

Special Points of Interest:

The CN 2747 was the first steam locomotive built at the CN Transcona Shops and the first steam locomotive built in Western Canada. Plans for refurbishing the locomotive are underway and eventually a roof structure will cover the engine and help protect it from the elements.

CN Pensioners' Association of Manitoba

Meetings held at 1:30 p.m. on the 1st Wednesday of the month except for the months of July, August and December. Location of meetings (unless otherwise stated under our Special Events article) is at the Norwood Legion, 134 Marion St., Winnipeg.

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Spring 2019

President's View—Ron Davis

Bruce Anderson is now looking after our financial assets, Serge Poulin is our new

Hospitality Chairman, Tim and Claudette McCrindle are now the Publicity Chair and Newsletter Editor, Dave Kane sits at the front desk handling the attendance draw tickets, birthday draws, etc. These members have all joined the Executive Committee in the last

We would like to say "THANK YOU" to our former CNPA Executive Members John Yarema (former Member at Large), Jack and Bev Moore (former Publicity Chair) and Jerry Dunford (former Treasurer) for their years of dedicated service to the CNPA of Manitoba. We wish you all the best!

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CN 100th Celebrations – Winnipeg Thursday September 19—Sunday September 22, 2019

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few months. Welcome all.

Join us in Celebrating 100 years on the move! Preparations are well underway for the CN 100th Celebrations. It will be a Moving Celebration Tour across Canada.

As CN continues to finalize the preparations, they want to emphasize the important role that CN Pensioners have

played in the success of CN over the past century as well as how important the participation of CN Pensioners and their families will be to the success of the 100th Celebration events.

The Moving Celebration Tour is scheduled to be in Winnipeg from Thursday, September 19th to Sunday, September 22nd, 2019 and will be located at the CN Stage and Field at The Forks. The exhibit will consist of 6 containers with individual exhibits: People, Scenery, History, Future, Bookbox and Photobooth. As well, Little Obie and Max (train) will be on hand for local transportation.

We need your help! CNPA volunteers are required for each station of the exhibit. Each volunteer will receive a CN 100 logo polo shirt and cap, to be worn while working as a volunteer. As we become aware of more details, these will be announced at our April, May and June General Meetings as well as posted on our website (www.facebook.com/cnpensionersmanitoba).

Sign-up sheets will also be available at those meetings.

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Membership Report - Joanne Gaborieau

Total paid membership - 3809 Associate Members - 17

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

Harris Gerdue Lorraine Adams **Richard Panting** Jeffrey Allan Pedro Gerra Sylvia Pidhirrney Sam Becker Colette L. Gordon Robert W. Robinson Don Blowatt Dolores Gozda Kim Sitch Rudy Boeckler Barry Stepberger Tim Hickie Doug Thoroski Myrtle Bowers Betty-Ann Kuch Alice Michalczuk Alain Chappaz

Apologies to Lorene Fox for misspelling your name, "WELCOME" Lorene

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

January: Ken Fox, Ted Halowaty, Claudette McCrindle, Kelvin Sookermany,

Dianna Stewart, and GwenYakiwchuk.

February: Ed & Faye Marcynuk

March: Grant Edwards, Lorene Fox, Robert (Bob) Orsulak, Garry Simpson, and

Mark Perry

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

Birthday Draws: January: Gary Bell

February: Dale Goodfellow **March:** Lawrence Webb

Attendance Draws: January: Gerry Prejet and George Lintick

February: Denys Audette and Dave Horn **March:** Don Werschler and Gary Kesterke

Door Prize Draws: January: Bob Miller, Gerry Prejet, Gerrit Vanderklok and

Denys Audette

February: Linda Schram, Kevin Sookermany, Dennis Boboski and

Kevin Schram

March: Gary Bell, Margaret Hoppensack, Barry Levandoski and

Ken Fox

Hope to see more new faces at future meetings!

The 2019 CNPA Scholarship and Bursary Programs Open April 15th

This year's programs open April 15th. All applications must be received by August 15th.

To access this year's application, terms and conditions or for more information, visit the National website at www.cnpensioners.org and click on the Scholarships tab OR visit the Manitoba website at www.cnpensioners.ca and click on the Scholarship tab.

Special Events - Ernie Yakiwchuk

Our meetings are held at 1:30 p.m. on the first Wednesday of the month except for the months of July, August and December. Location of meetings (unless otherwise stated below) is at the Norwood Legion, 134 Marion St. Many arrive earlier to have coffee, donuts and a visit.



If you are interested in helping out in any way please contact Ernie at 204-254-1441.

Guest Speakers for Upcoming Meetings:

- April 3, 2019 Heather Hiscock Society for Manitoba with Disabilities, speaking on services for seniors and the disabled.
- May 1, 2019 Julia Hall Glen Lawn Memorial Gardens, speaking on Today's Approach to Preparing for Tomorrow.
- June 5, 2019 Janelle Houde Access Saint Boniface / WPG Regional Health, speaking on Navigating our Health System.

