

# ST. JAMES LEGION #4 NEWSLETTER



## September & October 2014



LEST WE FORGET

1755 PORTAGE AVE, WINNIPEG MB. 888-2860

#### Branch Officers, Executive & Appointments

#### Officers

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Ladies Auxiliary Over 55 Club

President Corinne Van Meer Chairman Mary Anne McGibney

Office Staff (888-2860)

Secretary Treasurer Leif Johnson Bar Manager Roxanne Mills

Office Administrator Debi Pointkoski

**Branch Hours 2014** Mon 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Tues 9 a.m. to 12 a.m. Wed 9 a.m. to 10 p.m.

Thurs 9 a.m. to 10 p.m. Fri 9 a.m. to 1 a.m. Sat 9 a.m. to 12 a.m.



#### PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

I hate to say this, but, summer is almost over. It's now time to commit yourself to supporting your Branch and its activities. Whatever your preference, come to the Branch to enjoy it. Darts, Pool, Snooker, Billiards, Cribbage, Whist, Poker (Texas Hold-em), Chase the Ace, Dancing, (and Line dancing), Meat Draws and probably some other activity that I've missed. If you're interested in an activity not listed and would like to organize it, please speak to a member of the executive and we'll see if the branch can accommodate it.

This is YOUR Branch, use it and support it or it may not be here in the future.

It will soon be time to remember our Veterans and those who have passed during the many wars Canada has taken part in. The Annual Poppy Campaign commences on the 31st of October and will run until the 10th of November. Signup sheets will be posted early October and there is a requirement for lots of help so please be generous with your time.

This year the Branch will be electing a President, 2nd Vice-President and at least 4 executive members to run the Branch with the assistance of those executive and officers who still have one year to serve on their term of office. Nominations will be held on October 16th at the General meeting with elections to follow in December. Please, if you are interested in the future of your Branch, come to the meeting and let your name stand for office.

Don't forget the Initiation on September 25th at 7:00 P.M. The new members will appreciate your witnessing them taking their oath as new members of the Royal Canadian Legion.

To all our shut-in members and those who are ill I wish you a speedy recovery and hope you can get back and visit with us in the Branch.



**Cde.** Ronn Anderson, President



The annual Poppy campaign commences on Friday 31 October and runs through to 10th of November. Help is required in the delivery and pick-up of Poppy supplies, Poppy Tag Days at local businesses, in addition to the many volunteers needed to tag at the Airport. Signup sheets will be posted in early October.

#### Ronn Anderson, Chairman Poppy Trust Fund



One hundred years since the origin of a childhood legend

Lt Harry Colebourn (April 12, 1887 – September 24, 1947) was a Canadian veterinarian and soldier with the Royal Canadian Army Veterinary Corps best known for donating a bear cub named "Winnie" (short for "Winnipeg") to the London Zoo. Winnie later inspired the creation of

A.A. Milne's famous children's book character Winnie-the-Pooh.

# NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING OF THE ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION

#### MANITOBA & NW ONTARIO COMMAND

The Manitoba & NW Ontario Provincial Command Executive Council of The Royal Canadian Legion hereby gives notice of an Annual General Meeting of the organization which will take place at 8:30 am. on Saturday October 18th, 2014 in the Tache Room, Norwood Hotel, 112 Marion Street, Winnipeg, Manitoba R2H 0T1.

Agenda for the Meeting:

- 1. Presentation of the audited financial statements
- 2. Approval of the auditors for 2014-2015

This meeting is being held to fulfill the requirements of the Canada Not-For-Profit Corporations Act. Members wishing to make comment or raise questions on these two items may do so by written submission to Manitoba & NW Ontario Provincial Command, 563 St. Mary's Road, Winnipeg, MB. R2M 3L6 to be received no later than September 18th, 2014.

Documentation pertaining to this annual meeting shall be made available on the Legion website at www.mbnwo.ca at least 21 days prior to the annual meeting or upon written request by a member, enclosing a self-addressed stamped envelope (9" x 12") with applicable postage received at Manitoba & NW Ontario Provincial Command at least 14 days prior to the annual meeting.



