



ST. JAMES LEGION #4
NEWSLETTER



March & April 2018



LEST WE FORGET

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Ladies Auxiliary

President Corinne Van Meer

Over 55 Club

Chairman Peter Henry

Office Staff (888-2860)

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Branch Hours Sept 2017 to May 2018 Mon 9 a.m. to 10 p.m. Tues 9 a.m. to 12 a.m.
Wed 9 a.m. to 11 p.m. Thurs 9 a.m. to 12 a.m. Fri 9 a.m. to 1 a.m. Sat 9 a.m. to 12 a.m.
Sunday Closed

PRESIDENTS MESSAGE February 2018



Greetings to all Comrades and Friends of the Legion.

I hope that with the warmer weather coming that we will get more of you folks out to the Branch to take part in some of our activities and meetings. Our meetings only occur every other month and the meeting only lasts for an hour or so. This is not much time to dedicate to your branch. General meetings are held the 3rd Thursday in February, April, June, August, October and the 2nd Thursday in December. Meetings commence at 7:00 P.M.

At the April meeting we will be deciding on the number of delegates and electing members to be delegates to the 2018 Dominion Convention. If you are interested in representing your branch at this convention please attend the meeting in order to be elected as a delegate. The convention will be held here in Winnipeg at the RBC Convention Centre, 25 - 28 August, 2018.

The Sports Foundation of Manitoba & Northwest Ontario Command operates the Best Sports Camp in Canada for Children. In order to do this they need help. If you are able to give some time to the welfare of our youth, and then maybe you could volunteer as a Dorm Dean (Chaperone) at the Athletic Camp for a week this summer. The camp operates in one week blocks from 15 July 2018 until 11 August 2018 at The International Peace Garden. Your help would be greatly appreciated.

On the 24th of May at 7 P.M. The Branch will be holding an Honours and Awards evening. As part of this meeting Special Awards and Long service pins are presented to deserving members. We will also be presenting donations from the Poppy Fund, as approved by the general body. This Special evening normally takes less than an hour and is a good way for the membership to welcome our new members, and Honour our long serving ones.

Again, I would like to thank all the volunteers for coming out and making our branch an enjoyable place to spend time in and to the members who come out and support our activities.

Thanks again to St James Burger and Chips for their donation of \$600.00 plus to the Poppy Fund.

All the very best to the shut-in members and a get well quick to those who are ill.

Cde. Mike Thayer, President



POPPY REPORT

The following donations from the Poppy Trust fund were approved at the February 15 General meeting and will be presented at the May 24,2018 Honours and Awards meeting.

1. Motion that a sum not to exceed \$5,000 be donated to the Grace hospital for the purchase of medical equipment.
2. Motion that a sum not to exceed \$5,000 be donated to the Deer Lodge hospital towards the purchase of medical equipment.
3. Motion that a sum not to exceed \$5,000 be donated to the Legion Memorial Housing for their use in providing adequate housing to veterans.
4. Motion that a sum not to exceed \$3,000 be donated to Meals on Wheels for their use in providing meals to veterans/ and their dependants.
5. Motion that a sum not to exceed \$1,400 be donated to be used as Bursaries for properly qualified students in the St. James School District as determined by the Scholarship Chairman.
6. Motion that a sum not to exceed \$2,000 be donated to Joint Hospital Visiting Committee for their use in providing hospital comforts to veterans/ and their dependants.
7. Motion that a sum not to exceed \$1,000 be donated to St James Legion Sick Visiting Committee for their use in providing hospital comforts to veterans/ and their dependants.
8. Motion that a sum not to exceed \$3,000 be donated to 2701 PPCLI Cadet Corps.
9. Motion that a sum not to exceed \$1,000 be donated to 220 Air Cadet SQN.
10. Motion that a sum not to exceed \$1,000 be donated to RCEL

Cde. Ronn Anderson, Chairman, Poppy Fund Chair

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 condolences to the bereaved families.

