

# 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

# Special Points of Interest:

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Winter 2014

# President's View—Ron Davis

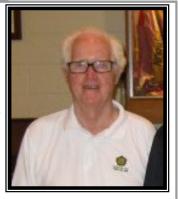
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# In Memory of Harvey Hosfield

It is with great sadness that we say farewell to our long time friend and colleague—Harvey Hosfield. Harvey was a loyal and dedicated railroader both as an employee of CN and as a volunteer on behalf of the CN Pensioners' Association.



Harvey was born on May 5<sup>th</sup>, 1929 and grew up in Transcona, a suburb on the east end of Winnipeg. He met his wife Sonia in Rainy River, Ontario where he was working with

CN at that time. They were married in 1952. After a long and successful career, Harvey retired in 1988 after 36 years at CN.

Harvey had many interests and was a long-time volunteer with Meals on Wheels as well as an active supporter of the United Way in Winnipeg. His greatest passion was talking pensions and telling jokes. He was a longtime member of the United Transportation Union, and a member of the CN Vets, and later a charter member of what became the CN Pensioners' Association of Manitoba. He edited the CN Vets newsletter and later the CN Pensioners' newsletter for more than 20 years. He also served on the CN Pension Board, a fore-runner of the CN Pension Committee. He is survived by his wife Sonia, and his children Pam, Kari, Tom and Andrea, grandchildren Megan, Andrew, Jeremy, Bradley(Jen), Margaret (Claude Campeau), Brendan, Alexander, Keenan, and great granddaughters Abigail and Leah.

Thank you Harvey for all the years of caring and giving. We know you will be continuing your "railroading" from beyond and that you will keep a watchful eye on your family as well as your CN Family. God Bless you Harvey!

Seasons Greetings to All!

On behalf of the Executive of the CN Pensioners' Association of Manitoba, I would like to take this opportunity to extend best wishes to our membership and their families for a Very Merry Christmas, and a Happy and Healthy New Year!

Ron Davis, President

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Ron Davis, Past President

# Membership Report—Wayne Zaharia

Total paid membership 4,021 Pension Cheque deduction 3,888 Fees paid by cheque 133

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

Bertrand, Leon Bewski, Ken Bouvier, Dan Chartrand, Arthur Evans, David Hickey, Brett Hosfield, Sonia MacDonald, David Millar, Richard Nicholson, Lloyd Taylorson, Dennis Walters, Eileen Wyer, Nigel

Following members have moved and if anyone knows where they are, please let me know so I can keep our data base up to date. Thanks.

Olga Armstrong, Tina Baker, John G. Dryden, Pauline Fedoruk, Alice Kulczycki, Mary D. Moore, Walter Senyk, Daniel Smith, Beverly Spooner, Olga Stelmach, Mary Stuart, John Swain.

It's that time of the year for cheque paying members. Your 2014 fees are coming due and I would really appreciate you signing up for pension cheque deduction of \$1 a month. This makes it easier for all by saving time inputting data into our membership data base, taking cheques to the bank and informing National Council of members paying by cheque. It saves you time in not having to make out application, envelope and buying stamps but most importantly you don't have to wonder did I pay my membership or not. It's quick and easy to do – just give me a call at 204-694-5133 and I will make the necessary arrangements for you. Remember we are all volunteers working on your behalf. Thanks very much.

If you have paid your membership fee since September 1, 2014 it will be applied towards your 2014 membership fee. **Reminder:** Pension cheque deduction members do not have to renew every year. *See back of Insert for membership application form.* This is for cheque paying members who hopefully will sign up for pension cheque deduction.

## First Time Attendees & New Members

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 at our September, October and November meetings.

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Note to Those Who Pay Membership by Cheque: Due to increased postage costs, annual membership cards will no longer be mailed out.