#### LAST POST

Heaven's gate swung gently open, the Master called softly "Come" and you Dear one took the Master's hand and your work on earth was done. We'll never cease to miss you and shed many silent tears because we cannot share with you Our hopes, Our joys, Our fears. But one day in God's garden when the master calls us to come, You'll be at the gates with open arms and say to us "Welcome home".

It is with deep sympathy the Branch records the passing of the following Comrades since our last review. The Officers, Executives and members extend their heartfelt condolences to the bereaved families.

Cde. D.J. Tourand

Ordinary Unit: Army

Deceased 01 July 14

Cde. James Walker

Ordinary Unit: RCAF

Deceased 03 Oct 14

**Cde. Melvel Johnston** 

Life

Unit: RCASC

Deceased 12 July 14

**Cde. Robert Nisbet** 

Ordinary
Unit: PPCLI

Deceased 11 Aug 14

Cde. ED Belhumeur

Associate

Deceased 02 Aug 14

They s shall grow not old As we are left grow old; age shall not weary them, Nor do the years condemn. At the going down of the sun and in the morning, We will remember them.

WE WILL REMEMBER THEM.



#### **Newsletter Submissions**

Please note: all submissions for the Newsletter must be typed or hand printed. Thank you

Cde. Mike Thayer, Publicity

#### **Mobility Aids**

The Branch has a limited number of mobility aids such as wheelchairs, and canes that are available on loan to our members. If you are in need of a mobility aid on a temporary basis, stop by the Branch to view the items available and determine if one might meet your short term needs.

#### **Attention Members with Hearing Aids**

We recently received a whole pile of hearing aid batteries, all new and free. Sizes are, #13, #312 and #360. Anyone who wished to obtain some of these batteries please contact Eric Murphy either at the Club or phone # 204-889-8225.

#### SICK VISITING REPORT



July & August 2014

Oakview Place Jim Ward

James Mowatt

Lil Suche

Good visit & chat

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Marge Hewitt Sleeping left goodie bag
Wes Wowchuck Short visit, ate a treat
Olive Horton Enjoys her treats

#### Deer Lodge Centre Chris Aldridge

Doug Brown Good visit, enjoys the chocolate bars
Bert Hilton Good visit, also enjoys the chocolate bar

Hugh Buskell Short visit, left goodie bag

John Windsor Good visit with John & wife Elaine

#### Golden West Lodge Chris Aldridge

Elliot Armstrong Glad to be back at Golden West, attended two Sat. meat draws lately

**Lions Manor Ken Morley** 

Winifred Clouston Enjoys the visits, thanks the Branch

#### Misericordia Health Centre Al Coote

Hank Bjork Nice visit with Hank, He would like more visitors, so if you can go & visit Him

#### Tuxedo Villa Al Coote

Eva Mackay Had a nice visit with Eva, She says Hi to all at the Branch.

At Home Al Coote

Peter Sawatzky As usual had a good visit with Peter & Marie

Remember to visit our sick & shut ins if you can, if you know anyone who is in need

#### **Cde Al Coote Sick Visiting Chairman**

#### Deer Lodge Veteran's

Please take note. Any checks or donations made to Deer Lodge Veterans must be made out to the **Veterans Memorial Endowment Fund at Deer Lodge.** This is to ensure the money or donations go directly to the Veterans and no other organizations. Thank you.



#### **Ladies Auxiliary Report**

On Wed, June 25/14 Phyllis Psooy and Mary Gross went to St. Paul Apostle Church to present a Bursary to Scott Templeton, this was done at 11:00 AM.

Don't Forget the Auxiliary does Funeral Lunches. Please contact Marjorie Suddick at 837-8416. There is always plenty of food.

On Thurs, June 26/14 at the Convention Centre, Corinne Van Meer presented a Bursary to Madelaine La Point. She is from Sturgeon Creek Collegiate. This is the Besse Johnston Memorial Award.

The date for the Bake Table is Sept 13/14. Thank you to everyone for your support. Also for the extra baking, very much appreciated.

On August 1/14 Marjorie Suddick celebrated her Birthday, wish you a good year.

Just heard that Angie Ritchot had a bad fall at home, she had a few bruises. A card was sent.

