

A NOTE FROM THE PRESIDENT



Hello everyone,

Well what a strange year we are having. This year has affected us all in many ways. From people not able to see friends and relatives to not being able to travel everyone has been affected by this virus. We here at the National Capital and Nunavut Regional Board of Directors have been trying different ways of meeting and trying to find ways to keep in touch with all our members. We have had some technical problems with our Communique this year. Between new software and no trained personnel to work with it, we have resorted to putting something together as best we can. I would like to send out a personal thank you to our Board Member Ellen Chasse for all her work to get this issue out to you all.

I would like to bring you all up to date on what we have been doing and what our plans are going forward. First of all Our Pension Fund. Our Pension Fund as of Dec. 31, 2019 was at 8 billion dollars. As of March 31, 2020 it was at 7 billion dollars. As of June 30, 2020 it is at 8.5 billion dollars. So we have gained back what was lost and then some. We are in a good financial position so there is no need to worry.

I have had meetings with the National Board via ZOOM and we have recommended that until further notice, all in-person meetings will be replaced with ZOOM Meetings. It is recommended by the National Office that all Regions do the same. So, with that in mind, we would like to experiment with the ZOOM meetings by having a luncheon ZOOM meeting in September. This meeting will be to test out the abilities of the system and also, to get to see as many of you as possible in a face to face setting and hear what you have been doing and how you have been coping. We will let you all know more about this as we get closer to the date.

Our regular Annual General Meeting for the National Capital and Nunavut Region will be held as a ZOOM Meeting on October 28th, 2020. We will keep you informed as we get closer to the date. At our AGM we will be looking for three new board members to join us. If anyone is interested in standing for one of the vacant positions on the Board of Directors please get in contact with any current Board Member or myself. We will be happy to discuss what is involved.

In May of 2021 our PNA will have our Triennial Conference here in Ottawa. At this Conference as well as having our elections for the Executive Officers, we will be discussing 4 main topics. They will be Growing the Membership, Communicating with our Members, Being Politically Active and Relationship with the CBC/Radio-Canada. The discussions will be held prior to the convention by members like you who would like to sit on any one of the four groups. These four groups will present their findings to the Convention. These will be very busy work groups with a lot of work involved before the Convention. So, if anyone of you is interested in joining one of these groups please let Suzanne Cunningham or myself know before Sept 15th so we can submit your name.

That is about it for me so, Stay Safe and Stay Healthy!

Kerry Adams President National Capital and Nunavut Region

MYTHS AND FACTS #1

The PNA is really only a social club. Why should I join and pay membership fees when I can easily get together with previous colleagues for pizza and beer on my own?

The PNA supports, encourages and facilitates members connecting with one another by offering social and other events. These events are only one facet of the PNA and why it exists. The PNA supports and works on behalf of pensioners in several areas such as supplementary health care and CBC pension issues. The PNA also works with other pension groups when new legislation is presented that can affect the well-being of pensioners. It speaks to the CBC on behalf of pensioners. Becoming a member ensures that your voice is heard on matters regarding pension, health care, and legislative matters.



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UPCOMING ZOOM EVENTS

Please Join Us!

In September - "Let's Connect by ZOOM!"

On October 28th, ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING - on ZOOM

REMEMBERED FRIENDS



ANIDO, Jane Stayt passed away on December 4, 2019, from an unexpected brain injury. She is survived by her daughters and sons-in-law, Alexandra and Greg Mondre and Elizabeth and Daniel Berholz; her husband, Martin Low and his children, Jessica, Thomas (Erin) and Katie (Scott); her brother and sister-in-law Jonathan Stayt and Sharon McCarthy; her brother-in-law and sister-in-law Philip and Diane Anido. Jane's professional life began in public journalism as the first woman television news presenter for the NZBC in Christchurch, NZ. She then moved to Australia with David and spent two years with the Australian Broadcasting Corporation. Jane and David moved to Ottawa in 1975, where Jane became a prominent voice in public broadcasting at the CBC in Ottawa. Her career was interrupted twice, when David, then a Canadian diplomat, was posted abroad and their family relocated, first to the Canadian Embassy in Rome, and then to the Canadian Embassy in Tokyo, where she worked

for the NHK, the Japanese public broadcaster. Once back in Canada, Jane spent the rest of her professional life with the CBC, becoming the Director of CBC News Centres Programming at CBC headquarters in Toronto and then Managing Director of CBC in Ottawa.



BELISLE, "Gerry" Gerald Joseph passed away peacefully on December 16, 2019 in his 86th year. Dear husband for 59 years to Kathleen "Kit" (nee Hobbs) loving father to Colleen (Joe Irvin), Geoffrey (Joanie Schatz) and the late Andrew, proud "Papa" to Joey, Jack,

Kaleigh, D.K., and Abbey. Gerry was a graduate of Carleton University and worked at the CBC and then as Vice President of the Royal Canadian Mint. After retirement, he became a Royal Lepage Gale Real Estate Broker, working with Kit at their home on Aylen Lake for 28 years.



