Fraser, David A. Townsley, Sheila Joyce, Charles Trach, Monica Kozakewich, Lawrence Trenchard, Tom Marion, Philip Wierzbicki, Rick Matrick, Brenda

We invite spouses to become associate members for all the benefits of the association including the privilege of voting.

A hearty welcome to all new members and an especially warm welcome to those who have attended their first General Meeting where they received a Pensioners' pin:

January: Bohdan (Bob) Bontey, Gary Bell, Bruce Anderson and Brian Woods

February: Joe Brunen and Ioannis Papadopoulos

March: Owen Yathon and Kevin Rekiel

Birthday Draws: January: Barry Levandoski

February: Gary TaylorMarch: Stella Patson

Attendance Draws: January: Gerry Prejet, Gary Taylor, Ernie Yakiwchuk

February: Paul Rivard, Barry Levandoski, Denise Larocque *March:* Rory Simpson, Fred Dagg, Kurt Burstahler, Marge

Jacobson

Door Prize Draws: January: Gary Davis, Huguette Champagne, Gary Taylor,

J. P. Poitras

February: Gary Bell, Kurt Burstahler, Ken Yellowega, Tom

Nichol

March: Eric Oman, Kurt Burstahler, Roy Asselstine,

Rose Chapman

Hope to see more new faces at future meetings!

Special Events - Wayne Gorin

Our meetings are held the first Wednesday of the month at the Norwood Legion on Marion Street and commence at 1:30 p.m. Many arrive earlier to have coffee, donuts and a visit. If you are interested in helping out in any way please contact Wayne at 204-224-4084.

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Guest Speakers for Upcoming Meetings:

April 5th, 2017: Representative to speak on Lyme Disease

May 3rd, 2017: Winnipeg Police Dept. on awareness and prevention of fraud - Phone/computer scams

June 7th, 2017: Diabetes Canada on the prevention, coping and living with diabetes

Annual Golf Tournament:

will be held on Tuesday, June 27th at the Kingswood Golf Course. Start time is 9:30 a.m. Cost of \$87.00 per person includes golf, a shared cart, a bbq steak dinner and a prize.

Entry must be paid by June 16th.

For further information contact Ron Davis @ 204-489-4485 or email: ronvel@mymts.net.

Format is open to either stroke play or best ball.

Annual Picnic: will be held on Thursday, June 15th at Assiniboine Park next to the Conservatory. Picnic starts at 11:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Cost is \$5.00 per person with a limit of two (2) tickets per contributing member. Come out and enjoy a delicious lunch, a bocce ball tournament and the sunshine. Tickets will be available at the May and June General Meetings or by calling Wayne Gorin. @ 204-224-4084.

The picnic is held rain or shine.

PLEASE: bring along lawnchairs.

Meet Your Special Events Chairperson - J. Wayne Gorin

My 42 years of service with CNR, started as a temporary summer job as an "Extra Gang" labourer near my home town of Saskatoon on July 4th, 1972, making \$2.00 per hour. From there I held other positions, such as: Shop Helper, Machine Operator, A-Mechanic, Lead Hand, Field Maintainer, P-811 Tri-Regional Operator Maintainer, Track Ballast Under -Cutter and Holland Mobile Butt Welder Operator Maintainer, Training Instructor and Training Supervisor. Through those years, I was fortunate enough to have had only two main home locations, Saskatoon, SK from 1972-87 and Winnipeg, MB from 1987-2014. My career gave me the opportunity to work from Vancouver, BC, throughout Alberta, Saskatchewan, Manitoba and Northern Ontario. I also managed to spend part of a summer as a CN contractor working in New York City for Metro North Railroad.



Throughout those 42 years I obtained my Interprovincial Journeyman Heavy Duty Equipment Mechanic certificate, my Instructional Techniques certificate from CNR and my Industrial Supervision certificate from Red River Community College, along with a few others. I also had the opportunity to be involved with the Labour Unions which were dear to my heart. I held various positions starting with Secretary/Treasurer, Shop Steward and ending as Trustee for the United Steelworkers Local 2004.

My life with CN and the Union was interesting and my family life made it better. Gloria and I got married in 1975; having four children was also a life long journey that brought joy to our lives. I know that married life and having children is great, but there is nothing like spending time with grandchildren, and we are fortunate enough to have four.

