

BELLEVILLE

# Belleville and District Newsletter

Winter 2022 Edition (January)



# May They Rest In Leace :

Barry John Barth	14 July 2021
Stephen Lorne Fargey	4 August 2021
Helen Florence Jacqueline Worrell	20 August 2021
Rene St James	27 August 2021
Lucille Agnes Sheridan	10 September 2021
Sherry Gilligan	25 September 2021
Velma Flaudia VanAllen	26 September 2021
Gladys Mae Brine	3 October 2021
Allan Walsh	16 October 2021
Patrick Gerald Leonard	6 November 2021
Mary Edwinna (Winn) McGillvray	2 December 2021
Perry Alexander Soule	1 January 2022

#### Did you know?

When a contributing member of our association dies,

the surviving spouse is welcomed to our dinner meetings at no charge for a full year? **IMPORTANT...** 

When a pensioner changes address, a person becomes a new pensioner (retiree or surviving spouse), or a pensioner dies, **CN Pension and Benefits Administration** must be advised (**1-800-361-0739**). A surviving spouse does **not** automatically remain a member of the CN Pensioners Association. To remain a member of the Belleville Council, the surviving spouse must complete a new membership application and arrange their own payment of dues (\$1.00 per month).

## Welcome to our Newest Members:

Magee E Druce

Donna St James

Joan Cryderman Garnet Hart

Tim Murphy

Brendan (Joe) Dockrill

Lorna Walsh

Darryl Barth

#### **EVER WONDER...**

What happens to the \$1.00 per month you give to the CNPA if you are a contributing member? Here is how our National President, Reg Hubert explains it...

The \$1.00 is automatically deducted from your monthly pension (PRD) and deposited electronically into the CNPA account (presently managed by our treasurer Bruce Peacock). In a one year period, each contributing member (this includes retirees and surviving spouses) contributes \$12.00. Our bylaws presently state that \$9.00 of that money goes back to the local council to which the member is associated for their use. In actual fact, because of a motion passed at the annual Director's meeting, \$10.00 goes back to local councils. The extra \$1.00 is to be used to work on increasing membership at the local level.

Each council has full control of what activities they fund with their money. Each council has to conduct a yearly audit and submit the results to regional council.

So, each year, there is \$2.00 per contributing member left that goes to the National Council. That money supports the costs of operating a national association. Finances are managed carefully, some would say frugally, as they should be.

The continued existence of our association is based on membership support. National Membership Chairperson, Bruce Peacock, and many local membership recruiters work tirelessly to try and convince new retirees, surviving spouses and longer term retirees who are listed as **NI** (not interested) to join the association.

#### Belleville Council (C3)

*In non-covid times,* 

General meetings/dinners are held at 12 noon on the 3rd Wednesday of every month except June, July, August and December.

Meeting place - Quinte Sports Centre (Multi Purpose Room) 265 Cannifton Road

Belleville, ON

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#### President's Message

Hello Ladies & Gentlemen,

Hopefully you're all Happy and Healthy. As we are going through some very trying times with the Covid the business end of the CNPA is still running well and looking after your interests.

I'm not sure when we'll get back to our dinners or even meetings in person, but I believe we have it in the viewing glass.

The CNR Yardman Tribute Memorial Committee is still having meetings and the Committee Members are passing out Brochures on our project to raise money. We do have a Fundraising Chair, Adrian Bax, who is a great asset to the Committee.

Our Local C3 Belleville Pensioners Association meet in person when Covid allows us. We are still here to address any issues you may have and PLEASE feel free to contact anyone on the Committee.

This year we have Two Members getting Century Gifts as they turn 100 yrs young. Happy Birthday & Best Wishes to them.

At this time I would like to give Special Thanks to All our Local Belleville C3 Committee Members who give freely of their time and skills in making our Belleville Pensioner's Association a great success, and I get to play a part in it. Cheers.

If you are interested in becoming a committee member we can sign you... not much work or pay but you can have fun.

On a closing note here's a smile: Laugh and the world laughs with you, snore and you sleep alone.