June Clarke, Ladies Auxiliary Publicity Chair

Daily Draw Winners July/August T.J. Hollie



#### Advertising

Just started a Business or need a little boost in you sales or services to get things going? Then why not advertise in the Legion Newsletter an inexpensive way to advertise your product. The Newsletter is read by 1500 plus members and their families that may need your services or product you're offering. Call the Branch Office at 888-2860.

Full page \$136.00 Half Page \$68.00 Quarter Page \$36.00

#### **Marriage Commissioner**

Our Office Administrator, Debi Pointkoski, is also a Certified Marriage Commissioner. Please contact Debi if you want more information regarding this service.

#### **SPORTS REPORT**

Summer will soon come to an end and our branch sports activities will soon be starting for the fall and winter.



Cribbage

The cribbage league will be starting in September so come out and join us for an afternoon of friendly cards & socializing. Registration starts at 11:30 am. Cards at 12:30.

We play every second Saturday.

We hope to see you there.

Contact Gert 837 1955 or Bea 888 4661 if you have any questions.



A meeting will be held on September 08/13 at 7:00 p.m. for all those interested in curling this year. The drawing of the teams will be done at this meeting.



The Wednesday Night Dart league will be starting September 10th and a notice has been posted on the bulletin board.

If you are interested in playing in this fun league and require more information please leave a message at the branch.



International Veterans Billiard League

The 2014 -15 season will start again in the early Fall. Watch the bulletin boards for further information.



Senior Snooker League

The Senior Snooker league will commence again in October 2014.

A sign-up sheet will be posted on the Pool Room Bulletin Board for those interested in playing this season. All players will be contacted prior to play.

A nominal fee will be charged to cover expenses and the Wind up Banquet to be held in April 2015,

Thanks to all for your help and co-operation in making this year a success.



Golf

The 2014 Provincial Command Regular and Senior golf tournaments was held in Carman MB from August 16th and 17th.

The Regular team consisted of Rick McDonald, Mike Armstrong, Mike Thayer and Doug Penner. The Seniors team consisted of Darcy Halladay, Doug Gallagher, Gary Lacey and Bernie Roy. The turnout was small but all those who played enjoyed themselves

#### **Upcoming Events**

Watch the bulletin Board for the Mary Oliver Doubles Dart Tournament to be held in September 27,2014.

Please watch the bulletin boards for upcoming sporting events to take place at our branch.

Yours Fraternally

Cde. Mary Anne McGibney, Sports Chairperson



#### St James Legion Senior Golf League

There will be no golf on the 3 September.

The Ed Neumann Memorial Tournament will be held on Wed 10 Sep at The Players Golf Course, please be there for 0930 hrs.

#### **Cde Bernie Roy**



05-06 Sept Marvels 12-13 Sept Crosstown 19-20 Sept Any Thing You Want 26-27 Sept Dynamics

03-04 Oct Whiskey Bent 10-11 Oct Marvels 17-18 Oct Contra Band 24-25 Oct Sky Drive 31 Oct-01 Nov Almost Angels

#### Cde. Darcy Halladay, Entertainment Chairperson



#### **Special Events**

July 1st Canada Day was a huge success. I hope everyone had fun. I have to thank Roland for braving the cold and doing all the cooking for that day. I want to thank all the other volunteers to for making the day fun and eventful. Al & Gisele Coote, Doc & Liz Halladay, Mike Thayer, Maryanne McGibney, Marge Suddick, Ken Arsenault, Charles & Judy Appelt. If I have forgotten someone I apologize. Thank you to Brenda for taking care of the bar. Good job. Upcoming events:

OUR EVERYDAY HEROES FIREFIGHTERS/ PARAMEDICS CHILI

**COOKOFF REMATCH** 

SEPTEMBER 20TH, SATURDAY

SILENT AUCTION- PROCEEDS TO GO TO THE BURN FUND

ANYONE ONE WISHING TO ENTER THE COOKOFF PLEASE SIGN UP ON THE SHEET ON THE BULLETIN BOARD

ALSO ANYONE WHO WISHES TO DONATE TO THE SILENT AUCTION PLEASE SEE BETTY ZARNEY.

CHILI & A BEER \$5.00.

COME OUT AND HAVE FUN.