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## Special Events Report—Linda Schram

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 anyway please contact Linda at 204-255-5636. *Visit our website often at www.cnpensioners.ca for updates, announcements and to view our newsletters.* 

#### Reminder — there is no meeting in December. We have our Christmas luncheon instead.

As we approach the Christmas Season, we hope that you have enjoyed the speakers and activities of the past year and we hope that you are able to attend our annual Christmas Luncheon. We will continue to strive to provide interesting and informative guest speakers in 2015 as well as plan some fun events for you. We hope that you will "put us on your calendar" and join us at our upcoming meetings and events. *Wishing you and your families a Joyous Holiday Season and a Happy & Healthy 2015!* 

January 7th, 2015: The Executive will update everyone on the discussions at the AGM. February 4th, 2015: Guest Speaker to be announced.

Congratulations to Linda Schram on being elected to the National Council as Director for the ensuing 3 years!

#### Photos from Family Day at Symington September 2014

(See P. 7 for write up)





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

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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!* 

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: (\* denotes member).

#### Sick List:

- Boris Beyak\* has heart problems. He is home now and is feeling better.
- Ed Grzadka\* underwent further throat surgery which went very well. His voice is much better. He is recuperating at home.
- Ralph Hassar\* underwent heart surgery in early September. He is recuperating at home.
- Elwood Henderson\* has been undergoing chemo therapy.
- Adam Kwiatek\* retired Carman, is in Health Sciences Centre after undergoing a back operation.
- Allan Robertson\* fractured his pelvis recently. He is in Victoria Hospital and expects to soon be transferred to Riverview Health Centre for therapy

#### Happy Birthday Wishes To:

- Alice Claeys\* celebrated her 80<sup>th</sup> birthday on September 23<sup>rd</sup>.
- Wilfred Dickey\* celebrated his 92<sup>nd</sup> birthday on September 3<sup>rd</sup>.
- Bob Gill\* celebrated his 84<sup>th</sup> birthday on October 14<sup>th</sup>.
- Dave Logan\* celebrated his 75<sup>th</sup> birthday on September 4<sup>th</sup>.
- Don McArthur\* celebrated his 85<sup>th</sup> birthday on October 18<sup>th</sup>.
- Jack Moore\* will celebrate his 59<sup>th</sup> birthday on November 22<sup>nd</sup>.
- Ron Poersch\* will celebrate his 80<sup>th</sup> birthday on December 27<sup>th</sup>.
- Gerry Russell\* celebrated his 85<sup>th</sup> birthday on November 2<sup>nd</sup>.
- Teresita San Diego\* celebrated her 80<sup>th</sup> birthday on September 5<sup>th</sup>.
- Larry Schindell\* will celebrate his 90<sup>th</sup> birthday on December 12<sup>th</sup>.
- Murray Strong\* will celebrate his 80<sup>th</sup> birthday on December 13<sup>th</sup>.
- Marcel Vannevel\* celebrated his 74<sup>th</sup> birthday on September 29<sup>th</sup>.

#### Happy Anniversary Wishes To:

- William\* and Diana Baran celebrated their 59<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary on October 8<sup>th</sup>.
- Dale\* and Alma Campbell will celebrate their 63<sup>rd</sup> Wedding Anniversary on December 1<sup>st</sup>.
- Ken\* and Joan Craig celebrated their 60<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary on October 16<sup>th</sup>.
- Albert\* and Madeleine Delbaere celebrated their 52<sup>nd</sup> Wedding Anniversary on September 29<sup>th</sup>.
- George\* and Janet DeSerranno celebrated their 50<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary on September 19<sup>th</sup>.
- Forrest\* and Verla Finlay will celebrate their 60<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary on November 20<sup>th</sup>.