Be Happy and Kind

Cheers

Les MacDonald

"The people who don't ask questions remain clueless throughout their lives."
- Neil deGrasse Tyson



## January Birthdays

- 1. Rita Carriere
- 3. Joseph Leroux
- 10. Evelyn Aide
- 13 Elizabeth Aldrich
- 16. Keitha Collins
- 19. Doreen Gray
- 23. Norm Newton
- 26. Deborah Black

- 1. J Lorne Fargey
- 5. Michael Fahey
- 12. Yves Leroux
- 14. Helen Kinloch
- 17. Harriet Nickerson
- 20. Marie Barr
- 24. Trul Trulsen
- 28. Dale Duvall
- 30. Norman Lentz

- 2. Lydia Stratton
- 8. Dorothy Hughes
- 12. Donna Simpson
- 15. Joan Fletcher
- 18. Wilbert Collins
- 23. Donald Nolan
- 25. Bill Hrynick
- 28. Ann Schwager

### January Anniversaries

21. Bevan William, Catherine

22. Mueller John, Heather

#### February Birthdays

- 2. Yolanda Gutoskie
- 3. Eva Smith
- 6. Donna Bellwood
- 15. Timothy Spice
- 19. Sharon Graham

- 2. Elsie Machan
- 4. Dorothy Riley
- 6. Nancy Bunnett
- 17. Rana Harris
- 23. Edna Beaton

- 3. Robert Eric Mckague
- 5. Steve Thorne
- 12. Wm J Nolan
- 17. Mary Sheedy
- 26. Terry Meers

## February Anniversaries

9. Smith. Jack, Sandra

#### March Birthdays

- 1. Don Bishop
- 4. Bessie Bonter
- 7. Collette Benight
- 8. Nelson Fitzgerald
- 10. Ryan Hackett
- 15. Beth Collyer
- 20. Ernest Hollister
- 22. Wilfred Beaudrie
- 22. Aloise Muskiluke
- 24. Mary Walsh
- 26. David Simpson
- 27. Ingrid Harrington

- 2. Audrey Fox
- 5. Tim Verge
- 7. Faye Clancy
- 8. Denise M Vernier
- 11. Frances Grant
- 16. Giselle Clement
- 21. Evelyn Tripp
- 22. Gerry Hughes
- 24. Bryan Smith
- 24. Marion Coveduck
- 26. Don Harris

- 4. Paul Bently
- 7. William Bevan
- 7. Emily Hebbourn
- 9. Thomas C Jury
- 13. Bill Black
- 20. Lloyd Kellett
- 21. Gwendolyn Newton
- 22. Doug Thrasher
- 24. Ethel Pearl Asselstine
- 25. Jennie Ellen Gregg
- 27. Mary White
- 31. Arthur Quesnel

#### March Anniversaries

- 2. Phillips Rick, Cheryl
- 10. Graham James, Sharon
- 17. Leroux Yves, Betty
- 3. Carrol John, Joanne
- 14. Spice Timothy, Deanna.
- 9. Dafoe Donald, Donna
- 15. Collins Wilbert, Keitha
- 26. Hughes Gerry, Dorothy

CN #572 southbound at Wick Road in Allen Park, MI on Jan 15, 2020. Kenneth Borg



### April Birthdays

- 1. Margaret Pumple
- 10. John Mueller
- 17. Marie Johnson
- 24. Wilma Guest
- 26. Bev Verge
- 30. Robert Bellewood

- 8. Edwin Glenn
- 13. John McGinnis
- 18. Shirley Thrasher
- 25. Harry Hebbourn
- 27. Marlene Glenn
- 10. Jesse Ladoucier
- 16. Eva Bellis
- 21. Murray Martin
- 25. Jack Smith
- 28. Doris Hiddleston
- 30. Arthur G Bowers

## April Anniversaries

- 2. Pitt Jack, Nancy
- 5. O'Hara. Elaine, Allan
- 16. Collyer Tom, Beth
- 3. Hampson Larry, Debbie
- 10. Simpson David, Donna.
- 3. Cousins Robert J, Marg
- 11. Schwager Ted, Anne
- 21. Verge Tim, Bev

Let me tell you something about.... YOU.... CNPA member

**Your** story is much more interesting than **you** think! How and when did **you** become involved with **CN**?

Where did your journey take **you** and what stops did **you** make along the way? We would all like to know a little more about **you**.

Contact the editor at the dinner meetings or send an email to <u>jwmueller44@yahoo.ca</u> subject line "CNPA Belleville Newsletter".

"Knowing when to walk away is wisdom. Being able to is courage. Walking away with grace and your head held high is dignity."