Outreach Chair's Report - Rose Chapman 204-832-1105

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Outreach Committee:

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If any CNPA member would like to join the Outreach Committee, please contact Rose Chapman for more information.



The CNPA of Manitoba would like to thank Bob Gill for his years of dedication to the Association and the Executive of the CNPA of Manitoba. Bob served on the Executive as Outreach Chairperson for many years and continued serving on the committee until recently.

Please contact any member on the Outreach Committee with information on pensioners who are hospitalized, or ill at home, and on those who have had or will be celebrating special birthdays or milestone anniversaries.

Remember - please keep us informed!

Happy Birthday Wishes To:

Edward Bailer celebrated his 80th birthday on January 16th. Gordon Bell celebrated his 80th birthday on March 15th. Roland Fiola will celebrate his 85th birthday on April 25th. Grace Garroni will celebrate her 100th birthday on March 31st. Art Jones celebrated his 86th birthday on March 2nd. Jeanine LaRocque will celebrate her 84th birthday on April 27th. R J LaRocque will celebrate his 88th birthday on March 26th. Isobel Melville will celebrate her 75th birthday on April 10th. Teresa Palavecino celebrated her 66th birthday on March 2nd. Fred Radford will celebrate his 100th birthday on March 23rd. Doris Rugg celebrated her 101st birthday on March 7th. Bill Salamon will celebrate his 90th birthday on March 22nd. Olga Skrybalo celebrated her 83rd birthday on January 7th. Steve Skrybalo celebrated his 84th birthday on January 18th. Alice Smith celebrated her 83rd birthday on January 15th. Ernest Smith celebrated his 86th birthday on December 22nd.

Happy Anniversary To:

Ken and Mary Butchart will celebrate their 55th Wedding Anniversary on March 24th. James and Blanche Drennan celebrated their 65th Wedding Anniversary on March 6th. Loic and Shirley Feuillatre celebrated their 44th Wedding Anniversary on February 17th. R J and Jeanine LaRocque will celebrate their 68th Wedding Anniversary on April 13th. Patrick and Linda McMullin will celebrate their 45th Wedding Anniversary on April 22nd. John and Collette Mozol will celebrate their 45th Wedding Anniversary on April 14th. Sam and Betty Singer celebrated their 55th Wedding Anniversary on January 29th.

To those previously mentioned on our Sick List, we hope that you are feeling much better. To those who are currently ill or still experiencing health problems, please know you are in our thoughts. The membership joins us in extending Best Wishes for a speedy recovery. We have received reports and updates on the following Pensioners since the last newsletter:

Sick List:

Mark Apperloo blacked out while driving, ending up in the hospital for a few days. He is doing very well and hopes to get his driver's licence back soon, which MPI lifted.

Madeleine Delbaere is undergoing chemo therapy following cancer surgery in December. Some days are better

Bob Gill is back in Riverview because of continuing problems with his legs.

Steve Skrybalo is recuperating at home following minor surgery on January 23rd.

Angele Thienpondt is home from hospital after having an accident and is still dealing with some health issues.

Obituaries: The following pensioners have passed away since the last report (* denotes contributing member of the Manitoba Pensioners' Association).

Jean Fuller

Mary Albo* Gladvs Anderson* Victor Armishaw* Joan Armstrong* Kaye Atkinson George Bain* Frances Baird* John Balak* John Bernier* Olga Biegun* Hans Bielert* Lawrence Blanchard* David Bolianaz Sandra Byrnes* Vincent Cancilla* Edna Charzewski* Alexander Cherrie* Susan Chomiak* Lois Coyle Joyce Cramer* Harry Dayholos Frances Duffey*

Audrey Eklund, wife of Allan Eklund* Hazel English*

Mitchell Gach* Jean Hauk* Stephie Horaski* Victoria Hrynyk* Dave Hunter* Mike Husak* Richard Huzarski* Claudette Johnson Murray Katchnoski* John (Jack) Kemp* Peter Kirk Raymond Korb* Theresa Kulbaba* Stanley Leighton* M R Little Edna Loeppky* Evelyn Loewen* Walter Lotocki* Hilda Massev James McCulloch* Alma McDonald Patricia McKenzie*

Carol McNiven*

Mary Moore*

Dorothy Morris Elsie Murdoch Mary Nadolny* Edna Neill* Odile Plamondon* James (Jim) Potter* Alice Rosborough* Walter Rudyk* Samuel Sadler* Stan Safiniuk* Helen Schmidt* Yvonne Schreiber Glenn Scott* Jovce Scott* Marguerite Sembaluk Mike Shalapata* Vera Sherman* Jose Freitas Silva Lorraine Sutherland*

Beatrice Weger* Barry Wilcock* Martha Zurchauer

The CN Pensioners' Association of Manitoba extends our sincere condolences to the family and friends of the deceased.