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#### Happy Anniversary Wishes Continued:

- Rick\* and Joanne Fleming will celebrate their 40<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary on November 30<sup>th</sup>.
- Juan\* and Isabel Molina celebrated their 53<sup>rd</sup> Wedding Anniversary on September 23<sup>rd</sup>.
- Gerry\* and Mary Ann Russell celebrated their 42<sup>nd</sup> Wedding Anniversary on October 14<sup>th</sup>.
- Sam\* and Bernice Sadler celebrated their 66<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary on September 5<sup>th</sup>.
- Tom\* and Faye Serofin celebrated their 60<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary on October 16<sup>th</sup>.
- Wally\* and Adeline Thomson celebrated their 65<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary on September 3<sup>rd</sup>.
- Ted\* and Lillian Warburton celebrated their 55<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary on September 26<sup>th</sup>.

#### **Birthday of the Month:**

August: Jim Kolson September: Bryan Harmer October: Bev Vanderlok November: Dennis Brown December: Rick Flemming

#### **Door Prizes:**

September: Albert Delbeare, Dennis Brown, Stella Patson, and Henry Klassen October: Eugenia Komish, Bryan Labarge, Carson Hull and Mark Mercier November: Bill Salamon, Phil Gaudet, Greg Hnatyshyn, Donna Yarema

**Obituaries:** The following pensioners have passed away since the last report (\* denotes member of the Manitoba Pensioners' Association). *The CN Pensioners Association of Manitoba extends our sincere condolences to the family and friends of the deceased.* 

Jan Adair, wife of Wally Adair*
Stephanie Barnett*
Grete Barthel
Everett Beers
Wladyslawa Bilicki
Vera Blunden*
Harry Bostrom
Dorothy Campbell
Ernest Cruse*
Jack Da Silva*
Marie Dumas
Therese Fillion*
Zoe Gagnon*
David Gardiner*
Delores Gembey*
Richard Hammond*
James Heaps
Harvey Hosfield*
Ronald Irvine*

Barbara Jones\* **Gladys Kallwies** Joe Kowalski\* Nettie Kowalyk\* Garth Kruger\* Andreas Kurtz\* Helen Labady\* Agnes Lafontaine Glenn Lawson\* Edward Luchka\* Frances Malazdrewicz\* Margaret Marshall\* Russ Mateush\* Robert McKav\* Flora McWhirter Wasyl (Bill) Mykytiuk Pauline Pelczar\* Mike Picklyk\* **Rose Piush** 

Matthew Posthumus\* Bill Reillv\* Metro Rewniak\* Frank Richards\* Thomas Shand\* Catherine Skalzoob\* Izaak Stolk Tim Stevens\* Jack Stewart\* Elsie Stuermer Stanley Tarnowski\* James Teeple\* Arthur Wattis\* Elizabeth Wazny\* Norman Wicharenko Clifford Wood\* Cassie Zelinsky

# Publicity Chair—Jack Moore



Andrew Juvonen

Elliot Kiel



## 2014 Manitoba Bursary Recipients

The CN Pensioners Association of Manitoba is pleased to announce the two recipients of the 2014 Bursary Awards: Andrew Juvonen, grandson of Kal Juvonen, and Elliot Kiel, grandson of Angus Stewart McMahon.

Andrew graduated from Lord Selkirk Regional Comprehensive Secondary School and has enrolled at the Royal Military College of Canada in Kingston Ontario in the field of Engineering. Elliot graduated from Teulon Collegiate Institute and has enrolled at the University of Manitoba in the field of Agricultural and Food Sciences.

On behalf of all members of the CN Pensioners' Association of Manitoba, we wish Andrew and Elliot the best of luck in their chosen fields and much success in the future!

The 2014 winners of the **National Association Scholarship Program** for the Prairie Region are: Kara Lipski (Grandfather Bryan Lipski), Kaitlyn Reimer (Grandfather John Petkau), Andrew Juvonen, (Grandfather Kal Juvonen) and Jenna Coutts (Grandfather AdrianVersluis). A full report of all of the winners of the 2014 National Scholarship Program will be in the upcoming National Newsletter. Congratulations to all!