Annual Golf Tournament: Tuesday, June 25th at the Kingswood Golf Club. Tournament will start at 9:30 a.m.. Cost per player is \$93.00. This includes a round of golf, shared cart and a BBQ steak dinner, \$5 goes towards prizes, \$2 goes towards the gratuities. Further information will be forthcoming.



Annual Picnic: Thursday, June 13th at Assiniboine Park (RAIN or SHINE). Picnic starts at 11:00. Please remember to bring your lawn chairs, hat, sunscreen and insect repellent. Tickets will be available at the May and June general meetings. Tickets are \$5.00 each, with a limit of 2 tickets per contributing member, includes a great lunch and your chance to win the coveted Bocce Ball Tournament trophy. For more information, please contact: Ernie Yakiwchuk @ 204-254-1441

NOTE: The tent location is kitty corner from the Pavilion at Assiniboine park.







Winners of the first game and Linda.

2nd Annual Valentine's Bingo Bowl -February 12th, 2019

Great fun was had by 32 Bowlers at the Billy Mosienko Bowling Lanes, A delicious pizza lunch followed the bowling.

Winners of the 50/50 draws were Donna Bremner and Kevin Schram. Several door prizes were also given out and the lucky winners were Ron Yarema, Linda Schram, Denys Audette and Cheryl Tynes.

Big thanks to Donna Bremner and Eric Oman for arranging the event.

Please remember that the bowling league is always looking for new members to join as a regular were; Louis, Wayne, Brian player or a spare. Contact Eric Oman, Donna Bremner or Dean Danforth for more information.



Winners of the second game were: Debbie, Jack, Chuck and Kevin.

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

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We are looking for volunteers to join the Outreach Committee. There isn't a lot involved – there are no meetings. You just need to have your name and phone number listed in the newsletter so members can contact you with information on anniversaries, birthdays, or health issues. Please contact Rose Chapman to join.

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!

Obituaries: The following pensioners have passed away since the last report

George Adams* Eva Hiebert Angel Alvarez* Maria Hiebert* Sophia Batiuk* Harry Hodgson* Maria Bontey, Joseph Holyk* mother of Bohdan Bontev* Ralph Huuk* Paul Burak* Robert Irwin* Peter Kowalyk* **Bob Chornoby** H.R. (Bob) Clarke Florence Kozik*

J. Ken Craig* Catherine Dagg Dorothy Davey*

Maria Therese Desaultels, wife

of Marcel Desaultels* Nadia Diachun* Wilfred Dickey* Mike Didur* Secela Dutton* Jean Finnimore.

wife of Cliff Finnimore*

Donald Fleury* Stella Garlinski,

mother of Gary Garlinski*

Deborah Hebert wife of Garry Hebert* Elizabeth Lenoski William Luff*

Anthony Makodanski*

Benjamin Martinez William McIntosh* Merle E. Menard* Eugene Milani* Irene Morrison Joann Moshenko Stella Mrozek*

Julia Nawankiewicz* Harry Neplyk Garth Patterson*

Leslie Peterson* Margaret Peterson, wife of Vern Peterson* Dale Pinette Ivan Pisker*

Gabriele Porco* Marjorie Poudrette* Jennie Proceviat Paul Proceviat* Lillian M Raffey Sophie Rieu

Melvin Rusiecki* Georgina Shoell, wife of Ed

Shoell*

Ralph Symonds* Maria Tavares*

Walter Reginald Thomas* Elizabeth Thoroski*

Olive Timcoe Marion Tough

John Wasylnuk

Clara Weitzel, mother of Rick* and Brad* Weitzel, mother-in-

law of Denis Monnier* Neil Wiechman* Florence Ziegler*

(* denotes contributing member of the Manitoba Pensioners' Association).

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

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To those previously mentioned on our Sick List, we hope that you are feeling much better, and well on the road to recovery. 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 improved health and a speedy recovery. We have received reports and updates on the following Pensioners since the last newsletter:

Gerry Boonstra has difficulty getting around and now uses a scooter most of the time.

Bill Brychka collapsed and was in Concordia Hospital in January undergoing tests and treatment. He is back at Rivercrest.

Archie Carruthers is doing well following emergency gall bladder surgery on December 24th. He is waiting for hip replacement surgery in March.

Marie Gagné, wife of Arthur Gagné, has been on dialysis for eight years.

Andy Gibson underwent spinal surgery in Concordia Hospital on March 11th. He is recuperating at home.

Bob Mozol is undergoing immunotherapy to treat his lung cancer.

John Yarema is not doing well. He has trouble breathing, not much energy and tires easily. He uses a walker but can't walk very far. He has weekly palliative care.

Happy Anniversary Wishes To:

Ron and Velma Davis celebrated their 55th Wedding Anniversary on February 8th.

Jerry and Carroll Dunford celebrated their 30th Wedding Anniversary on February 3rd.

Andy and Linda Gibson celebrated their $45^{\rm th}$ Wedding Anniversary on March $9^{\rm th}$.

