

Senior Discounts¹

My, my, my! Where has the spirit of Canada's parents and grandparents gone? Are we no longer (grand) parents and have instead turned into an egoistic lobby group to squeeze the most out of our system for ourselves? Amazing! Shameful!

At a time:

- when wages are on a downward spiral and workers supporting families—our children —are having a tough time of it;
- when young secondary and tertiary graduates—our grand-children—cannot find jobs suitable for their skills;
- when single mothers—our granddaughters-- are squeezed to death;
- when school children—our grand- and great grandchildren-- come to school hungry;
- when the pool of wage earners supporting seniors is dwindling due to seniors refusing the responsibility of raising families,

we seniors are demanding continued privileges for ourselves instead of our needy families! And that not because we are necessarily poor—many of us are not—, but because we are seniors.

If there were any love and charity in our hearts, we seniors would lobby for our children and grandchildren as well as for the poor among us. CARP ought to be ashamed of itself. A bunch of well heeled and well organized egoists! This is the reason I have never joined them.

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