VETERAN'S DAY LUNCHEON OCTOBER 2, THURSDAY

12:00 NOON

ANY VETERAN WHO WOULD LIKE TO COME AND HAVE LUNCH WITH OUR SHUT-IN VETERANS PLEASE SIGN UP ON THE SHEET ON THE BULLETIN BOARD.

HALLOWEEN DANCE
OCTOBER 31ST. FRIDAY
PRIZES FOR BEST COSTUMES
BAND ALMOST ANGELS.
COME DOWN AND HAVE SOME FUN.

ALSO IN THIS BULLETIN AND THE NEXT I AM PUTTING THE PRICE AND DATES THE NEW YEAR'S TICKETS WILL GO ON SALE. HARD TO BELIEVE WE ARE ALREADY PLANNING THESE EVENTS.

TICKETS TO GO ON SALE NOVEMBER 12, 2014.
BUY FROM ROXANNE 9:00AM- TO 3:00 PM.- TUESDAY TO FRIDAY SATURDAY- NOVEMBER 22- 1:00 PM- 4:00 PM.
CUT OFF WILL BE DECEMBER 20TH.
MEMBERS- \$45.00
NON-MEMBERS- \$50.00.
BAND- MARVELLS

Cde. Betty Zarney, Special Events Chair



Our Second Annual Children's Costume Halloween Party will be held at the Branch on **SUNDAY OCTOBER 26th** 

This Year's Children's Christmas event will be a "Breakfast with Santa Clause" and will be held on **SUNDAY DECEMBER 7th** 

Branch Members who wish to bring their children and grandchildren, or just want to come and enjoy these fun and colourful events are advised to again watch for the posters that will be posted in the branch so that they may sign up on the provided forms. These forms will be available at the branch office (during branch office hours) or from staff at the bar.

Cde. Chris Lundgren, Children's Committee Chair



By the time you receive this Bulletin we will probably have some summer and enjoying it.

MaryAnne McGibney has had surgery again and again she is doing well.

Tickets are out now for the Corn Roast and the Executive have them. The date is Sept 14/14. The doors open at 12 Noon till 6PM. There will be Games, Corn, Hotdogs and Hamburgers. Tickets are \$10.00, why not come out and have a good time.

Also, a reminder, Thurs Sept 11/14 is our meeting for the fall. You will be getting a call.

Peter and Ruth Henry have just celebrated their 53<sup>rd</sup> Wed Anniversary as well as Ruth's Birthday. All the best to you both.

Also a reminder Sept 20<sup>th</sup> Saturday there will be the Chili Cook Off. Come out and have a good time.

Will see you in September, mark your calendars.

#### **June Clarke, Publicity Over 55**

#### **Letter of Thanks**

On behalf of the Officers and Directors and Members of St James Legion Over 55 Seniors Club I wish to take this opportunity to thank all those who have donated goods for the Bake Table over the summer.

Without the contributions of these dedicated volunteers we would not achieve the success we do.

We sometimes forget to acknowledge these contributions in our zealousness to achieve. So once again to all volunteers a Big Thank You.

Sincerely Yours MaryAnne McGibney Chairman St James Legion Over 55 Seniors Club.

#### **PPCLI Cadets**

#### Training Begins September 16, 2014

The summer is the time that many cadets attend training at one of the several camps across the country.

The skills they learn at the camps will assist them to become our future leaders. The courses they attended this year included: basic parachutist; basic expedition, general training, marksmanship, military band, expedition instructor, leadership and challenge training and the Rocky Mountain National Army Cadet Training. One cadet was employed on the staff at Vernon Cadet Camp.

Now that the summer is coming to a close, they have all returned home and will continue their academic and cadet training in September.

#### **Cadet Recruiting**

2701 PPCLI Cadets are always searching for youth who would like to participate in adventure training and meet others with similar interests. You can help with the recruiting process by encouraging youth to consider the program.

The first parade for the PPCLI cadets is on September 16, 2014. They meet at École Romeo Dallaire, 81 Quail Ridge Road on Tuesday evenings from 18:30 to 21:30. The Drumline also meets on Thursday evenings from 18:30 to 20:30.

Youth from 12 to 18 may join the program free of charge. Uniforms, training manuals, and instruction are provided.