Happy 100th Birthday Celebrations



On January 1st, 2017, Patrick McMullin had the opportunity to present **Irene Stevens** with a special plaque from CN on behalf of the CN Pensioners' Association of Manitoba to



celebrate her 100th birthday. The event was held at her daughter's residence. Irene has three daughters, Diane, Linda and Geraldine. Also in attendance was her granddaughter Ainslie as well as many friends, nieces and nephews.

Irene is the widow of Hector Stevens.



I would like to thank the CN Pensioners' Association for the fantastic plaque that they gave to my mother, Verna Nowicki, to celebrate her 100th Birthday. It is very much appreciated. The picture of the freight train in the mountains and its 3-D presentation are very artistic and bring back memories of earlier days when all except one of the many male relatives on my father's side worked for the CNR.

My mother was married to my father Tony (Anthony) Nowicki in 1943. My father worked for the CNR from 1933 to 1977 with a break between 1943 and

1946 for service in WWII. Most of these years were spent in the Regional Accounting Department in Winnipeg. He passed away in 2000 at the age of 88. My mother also worked for the CNR for 7 years between 1939 and 1946 in the accounting offices in Saskatoon and then Winnipeg. When my father returned from overseas after WWII, she was forced to quit due to a rule in place in that era that prohibited both a husband and wife working for the CNR at the same time.

My parents had two children, myself (Tom) and a daughter who passed away in 1991. She has two grandsons and a 2 year old great granddaughter. After my father retired in 1977, they enjoyed many years golfing in the summer and cruising the Caribbean and enjoying the beaches of Maui in the winter. My mother is still living in the house that she and Tony moved into in 1951. She still keeps active tending her plants around the yard, enjoying her gazebo in the summer and working on puzzles of all types including the daily crossword puzzle.



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2017 Canada Summer Games July 28th - August 13th

The Canada Games are this country's largest multi-sport event for young athletes. Alternating every two years between winter and summer, in 2017 the Games will celebrate its 50th anniversary alongside Canada's 150th birthday. Winnipeg, Manitoba will host the Canada Summer Games July 28 - August 13, 2017. Featuring 16 sports, over 250 events and a major cultural festival, the 2017 Canada Games will welcome over 4, 000 athletes and coaches, require upwards of 6000 volunteers and host 20,000 visitors.

You can also visit their website - www.2017canadagames.ca



Congratulations to the following:

Mel Rusiecki, who applied for and received a \$500.00 grant for the Orthodox Church of the Holy Trinity.

Refer a CN Friend and increase your grant money!

Are you a CN Railroader in the Community? Do you know a CN colleague, retiree or family member who could lend a helping hand or who volunteers but doesn't know about the program? Encourage them to become a CN Railroader in the Community and you could receive more grants for your charity! There is no better time to become a CN Railroader in the Community. Not only does your time make a difference to a needy charity or a youth amateur sports team but spreading the word about the program can increase the money they receive!

Visit: www.cn.ca for more information.

Treasurer's Report - Jerry Dunford

A financial audit of the CN Pensioners' Assoication of Manitoba has just been completed for the 12 months ending August 31, 2016.

Auditor's Report: We have reviewed the financial position of the "CN Pensioners' Association of Manitoba". This review consisted of enquiry, analytical procedures and discussions related to the information supplied to us by the Treasurer. Based on our review, nothing has come to our attention that causes us to believe that the financial statements are not in all material respects in accordance with generally accepted accounting practices. **Signed: W. M. Lesiuk**

If any member has any questions related to the CNPA's finances, please contact Jerry Dunford at 204-487-7478.

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Change of Address I-800-361-0739
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