Cde. Gerald (Jerry) Joss
Ordinary
Unit: RCN/RCAF
Deceased 1 Jan 18

Cde. Edward Reeve
Ordinary
Unit: WWII
Deceased 14 Jan 18

Cde. Robert Parry
Ordinary
Unit: WWII/RCAF
Deceased 28 Jan 18

Cde. Joseph Remillard
Ordinary
Unit: CAF
Deceased 10 Feb 18

Cde. Ronald Brothers
Ordinary
Unit: RCAF
Deceased 03 Feb 18

Cde. Margaret Richards
Associate
Deceased 31 Dec 17

Cde. John Thorarinson
Associate
Deceased 17 Feb 18

**They 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 Submission

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 need 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.

SICK VISITING REPORT



For January/February 2018

Deer Lodge Centre Chris Aldridge

Charles Yule	Good visit as always. Charles doing well and says 'HI' to legion members
Maria Sawatsky	Good visit with Maria and daughter Yvonne
Sonja Anderson	Short visit with Sonja
Angie Richot	Super visit with Angie - she is doing well and anxious for Christmas

Golden West Lodge Chris Aldridge

Elliot Armstrong	As usual an interesting visit and discussion with Elliot
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Oakview Place Jim Ward

Marge Hewitt	Sleeping, left goodie bag.
Lawrence Skelly	Short visit, left goodie bag

**Heritage Lodge
Jim Ward**

Bill Appleton Good visit and talk, says hi to all.

**Thorvaldson Care Centre
Keith Muffty**

Al Matthews Al is in good spirits, having some medical problems but seeing a Doctor.

Visited Bob Sypulski at home, seems to be doing fine and appreciates the visit.

This is my report for the sick and visiting. Thanks to the committee members Chris, Jim and Al for filling in while Chris is away.

Cde. Keith Muffty, Sick visiting Chair

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

It has been quiet since the Holiday break. Our big event for February was our Sports Foundation Tea. I hope we saw you there. We lost another member in January, Little Mary Martinuk. March event is the District Meeting in Lundar, March 11/18. I hope we have a good turn out. See you at our meeting, March 1/18.

Corinne Van Meer, President Ladies Auxiliary

Daily Draw Winners January/February M. Barton, A. King

Advertising



Just started a Business or need a little boost in your 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 as well as a Commissioner of Oaths. Please contact Debi if you want more information regarding this service.

SPORTS REPORT

Winter is definitely here and some of our branch sports activities will be taking a break for the holiday season.

Cribbage



The cribbage league started 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 Bea 888 4661 if you have any questions.

The 2 doubles teams entered from St. James will be going forward to represent the branch at the 2018 Provincial Command Cribbage championships to be held in Morden MB from March 9-11.

The players are Jim Simm, Ken and Linda Morley and Barry O'Donnell.

Curling



The curling has started on Sundays at the Assiniboine Curling Club for this year.

Here are the final standings as of Feb.11.

Playoff round has begun. Top 4 play against each other and same for bottom 4.

W. Neumann won both games against R. Fisette to be awarded top 4 finish.

The schedule for the remainder of the season is...

Feb. 25, Mar. 4, 11, 18, 25.

<u>Skip</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>T</u>	<u>L</u>	<u>PTS</u>	<u>Play Off PTS</u>
W. Wizbicki	9	0	4	18	2
B. McGowan	7	1	5	15	0
J, Nichols	7	1	5	15	2
W. Neumann	6	1	6	13	0
R. Fisette	6	1	5	13	0
N. Bell	4	2	7	10	2
K. Gray	5	1	7	11	2
D. Karpenic	4	1	8	9	0

Darts



The Wednesday Night Dart league is in full swing and has taken a well-deserved Christmas break and a detailed listing of the teams and standings will be in the next bulletin. If you are interested in playing in this fun league and require more information, please leave a message at the branch.