In addition to local and summer camp training, some may travel abroad. We are planning to have one cadet travel to Europe in 2015 to participate in the Regiment's centennial celebrations.

Ivan Poitras Sponsor's Representative



### **Ways and Means Report:**

We now have Grey Cup tickets for sale. If you are able to sell tickets, please contact myself or leave a message at the branch for me and I will contact you. Our next upcoming basket draw is on October 11, 2014 for Thanksgiving. Look for posters in the branch. If you would like to donate or know of a company that could donate, please leave the information at the branch and I will contact you.

We also have a Chase The Ace Draw every Monday Evening. The sales are between 6 P.M. and 8 P.M., with the draw being held at 8:15 P.M. Currently the Jackpot is over \$3,600.00, plus half the sales for the evening. If the Jackpot is not one there is one less card to choose from the following week. At the moment we have 24 cards left in the deck, which increases the chance each week. There is also a 50/50 draw. Why not come out in Monday and see what it is all about!

Yours in comradeship

**Cde. Ken Morley Ways Means** 



#### IN HOUSE DRAWS

#### **Meat Draw**

The Friday night Meat Draw is in desperate need of two people to sell tickets. This would only involve one night every four or five weeks and takes about 1 1/2 hours. Anyone who can spare a little time to help please let me know. At 837-8416

We are always looking for volunteers to help out with our Saturday Meat Draw. If you or your Group are interested please leave your name at the Bar or call the branch at (204) 888-2767.

Cde. Marge Suddick, In House Draws Chair



## New Members for the General Meeting As of August 21<sup>st</sup> 2014

**Ordinary New** 

**Associate New** 

**Affiliate New** 

Reinstated

**Transferred** 

Number of Dues paid for 2014 1313 New Members

Cde. Gordie Laing, Membership Chair

BRANCH #4 LEGION WEBSITE http://www.rclstjames04.mb.ca/



To renew your Membership for 2014 the dues are \$46.00. Cannot make it down to the Legion? Mail in your dues with a self-addressed stamped envelope, and we will be pleased to mail your Membership card to you.

Keep up with the happenings at our Legion. If you want the bulletin mailed to you, the cost is \$10.00 per year and you will be one of the first to receive the bulletin delivered right to your Mailbox six times a year.



Free Ballroom Dancing Lessons Thursday Night
With Eric
Beginners 6:45 to 7:45
Advance 8:00 to 9:00
For info please call 339 – 8890



#### LEARN TO LINE DANCE

Monday, 1:30-3:00, Line Dancing, Beginner, Sheryl Fowler, Oct thru May Monday, 6:30-7:00, Line Dancing, High Intermediate, Kathy Arnold, All Year Monday, 7:00-9:00, Line Dancing, Intermediate, Kathy Arnold, All Year Tuesday, 7:00-9:00, Line Dancing, High Beginner, Kathy Arnold, All Year Wednesday, 7:00-7:30, Line Dancing, Intermediate, Karen Hodgins, Sept thru June Wednesday, 7:30-9:00, Line Dancing, Low Intermediate, Karen Hodgins, All Year Thursday, 10:00-11:00, Zumba Gold, Beginner, Karen Hodgins, Sept thru June Friday, 10:00- Noon, Line Dancing, All Levels Review, Kathy Arnold, Sept thru June

Please note that all Kathy's classes are now suspended due to health issues. Also, my line dance classes are now \$4 per class, Zumba is \$5.



#### SUPPORT OUR TROOPS

On your way downstairs to the main lounge, there is a wooden box marked "St James Legion Supports the Troop's Family" if you have any spare change please throw it in to support our Troop's family.

Also have a look at the wall behind the bar; we are selling items for the MFRC (Military Family Resource Centre" to help the Troops and their families.

Support your troops on Friday by wearing RED.



#### Volunteers Needed

In recent years we have lost many Comrades available for the important duty of Honorary Pallbearers who are needed to honor our fallen Veterans. I would like to request volunteers for this duty, if you can spare sometime in the AM or PM to attend various funerals and have a Legion uniform. I would appreciate you getting in touch with me at 889-8225 or leave your name and phone number at the Branch office. Thank you in advance for your co-operation

#### **Cde. Eric Murphy, Service Officer & Pensions**



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