

# The Good Life

Newsletter of the Southwestern Ontario Chapter of The CBC Pensioners National Association

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## **THE HOLIDAY EDITION**

Merry Christmas, Joyeux Noël, חג מולד שמח, Buon Natale, Feliz Natal, Wesołych Świąt, 圣诞节快乐, Feliz Navidad, Fröhliche Weihnachten, メリークリスマス, Happy Holidays!



What an extraordinary year this has been and will continue to be through and into the New Year! Who could ever have foreseen this outcome? One thing that we should be happy to report is that SWO is one of the least effected areas in the province. So, please continue to do your part and follow the guidelines issued by the Provincial and Local Health Authorities. Remain positive and we will get through this together.

You asked I would like more! There is a great deal of information available to our Members and I ask that you take the opportunity to visit your CBC Pensioners National Association website (<https://www.cbcpensioners.ca>). It has been revamped and very easy to surf through. Whether it is information on your Pension Plan (which is doing very well), the SAF (Special Assistance Fund), current or past editions of the National Contact newsletter, the Ontario Livewire newsletter and what is happening in other regions and chapters across Canada; it is all there. A particular piece that was written by Bob Waller of the Golden Horseshoe Chapter, for those enrolled in the SHCP (Supplementary Health Care Plan), is a *must read*.

For our Associates and those contemplating being members, a great deal of the information is also available on the site without the need to login. So, welcome and check it out and feel free to send any of the SWO Board members your feedback and we would be happy to pass it along.

On the subject of feedback, thank you so much to the many members and friends of our Chapter that have kept in touch with us and sharing their personal stories. We always knew that many had a multitude of talent and interests, but some honed them to the point where it has caused many of us to start a new communication link with each other.

Although our year-end party is not doable, as previously announced, it will be (3-Bs) **back, bigger and better!** When it does, we intend to make up for much loss time. In the meantime, when you happen to run into anyone that you know or recognize with a mask on, the question that comes right out is 'what have you been up to?' So, we have started a series called: **'Here is What I Have Been Up To!'**

In our 1<sup>st</sup> Edition, attached are a few names and photographs from our Members and Friends. We hope you enjoy this and feel free to send any of your Board members a few pictures and a description of *what you have been up to!* We are looking forward in continuing this series every couple of months.



This may be the season/year that may never be forgotten, so let's cherish the time with those that we are able to be with. On behalf of your Board of the SWO Chapter of the CBCPNA, we would like to wish everyone a safe and healthy Christmas and a prosperous New Year!

*Gino, Sandy, Jackie, Gerry and Manny*

# HERE IS WHAT I HAVE BEEN UP TO!

Tom Taylor (Video Journalist) – The perfect shot that makes a Photographer



Joanne Hoppe (Operations Manager), Lynn Baker (Producer) and Sandy Tymczak (Videographer) - Ladies on a mission

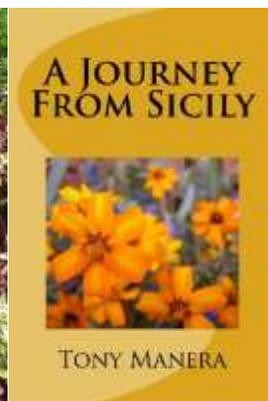
On March 16<sup>th</sup>, we increased our walking from two days to seven days a week. So far we've walked over 1200Kms and are determined to keep going until this pandemic is over....or....until our shoes wear out! LOL (Please note the 6' distance, excellent!)



Gabe Menard – (Production Editor) A Carpenter that does it al



Anthony (Tony) Manera (CBC President) - Horticulturalist and Author



Laurence (Laur) Pray (Video Journalist) – The teacher of Fishermen



Barbara Peacock – (Radio Host) - Dog Agility Handler and Horticulturalist





*Visit our Facebook site (copy and paste the link) to view many of our past activity photos.*  
[https://www.facebook.com/SWOChapterCBCPensioners/?ref=aymt\\_homepage\\_panel](https://www.facebook.com/SWOChapterCBCPensioners/?ref=aymt_homepage_panel)

### **ATTENTION TO ALL OUR CHAPTER MEMBERS**

As per the CBCPNA – Ontario Regional By-laws, we need to execute our Annual General Membership meeting before the end of the year.

Normally we incorporate it in our Christmas party. Seeing that our party will not take place this year, we intend on having it Monday, December 14, 2020 at 2:00 PM using Zoom conferencing, which was setup for our behalf by the CBC Pensioners National Association. If possible, please let us know in advance that you will attend online.

Topic: Southwestern Ontario Chapter's Annual General Membership meeting (AGM):

Time: Dec 14, 2020 02:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting: just click on the link below

<https://zoom.us/j/95162709751?pwd=c0F1d0k4aGVla0lxM2M1dTY2bDVpdz09>

Meeting ID: 951 6270 9751

Passcode: 793536

### **Agenda**

1. Welcome and President's report
2. Approval of last year's minutes
3. Treasurer's report
4. SWO Chapter Newsletter and Updates
5. New Business (?)
6. Adjournment