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PRESIDENTS REPORT[

THE PREZ SEZ:

FINALLY!

It appears that Spring has finally sprung and warmer days are ahead. We have already begun to anticipate those activities that will take us out and about in the nice weather:

WE'RE GOING TO VISIT OUR FRIENDS

We will be travelling the 401 West to Windsor on Monday April 28th...an annual trek that allows us to enjoy lunch and fellowship with our neighbouring CP Pensioner Group, to renew old friendships and relive our working days together. Rumour is that a special birthday cake will celebrate the 90th birthday of Paul Fair, who was a founding member and who has been a long-time contributor to the health and wellbeing of the Windsor group. We are always welcome when we join our brothers and sisters at their meeting - lunch is served at 12:00 - and it will be appreciated if we can inform them in advance of the numbers of folks who will be attending. Please see Gary at the end of this meeting to indicate that you will be going, or to offer a lift or ask for a ride, so that we can be

sure that no one is left behind.

WE'RE GOING TO A BIG BAND CONCERT

There will be twenty members or bowling associates travelling to Brantford on May 14th for lunch and *The Birth of Swing* big-band concert. Your pickup location and time is on your receipt, and it is appreciated if you are there a little early to expedite the trip. Lunch is at the Best Western Brantford, and is buffet style.

WE'RE PLANNING AN ACTIVITY WITH OUR FRIENDS IN WINDSOR

Today we will be making some decisions about a potential activity with our friends in Windsor.

Did you know that gangster Al Capone visited Windsor many times? Or that the largest neon sign of the day was in Windsor, but it was positioned so that only those on the American side of the Detroit River could see it? And that it advertised Hiram Walker's *Canadian Club* whiskey?

Rumrunners is a 5-hour exploration of the days of U.S. Prohibition, and the effect it had on the city and citizens of Windsor. We will board a trolley that will take us to places of interest, intrigue, murder and plotting, and places where fortunes were made and lost. Along the way, characters in period costume and representing actual players and events of the time will board the trolley with skits and information to tell their tales. Lunch will be at the *Chateau La Salle*, an important launch site for the running of illegal booze, and will feature a live show and music of the era. The tour will end at Hiram Walker's visitor centre with a tasting of their whiskeys. Price per person is \$69.50, which includes lunch.

Since this is a trip that we are organizing for ourselves, today we need to decide on transportation to Windsor, determine the number of members intending to go, and a date for the trip. This information will be brought next week to the meeting in Windsor, for their Executive to follow up.

Final decisions will be presented at the May meeting.

WE'RE ADJUSTING OUR CALENDARS

The Queen did it again! A Birthday Bash is a great idea - but on our meeting day!? We are not amused.

So we need to note on our calendars that **our May meeting will be May 12th, 2014**. This meeting will be our last meeting of this season, so we hope that there will be a large turnout to wish each other a happy Summer break.

FOLLOW UP OF NCCPPA RESOLUTIONS FROM 2013 CONVENTION

Paper copies of Lyle's memo are available if you wish to read it in full. See Gary after the meeting.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Treasurer's Report for April Meeting is as follows.

March Meeting we had 40 members present for lunch, 32 paid at door and 8 yearly paid members \$288.00

Door prize \$25.00

Expenses

RCL Branch 317 40 lunches \$320.00

Cards after meeting \$10.00

Deposit March 18 - \$400.00

Cash on hand \$257.00

Bank Balance \$4004.62 for pensioners group

Bank balance as of March 31,2014: \$ 8689.16 for bowling group

BOWLING NEWS:

It has been an interesting couple of weeks. We learned that due to changes Fleetway bowling centre are making over the summer we will lose 2 lanes next year which equates to 2 teams or 12 bowlers. This was tough news since we have the maximum number of players per team and no vacancies and of course we do not want to lose anyone. We do however have a fairly high absenteeism rate and so we approached our bowlers asking for volunteers to join a spare list for next season or until such time as we can work everyone back into the line up. The result is that we had 10 individuals volunteer to this point with 4 more individuals who will decide later in the summer as to whether they will be able to join us in the fall. We are indeed most grateful to everyone who has so willingly volunteered to help us out of this situation. New teams will be drafted over the summer and captains will be advised of their new teams prior to September.

Back to this year. We're down to the last week to determine final standings prior to the playoff week on April 29th. At this point there are 2 teams in the running for top spot in season two and a chance to playoff against Karen mazereeuw for the league champions and 2nd place. All the rest of our teams will be playing off against each other for Division A and Division B winners. Should be a fun week.

Best over average scores since last month are:

March 18 - Randy Frise - 241, Charlie McClure - 212, Tom McLachlan - 249, Lynda Hyman - 217

March 25 - Jerry McGrenere - 274, George Renno - 245, Louise Bolton - 286, Linda Regnier - 254

April 01 - Anthony Mazereeuw - 262, Chris Goraj - 259, Ron Fox - 150, Eleanor McGrenere - 186

April 08 - John Elliott - 273, Marie Swallow - 240, Gary Hackney - 211, Bud Bathgate - 201

April 15 - Anthony Mazereeuw - 202, Ken Johnson - 239, Ian McLeod - 172, Tom McLachlan - 236

SECRETARY'S REPORT:

President Gary alerted the assemblage to order at 12:08 P.M.

Lunch was a little late and Jim Harris delighted the members with a few jokes.

Because of the closeness of St. Patrick's Day we were served Corned beef, potatoes, cabbage, tossed salad and for dessert fruit salad.

On re-adjournment at 12:53 P.M. Prez Gary dealt with business. The club will be visiting our Windsor brethren at the Moose Lodge on April 28th. It would appear that that 7 to 10 pensioners will be going.

Treasurer's Report indicated 3,924.62 in the bank

It was brought to the attention of the club that there is a Hearing Instrument Specialist,

Nicole Worotny, available at no charge to testone 's hearing. The email address is

www.activeears.com or by cell phone 519 852 6922.

We had a guest speaker Christian Bulles from Senior Homecare By Angels who was introduced by Nancie Hackney.

We were informed initially this Agency provides seniors and adults with the needed assistance to continue living at home.

Their mission is to maintain the independence and familiar surroundings for those in need of care.

Our speaker talked about one being able to select your caregiver and that they deal with relationships that could last for years.

There is much more detail but if you are interested in more information it can be obtained at Phone No. 519 649 2273 or

web site www.SeniorHomecareByangels.com/London or info@srhomecarebyangels.com

Attendance – 41

Next meeting – Easter Monday, April 21st, 2014.

Euchre will be played if there are 2 tables.

Meeting adjourned at 1.33 P..