The 2018 Provincial Command District level Dart playoffs were held on February 18th, 2018 at West Kildonan Legion. St. James was represented by 2 four man Teams, 3 doubles teams and 3 singles teams. Cliff Apps was the first runner up in the singles event and the team of Chris Parei and Rick McDonald were runners up in the Doubles event and the team of Cliff Apps, Chris Parei, Loretta Cournoyer and Donnavon Cournoyer were the first runners up in the 4 man team event. Should any of the first place teams be unable to attend any of the events, .St. James will go forward.

Congratulations to all our dart players for the outstanding sportsmanship they displayed in representing St. James # 004.

International Veterans Billiard League



The 2017-18 season is going strong. Watch the bulletin boards for the standings. We will have a detailed report for the next bulletin. St. James has 2 teams competing so come out and support them on Thursday nights.

Senior Snooker League



The Senior Snooker league will be starting their final round and the competition is something to see. The playoffs will start April 5th with an awards luncheon to be held later in April. A big thank you to Bernie Roy and Jim Ward for all their work in ensuring the league runs like a smooth oiled machine

Upcoming Events



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

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the volunteers who help make our sporting events the success they are.

Yours Fraternally, MaryAnne McGibney
Sports Chairman





Entertainment

Band Schedule, Bands for March and April 2018

The holidays have come and gone and spring is on its way. The bands for the following months are as follows:

Mar 2 & 3, Marvells

Mar 9 & 10, Ricki Redbone

Mar 16 & 17, Vintage Groove

Mar 23 & 24, Halo Jump

Mar 29 & 31 Marvells

Apr 6 & 7, Dynamics

Apr 13 & 14, Vintage Groove

Apr 20 & 21, 4 On The Floor

Apr 27 & 28, Marvells

There will be changes to our summer lineup so watch for the next bulletin. Come out and enjoy the music and dancing.

Fraternally yours

Cde. Maryanne McGibney, Entertainment Chair



Special Events

Our Valentine's Day Dance was poorly attended. It is too bad because the band was good and the canteen prepared a big meal. A few came out and enjoyed themselves.

I hope we will get more at our upcoming events. Without the support of our members it is hard to plan a good event.

Upcoming Events



St. Patrick's Day

March 17th, Saturday

Entertainment starting at approx. 6:00 pm.

Stew- \$6.00 a bowl.

Purchase tickets for the stew at the canteen.

Come out and enjoy the days festivities.



Mother's Day Brunch

May 13th. Sunday

10:00 am- 1:00 pm

\$8.00 for adults

\$5.00 for children , Under 5 free

Brunch includes; Hash browns, scrambled eggs, pancakes, bacon, sausages, fruit cup, coffee/ tea, juice. Every one is welcome. Bring Mom down or even come down yourself. The men do a great job cooking the food. Tickets will be on sale at the bar at the beginning of April.



Ways & Means

The Easter Baskets are set up. There are three draws to be made. It only costs \$1.00 a tickets to enter so please fill one out. They are on the tables in the little plastic bags. Fill out the ticket, add a loonie and put it into the blue box at the bar. Please remember to keep the other half of the ticket as we have to give it to lotteries.

Cde. Betty Zarney, Special Events, Ways & Mean

Canadian Tire Money

As all members Know by now, our Club sponsors the PPCLI Cadets. There is a small box located by the phone down stairs near the Canteen. If you have any spare CDN Tire Money, it would be greatly appreciated if you could drop it in the box. Once filled we will deliver it to the PPCLI Cadets.



Over 55+ Club

Ev Hunter has not been feeling good. She has been going to see a Doctor, will keep in touch with her.

Lawrence Skelly is in Oakview room 311.

Darlyn McDonald is doing fine. She is using a walker when she goes outside.