## **Bursary Reminder**

I want to thank all who applied and <u>I urge all those who were NOT successful recipients this year, to re-apply</u> <u>next year</u> as long as the applicant meets all of the Association criteria. The application requirements can be found at <u>www.cnpensioners.ca</u>.

Our Bursary Program requirements are such that allows applicants to re-apply each year, as long as they were **not** previously awarded our bursary and still meet the criteria set out by the Pensioners' Association of Manitoba At the same time, you can also apply yearly to the National Council of CN Pensioners' Association for one of their Scholarship Awards, as long as you have never been awarded one of the National Association Scholarships and you meet their criteria. Their application can be found at <u>www.cnpensioners.org</u>.



#### The CN Clock Tower—Transcona

The CN Clock Tower, which CN donated \$250,000 towards the construction of, is located at Transcona Centennial Square and is a wonderful reminder of the role CN has historically played in this community.

Behind the clock is the Archambault Pavilion where free concerts are held during the summer months on Fridays.

They also hold a farmers market on Thursdays & Saturday mornings during the summer months in the square.





#### Symington Family Day 2014

This could be one of the largest Family Day events held as approximately 4000 people made their way to Symington Yard for Family Day 2014 on Saturday, September 06, 2014. The weather co-operated with warm temperatures and a mix of sun and cloud as the kids had fun on the Wonder Show rides and took pictures with Spiderman, Batman and other Disney characters.

The line for the train ride was long, but worth the wait to board the passenger cars for a short ride. Some lucky families even got to ride in the lead unit. Danny's Whole Hog did a fantastic

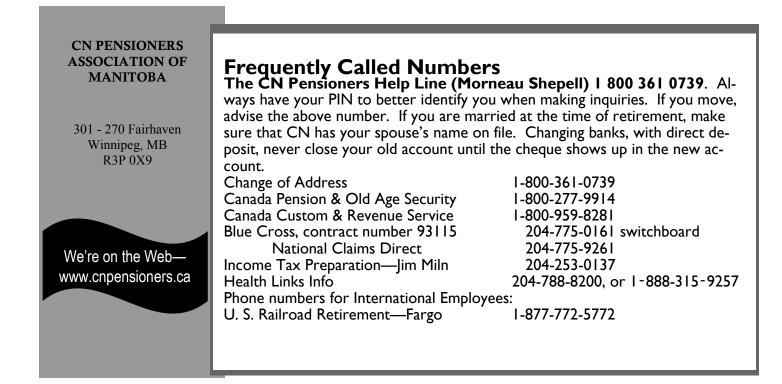
job of feeding everyone with a good assortment of food including pulled pork, smokies, hot dogs and an assortment of salads. Drinks, ice cream and cotton candy completed the meal. The silent auction was a big hit with over 140 different prizes to win and more than \$12,800 was raised for their charities.

Thank you to CN and all the active employees and pensioners who volunteered their time to make this such a huge success! Congratulations! (More photos on P.3).

# Bowling<br/>CNPA Mixed 5 pin Bowling league meets every<br/>Thursday at 10:00 a.m. at Mosienko Lanes. If<br/>you would like to join or spare, contact Marge<br/>Jacobson. 204-222-6012.CN Employees' & Pensioners' Community<br/>Fund –see insert from Dave SimpsonAlso, for more information about this program, please visit:<br/>www.caissedebienfaisancecn.com/en/index.sn?igl=en.

#### CN Railroaders in the Community Retiree Program

This program recognizes efforts of retired employees by providing a \$500 cash grant to the community based charitable organization they choose to support through their volunteer efforts. To learn more or to apply, visit http://www.cn.ca/en/delivering-responsibly/community/cn-railroaders-community or the National Council website at www.cnpensioners.org and click on the tab "CN Volunteers". Please let us know if your volunteer work has resulted in a grant to your charity by emailing us at jelretiredmama@hotmail.com. Please be sure to indicate this in the subject line. **Congratulations to Paul Vandal for his volunteer work with Sara Riel Inc.** 



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