BLOUIN, Marthe, journalist, Radio-Canada died suddenly August 31st, at the age of 66. Marthe's career began as a researcher, then in the Montreal newsroom, before heading for Quebec City where she worked most notably on Contrechamp, and became parliamentary correspondent at the National Assembly

from 1986 to 1991. She then taught journalism at the Université du Québec in the Outaouais and the University of Ottawa. She was the spokeswoman for Governor General, Michaelle Jean from 2007 to 2010. Marthe lived in Ottawa with her beloved husband, Daniel L'Heureux, also a parliamentary correspondent with whom she shared a passion for travel. "A warm, generous person who loved life".(Anne-Marie Dussault)



DAGENAIS, Donald ,Supervisor, Credit and Collection, Finance, Head Office, passed away on December 15, 2019 at the age of 84. Beloved husband of Monique Cardinal Father of Diane, Christine (Joe Prendergast), Denis (Dilla McCully) and Mark, grandfather to Didier, Caleb, Cameron.

Joshua and Morgan. He also leaves his sisters, Patricia and Carol, as well as many other family members and friends.



BROWNE, Cecil William, cameraman, CBC Sports passed away peacefully on Thursday, January 2, 2020, age 90. Cecil became a highly successful TV sports producer and director, having worked for over 40 years in the industry. A pioneer in

broadcasting, he started his career at CBOT TV (CBC) in Ottawa. He was a cameraman on one of the first live TV broadcasts in Canada. He continued to work at the CBC producing and directing CFL football games including many Grey Cups, Hockey Night in Canada telecasts, curling, Major League Baseball (Montreal Expos' games), track and field, skiing - He worked on 8 Olympics from Sapporo to Atlanta, Pan Am Games and Commonwealth Games. He also produced documentaries including a series called Bytown Sketches showcasing Ottawa and the Ottawa Valley.





DUMONT, Jean-Marc ,former film editor at CBOT/CBOFT

died peacefully at the Queensway Carleton Hospital, on Wednesday, November 13, 2019 at the age of 80. Born in Val d'Or, Quebec on February 1, 1939. Predeceased by his beloved wife of 50 years Judith and his daughter Debbie. He is survived by his

sons Marc (Kathy) and Ted (Carolyn) and his grandchildren Eddie and Stephanie.



DUTHIE, Dian (Louise) of Ottawa, age 68 years Passed away peacefully in Almonte on April 14, 2020. **Former reporter CBOT, CTV, b**eloved wife to Derek P. McKay, dearly loved mother of Erin, Kelly (Greg Morrison) and Morgan (Brett Ellenor) loved grandma to Hayden & Charlie Morrison, Lucas and Valentyn Vlazny "Remembered lovingly for her laugh"



GOUDIE, Gerald "Gerry" Arthur Henry

November 16, 1938 - June 3, 2020. Died peacefully at home with his loving wife of 58 years Margaret (nee Shea) and cat by his side. Amazing father to Mark (Lisa), Scott (Chantal) and Erin (Patrick). Adoring grandfather to

Meghan (Macallum), Jackson, Amanda, Laura, Daniel, Mathieu (Krista) and Patrick. Gerry spent his entire career at the CBC where he started in the mailroom, joined CBC's Northern Service and retired from a senior finance position.



GREENOUGH, John David

1949 - 2020 ..died peacefully in his sleep at the age of 71. Loving husband of Judy (née Wilson) for 33 years. Devoted father of David and Michael, and daughter-in-law Cara. Beloved brother of eleven siblings and predeceased by his parents Leonard and

Rita. Proud of his career at CBC Radio news, he travelled the world, often to war-torn areas, in pursuit of important stories to share with Canadians.





HÉON, Gustave, 30 year veteran announcer, host CBOF died in Montreal, August 30,2020, at the age of 81. He leaves his wife Rita Dionne, his children, brothers and sisters-inlaw, nieces, nephews, friends and family



LATREILLE, Gérard "Gerry"

Died serenely in the arms of his wife on June 02, 2020 at the age of 81 at La Maison des Collines in Wakefield. He is survived by his wife Nicole Déry; his daughter Julie (Tim Best); his son Marc (Tamara); his dear grandchildren Tyler and Rachel Latreille; Adam and Logan Best; his sister Paulette (late

Jacques Maisonneuve).



MAGUIRE, John Hubert, production resources radio, and finance CBC Ottawa died peacefully, at the Elisabeth Bruyère Hospital on Friday January 24, 2020, at the age of 87. Beloved husband of the late Naomi (2013). Proud father of the late Terry Sullivan (Ginny Colvin), Derek Sullivan (Kathy Allison), Nancy (Frank Cosentino) and Pamela Dafoe. Born in

Toronto, John grew up in Montreal before moving to Ottawa in the early 1960's. He graduated from Saint Paul's University and worked for the CBC for many years.