For our meeting in Feb, we had a cake for lunch. It was Peter Henry's Birthday, we all sang happy to him. It was a nice day. There will be no meeting March as the Henry's will be away on holidays. For April we should all wear a hat for Easter. As the Henry's say wear a hat or you don't play Bingo. Should be fun.

Our Baking table is always on the 3rd Saturday of the month. If you can bake anything, please contact Maria.

See you in April, you will be getting a call.

June Clarke Over 55+ Publicity



In House Draws, Meat Draw

March 10th Turkeys and Hams

March 17th Turkeys and Hams

March 24th Turkeys and Hams

Note: do to the Legion being closed on Good Friday the meat draw will be held Thursday the 29th in lieu of March 30th.

Just a reminder to all Club Sports Leagues, all participants must hold a current Membership of #4 Legion. When a League plans on requesting support funds from the Legion, that specific League must participate in at least two Saturday Meat draws prior to the event in any Command playoffs.

Cde. Doc Halladay, In House Draws Chair

Chase The Ace



Our Chase the Ace pot is close to \$1,700.00 Ticket sales start at 6 PM and close at 8 PM. We have the draw at 8:15PM and we also have a 50-50 draw.

Cde. Ken Morley, Chase The Ace



New Members for the General Meeting

As of February 15, 2018

Ordinary New

Associate New

Merilyn McClelland

Clare McClelland

Jim Sytnick

Affiliate New

George Choquette

Joseph Everton

Richard Farmer

Delvin Jacobson

Reinstated

Alberto Ciancaglini

Transferred

Jeffery Marshall

Maxwell Masales

Number of Dues paid 2018

961

New Members

13

Cde. Don Cozine, Membership Chair

Key Card

As at September 1st, 2016, if your key card/key fob is lost, there will be a charge of \$5.00 to replace it. If your key card/key fob is broken, please bring it into the office for replacement.

BRANCH #4 LEGION WEBSITE

<http://www.rclstjames04.mb.ca/>



LEARN TO LINE DANCE

Monday, 10:00-11:00, Zumba Gold, Beginner, Karen Hodgins, Sept - June
Wednesday, 1:00-2:00, Line Dancing, Intermediate, Karen Hodgins, Sept-June
Wednesday, 7:00-8:00, Line Dancing Low Intermediate, Karen Hodgins, all year
Thursday, 10:00-11:00, Zumba Gold, Beginner, Karen Hodgins, Sept – June



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

I would like to thank all the Members that have come out time & time again as Honorary Pallbearers honouring our Veterans that have passed on. I know it’s a thankless job, but it is a real necessity. If any Member with a Legion Uniform would like to join this Elite Group, please call the Branch Office and leave your name. We need some more Pallbearers who are available in the AM and or PM.

Cde. Chris Lundgren, Service Officer

Membership Renewal



To renew your 2018 membership or become a new member of St. James Legion #4 the dues are \$53.00. Cannot make it down to the Legion? Mail in your dues with a self addressed stamped envelope, or add an additional \$1.00 to your cheque for postage 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.

Due to the high cost of postage, if you pay your dues in person and would like the Membership card mailed to you, please pay an additional \$1.00 over and above the dues.



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New Years Eve & Levee







Valentines Day Dance 10 Feb 18



Welcoming Ceremony 15 Feb 18





Saturday 17 March 2018

**Come out and celebrate with your friends and Comrades at # 4 Legion
starting after the Meat draw 6pm
Entertainment**

**Stew- \$6.00 purchase tickets from Rick
Green Beer
Come out and enjoy**





MOTHER'S DAY BRUNCH

Sunday, May 13, 2018

Catered by Branch Volunteers

Serving from 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM

MENU:

Scrambled eggs

Bacon and Sausage

Hash Browns

Assorted Juices

Pancakes

Coffee/Tea included

Pre-purchase Tickets at the bar beginning of April, cut-off date 08 May. Price

Adults \$8.00/ Children \$5.00 per serving

Children 5 yrs and under free