— Ritu Ghatourey

#### **CN** Pensioners' web portal

The portal is now available at <u>cnbenefits.hroffice.com</u>

It will allow you to access relevant pension information and update your address and banking information. On your first visit, you will need to register. You will then be able to access the portal using your **CN** PIN (login ID) and the password you created. If you require assistance with registering or logging in, please call the Pensioners' Help Line at **1 800 361-0739**.

While you are at it, check out <a href="www.cnpensioners.org">www.cnpensioners.org</a>
Read stories and newsletters online.

Log in to the Discussion Forum to find out what other pensioners are concerned about.

Have questions? Ask on the Discussion Forum. Get answers.

"I would never die for my beliefs because I might be wrong."

- Bertrand Russell

For their continued support of our association,

Thank you to:

# **Star Trophies**

58 North Park Gardens Belleville, ON K8P 2M3

The place to go if you need trophies, awards, commemorative items and much more!

Phone: 613 967-1667 Fax: 613 967-9687 Shortly after making the announcement to rename the Yardmen Arena, the City of Belleville and the Belleville Senators agreed that the Yardmen's history and contributions must be memorialized and honoured in a significant way. "The Yardmen were the driving force behind the original development of the arena and all parties agreed the acknowledgement of this community contribution must be a part of the renaming process."

Fundraising is under way to build a permanent **CN Yardmen Tribute** Memorial at the entrance to the Quinte Sports & Wellness Centre to honour its founders. (see concept picture on page 1)

All donations will be listed on the City of Belleville website and included in the marketing campaign.

#### **Donation Levels**

\$20.00 - \$1,000 \$1,000 - \$5,000 \$5,000 - \$25,000 \$25,000 - \$50,000 \$50,000 - \$100,000+

Donations over \$10,000 will have the donor name added to a wall plaque at the monument site.

You can make an anonymous donation or leave a legacy of a family member in their memory or honour.

The online form to make a donation using a credit card is; <a href="https://forms.belleville.ca/Finance/Live-Forms/Yardmen-CN-Monument">https://forms.belleville.ca/Finance/Live-Forms/Yardmen-CN-Monument</a>

Donations can be accepted in person or by mailing a cheque to;

City Hall 169 Front Street Belleville, ON K8N 2Y8

Please make cheques payable to the *City of Belleville* showing *CN Yardmen Monument Tribute* in the subject line.

Tax receipts will be issued for all donations.

#### Railroader in the Community

The *CN Railroader in the Community* programme provides grants to employees, **retirees** & **spouses** in recognition of time volunteered to registered charities in their communities. It is highly recommended to participate in this programme if you qualify. Not only can your charity benefit from your volunteering, it may also benefit financially! Further information on the "net" at **cn.ca/employeevolunteer**.

"The meaning of life is to find your gift.

The purpose of life is to give it away."

-Pablo Picasso

#### Newsletters are published each January, May and September.

We would love to have some contributions from you for future newsletters. How about it? Do you have a story or tale to share with our readers? Maybe you have an idea or other topic of interest to submit. Perhaps you could report on an event you attended.

"Happiness often sneaks in through a door you didn't know you left open."

- John Barrymore

Check out <u>www.cnpensioners.org</u>

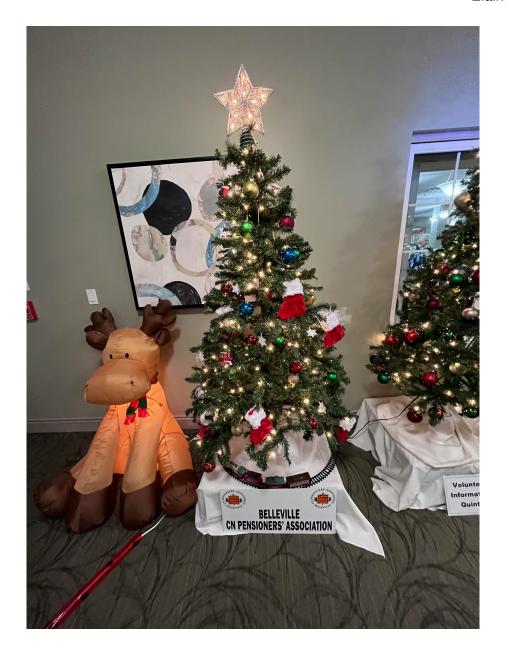
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Hello everyone,

Here is a photo of our tree displayed at Quinte Gardens December 2021.

- Elaine O'Hara



Well done Elaine. Thanks for all your hard work and effort.

Women work all the time, but, when men work they put up signs.