

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

FEBRUARY, 2012

Happy Valentine's Day to each and every one of you. Can you believe it is now the 2nd month of 2012, how times flies.

As promised I am attaching a short review of the Seniors Advisory Meeting held in Toronto in December. The evening before, I was invited to a reception to meet our new Minister for Seniors Linda Jeffrey. What a very gracious and open individual, she certainly seems to have our interests at heart. She approached me and asked for a short explanation about the U.S.C.O. and mentioned that she would be speaking to us in the near future.

As I am writing this, final plans for a location of our 2012 Convention are being made. I am sure you all realize that with the festive season in December that a lot of offices are closed or manned with a minimum of staff, but hopefully all will be finalized by the time you are reading this. Our Convention Chair Sylvia Gagnon and her committee are striving for a February announcement.

To all Club and Zone Presidents, please encourage your clubs and members to submit resolutions on any topic they have concerns about, especially changes that can be made for the betterment of seniors. We all know that when we band together we do get better action from the Government. We still have not received the report from the Ontario Government regarding our Brief and the resolutions that were passed at our convention for consideration. Again, as soon as we do get this report, we will endeavour to publish it in our Voice. One thing to remember that the 9th of the month is the deadline for the next month. For example January 9th is the deadline for February, so time is short.

Again, have a Happy Valentine's Day and remember, we are half way through our Winter's Blues.

YOURS FOR THE BETTERMENT OF SENIORS

Joyce Mitchell

U.S.C.O. President