Happy Birthday Wishes To:

Marc Apperloo - 87, December 11th Wanda Austin - 92, February 20th William Baran - 86, February 20th Gerry Boonstra - 85, February 12th Dave Cullen - 100, February 6th Arthur Gagné - 84, March2nd Bill Gustin - 85, March 26th Robert Heelis - 100, March 31st Lorna Ivanyshyn - 76, March 10th Art Jones - 88, March 2nd R.J. Larocque - 90, March 26th

Tillie Lewycky - 100, February 24th
Fran Loudon - 85, March 29th
Nancy Popiel - 100, January 23rd
Harold Prystie - 85, March 4th
Alice Smith - 85, January 15th
Elizabeth (Betty) Steffens - 92, February 20th
Freeman Stevenson - 88, January 28th
Larry Stubbe - 70, February 23rd
Lawrence Webb - 85, March 26th

Congratulations and best wishes for many more years of good health and happiness to the above.









\$530,620

From CN Canadian

pensioners

Thank you!

The last campaign broke a record and raised more than \$2,041,580. CN Canadian pensioners made a huge difference by giving \$530,620 to various charities. Thank you for your remarkable involvement! It is not too late to complete your donation for the 2019 campaign. Please contact us.



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Member at Large - Albert Delbaere

CN Pensioners and Friends Casino Trip



September 15th —18th, 2019. Payment deadline is August 12th, 2019. Only \$145.00 Cdn.

ALL TOURS INCLUDE: Transportation, 2 Nights Hotel Accommodations, Casino Rebate

- \$30 "STAR CASH" (free slot play placed on card)
- \$15 Food Coupon
- \$10 Return Offer for future visit (valid for 60 days)
- \$15 Exchange Offer (Exchange \$150/night at 5 cents above casino cage rate)

Please contact Albert Delbaere at 204-256-8419 or **albert1a@mymts.net** for more information or to reserve your seat.

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Congratulations to the following:

Bert Andrews, \$500 grant for the Winnipeg Senior Citizens Radio Club Betty Andrews received a \$250 spousal grant for the Winnipeg Ostomy Association

Sean Derrig, \$500 volunteer grant for The Canadian Cancer Society





January 23, 2019, Nancy Popiel became a Centenarian. To honour the occasion, Serge Poulin presented Nancy with a CN plaque at her party on January 26th, 2019. Nancy is the 13th person registered in the city of Transcona. Nancy met her husband machinist Peter Popiel while waitressing at Rinella's Restaurant beside the CN Transcona shops. Nancy and Peter were married in 1941 and have 3 children, Anthony, Jerry and Phyllis, 5 grandchildren and 4 great grandchildren.

Nancy lived in the family home on Day Street from 1949 to 2009. Nancy also worked at the Hudson's Bay Paddlewheel Restaurant for over 25 years. Nancy loved to sew, knit, cook, bake, do ceramics, walk and garden. Her weed-free, hand-turned garden turned out magnificent tomatoes and zucchinis season after season.

Nancy loved to make perogies at St. Michael's church. Her boundless energy and independent spirit has carried on through her family. Her grandchildren have fond

memories of staying at Baba and Gido's house growing up. They always left her home laden with homemade treats.

Nancy continued baking her own bread, sewing and crocheting slippers until she moved out of her apartment last year.



February 6th 2019, Dave Cullen became a Centenarian. To honour the occasion, Bruce and Janet Anderson presented Dave with a CN plaque on February 10th, 2019. He celebrated his 100th Birthday with over a hundred and fifty family and friends attending his party. Dave has three daughters, two grandsons, and two great grandsons. In 2017, after 67 years of marriage, Dave lost his beloved wife Bernice. Dave started as an apprentice at CN in 1937. He served in the Royal Canadian Air Force during WWII and returned to the Railway in 1945 to pursue his career as a Carman. After working 42 years at the Transcona Shops in Winnipeg, Manitoba, Dave retired.

To this day, Dave lives in a fifty-five plus apartment complex and continues his retirement enjoying his family, golfing in the summer and playing Bridge five times a week.



February 24th 2019, Tillie Lewycky became a Centenarian celebrating with her extended family of children, grandchildren and great grandchildren.

Pictured at left, Tillie Lewycky is holding an engraved CN plaque with her name on it.

Looking on are the 'original six' children. Top row left to right Aaron, David, Orest, Virginia. Bottom row left to right Laverne, Tillie Lewycky, and Bernice.

On behalf of all CNPA of Manitoba members, we wish you all the best on this milestone.

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Frequently Called Numbers

The CN Pensioners' Help Line 1-800-361-0739. Always have your PIN to better identify you when making inquiries. If you move, advise the above number. If you are married at the time of retirement, make sure that CN has your spouse's name on file. Changing banks, with direct deposit, never close your old account until the cheque shows up in the new account.

Change of Address 1-800-361-0739 Canada Pension & Old Age Security 1-800-277-9914 Canada Custom & Revenue Service 1-800-959-8281 Blue Cross National Claims Direct 204-775-9261 Income Tax Preparation - Jim Miln 204-253-0137

204-788-8200 or I-888-315-9257 Health Links Info **CN Police** 1-800-465-9239, #3

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