McMILLAN, Barclay Francis
Hanlon, announcer, host CBC radio
died on November 2, 2019. Barclay was
born on June 25, 1932 in Belfast,
Northern Ireland. He and his family
relocated to Canada when he was a teen.
Barclay began his career as a teacher in
Madawaska ON and Namur PQ. After a
stint at university, where he joined the
UNTD and served for a time with the

regular navy, he returned to teaching in Yellowknife. He then began work with the CBC, first as an announcer in Inuvik, and then with the CBC's Canadian Armed Forces Network in Werl and then Lahr, West Germany. On his return to Canada in 1971, Barclay immersed himself in academic pursuits. After degrees in arts, music, and library science, he worked briefly for the National Library before being recruited as host of the CBC's daily classical music show Mostly Music, where his musical acumen was beamed across the country. In addition, Barclay authored numerous entries in the Canadian Encyclopedia of Music.





NOBLE, Gordon Frederick Francis
It is with great sadness and heavy
hearts that we announce his peaceful
passing on Friday, July 10, 2020 at
home at the age of 87. Beloved husband
to his late wife Marilyn of 52 years, and
fiancé Sally of six years. Loving father of

Walter (Tina) and Deborah (Rui), proud grandfather of Carlos, Sofia, Teresa, Corey, and Holly. Born in Toronto in 1932, Gordon grew up in Goderich, Ontario. His career spanned over 35 years starting at the Phillips Electronics Company in the 1950's. In the 1960's and 1970's he worked in leadership roles at the Canadian Film Institute and the National Film Board of Canada. In 1978, he continued working in senior management at the Canadian

Broadcasting Corporation until his retirement in 1990.



PAYNE, Finlay, former Head of Program Policy at

Head Office, Ottawa, passed away Friday, February 14, in Victoria following complications from pneumonia; he would have celebrated his 93rd birthday in May. Finlay Payne's CBC career was in

Ottawa, in Vancouver and Toronto. Finlay was hired by at CBC Vancouver as an office clerk in 1946. He transferred to Toronto where he worked in duplication and eventually took a class offered by CBC Toronto to anyone who wanted to work on-air. Then, he got the first announcer position in Ottawa where he worked for the next few years, was involved in organizing the ARTEC Union and was elected to the first ARTEC Board. He did that for two to three years as well as running the new TV station. He became Editor, Information Services with Head Office for four years. Subsequently, he was attached to Parliamentary and Public Relations before becoming the secretary on the committee formed to draft policy in French and English for current affairs programming following the "This Hour Has Seven Days" affair. The four-year commitment resulted in what became known as the Red Book.He retired in 1982 after 36 years with CBC, becoming a member and president of the founding Board of the Vancouver Island Chapter of the BC & Yukon CBC Pensioners' Regional Association



ROBINSON, Peter Eugene, Associate General Counsel,legal department CBC passed away peacefully on Sunday, February 16, 2020. Peter was born January 26, 1934 in Liverpool, England and came to Canada in 1947. a. Peter

began his law career with Scott & Aylen in Ottawa before joining the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation in 1967. He took great pleasure in his work at the CBC and retired as Associate General Counsel in 1997. He was also a member of the board of the CBC Pensioners' Association.

STEPHEN, Richard Willets, 80, , CBC-TV Ottawa maintenance technician died in Houston, Texas, on May 26, 2020, after a long battle with heart disease. After school, Dick trained with the Canadian Army and Air Force. But Dick's life work was in engineering. He worked for the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation (CBC) and built television stations around North America and the world for Immad Broadcast Services. He published his work on converting outdated television stations to digital technology in trade publications. His work took him to places such as Algeria, Congo-Brazzaville, Fiji, Iqaluit, and Nigeria, as well as to Houston, Texas where he met his future wife, Paula.



TROTTIER,Pierre took his last breath in the care of the Ottawa Hospital on July 4, 2020 at the age of 68 years. He leaves two beautiful daughters, Chantal and Julie, three wonderful grandsons, Caden, Josef, Jayce, along with a great-granddaughter, Payton, one niece, Diane, one nephew, Michel, a very special cousin Hélène

(Renaud Lebel), close friend and mother of his daughters, Joan (James Rose), his lifelong friend, Jake Drouin, many cousins and friends, including those from CBC where he worked as **English Production Editor** CBOT for 35 years.

MYTHS AND FACTS #2

I dealt with confidential information while working for the CBC. Does that preclude me from becoming a member (conflict of interest) of the PNA?

At no time would the PNA request from you confidential information you worked with as an employee of the CBC. The PNA is interested in you as a pensioner, your concerns, issues, and stories you wish to share.

