



# ST. JAMES LEGION #4 NEWSLETTER



September & October 2020



LEST WE FORGET

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## Branch Officers, Executive & Appointments

### Officers

President	Mike Thayer	Publicity/Sick Visiting
1 <sup>st</sup> Vice President	Betty Zarney	Special Events/Ways & Means/Meat Draws
2 <sup>nd</sup> Vice President		
3 <sup>rd</sup> Vice President	Mary Anne McGibney	Entertainment/Sports
Past President	Ronn Anderson	Finance/ Poppy/ Honours & Awards

### Executives

Membership	Don Cozine
House	Roland Fisette
Sick Visiting	
Resolutions/By-Laws	Dusty Miller
Children's Programs	
Scholarships	Jane Deller
Meat Draws	

### Appointments

Honorary President	Bert Jolly
Padre	
Legion Lodge	Gary Pruden
Branch Pianist	
Branch Piper	
Service Officer	Ken Morley
Recording Secretary	Don Cozine
Sgt-at-Arms	Rose Marie Cozine
Chase the Ace	Ken Morley
Cadets	Doc Jardine
Website	George Morrison

### Ladies Auxiliary

President	Corinne Van Meer
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### Over 55 Club

Chairman	Peter Henry
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### Office Staff (888-2860)

Secretary Treasurer	Leif Johnson
Office Administrator	Bev Ptosnick

Bar Manager	Roxanne Mills
Assistant Bar Manager	Jessie Frankfurt



**Branch Hours, Legion hours have been extended from 9:00 am to 9:00 pm. Hours may be extended for Group meetings or Sport activities. The Legion could also close earlier without notice due to the lack of members and guests in the building.**



### **Presidents Message September 2020**

**Greetings to all Comrades and Friends of the Legion.**

I hope you all have enjoyed the summer as much as you could. Fall is now upon us and the children will soon be back in school some way or another. As you know a lot of fall and winter activities have been canceled due Covid 19. Wednesday night Darts will be going on, Senior Snooker will be starting in October, signup sheets are up by the snooker tables. Whist, Chase The Ace (starting on 14<sup>th</sup> of September), Meat and The 50/50 Draws are back to regular times but are being done differently with social distancing in effect. Betty Zarney is now looking after the Meat Draws and needs volunteers to help out. For you dancers, sorry but there will be no fall bands, maybe in the New Year and possibly only on Friday nights. The Legion needs to make revenue from bar sales to pay for the bands and this has not been happening in the past for a while.

This year the Branch will be electing a President, 2nd Vice-President and 6 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. We are short on Executive Members. No Executive no Legion. Nominations will be held on October 15th 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 stand for office. 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 this time we are still unsure what will be happening for our Poppy Campaign or Remembrance Day activities. Hopefully we will have a better idea come our October General Meeting.

Cde. Darcy Halladay had to step down as 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President and Meat Draw Chair due to personal reasons. Thank you Doc for serving as 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice president and on the Executive for the past few years.

Thank you to the Executive, Staff, Volunteers and Members who has helped to keep us going through these times. Thank you for the donations to the Legion. Special Thanks to the Ladies Auxiliary for there generous donation to help pay our bills while we were closed.

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

**Cde. Mike Thayer, President**



### **Canadian Tire Money**

As all members Know by now, our Club sponsors the PPCLI Cadets. There is a small box located by the phone downstairs 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.

### **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 need.



## **SICK VISITING REPORT**

**For July/August 2020**

**Deer Lodge Centre  
Chris Aldridge**

Sonja Anderson      No Visits.

Angie Richot      No Visits.

Cornelius (Neil) Chuckrey      No Visits.

**Golden West Lodge  
Chris Aldridge**

Brenda Johnston      No visits.

**Oakview Place  
Jim Ward**

Marge Hewitt      No Visits.

Goodie Bags left at the Office

Jack Walton      No Visits

**Thorvaldson Care Centre  
Keith Muffty**

Al Matthews      No visits

This is the report for the Sick and Visiting. Thanks to the committee members Chris, Jim, and Keith.

**Cde. Mike Thayer A/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

Hi ladies! I hope your summer was tolerable. There has never been one like it in my lifetime. We are having a meeting on Sept 3, 2020. It will be held downstairs in the games room. We will be discussing an Awards Evening. I sure hope we can get a good turn out. The Awards Evening will not be a meeting. Please bring your husband, boyfriend or both! Bring a friend. Everyone is welcome. There will be tea, coffee and cake after the presentations. Let us make a good evening out of it. I will phone you to let you know the date.

See you on the 3<sup>rd</sup> of September.

**Corrine Van Meer, President Ladies Auxiliary**



## 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 are offering. Call the Branch Office at 888-2860.

Full page      \$136.00

Half Page      \$68.00

Quarter Page \$36.00

## **SPORTS REPORT**

Summer is coming to an end and our branch is trying to get back to normal activities with respecting the rules of Social Distancing.



### **Cribbage**

We have been advised that the Saturday afternoon cribbage league is canceled until further notice.



### **Darts**

There is a fun dart league that plays on Wednesday nights starting at 7:30 pm. This is a casual group and welcomes anyone who wants to learn how to play or just have a fun night. Come out and make new friends.



### **Senior Snooker League**

Senior Snooker will be starting up in October 2020 . The sign-up sheets are posted on the wall by the Billiard tables. A meeting will be held prior to the start of play. A nominal fee will be charged and you must be a branch member to participate.



### **Senior Golf**

The Wednesday morning golf is going well. They play every Wednesday morning and tee off at 10:00 am at Players golf course. The Championship will be played on Sept 2<sup>nd</sup>.

The Ed Neuman Memorial Golf tournament was held on August 19th with Mike Thayer as the overall winner. The results were not available at the time this report was written but will be in the next bulletin.

Whist



Maria Sheard supplied the following report:

We meet on Mondays at 1 PM.. We play in games room.

Whist is a fun game, played in groups of 4 players, 2 teams of 2.

At present time we have 12 players. If anyone is interested, we could use more people, and we will teach you how to play. It is a lot of fun.

If anyone wants more info please call Maria or Joe at 204 889 3338 .

Please note that social distancing is the number one rule for all activities within the branch

**Yours Fraternally, Cde. Mary Anne McGibney Sports Chair**

### Newsletter Submission

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

**Cde. Mike Thayer, Publicity**

### Entertainment



Fall is fast approaching and the Covid Pandemic is creating Havoc in our city.

Social Distancing is the order of the day and does not allow dancing within our Branch.

Until this order is relaxed all bands have been cancelled until January 2021 at the very earliest.

This was not a decision made lightly and as the situation changes we will keep you all informed.

**Regards, Cde. Mary Anne McGibney, Entertainment Chair**

**Special Events** *SPECIAL  
Events*

**Due to the covid 19 the special events have been put on hold. Hopefully we will be able to start planning some events soon. Be safe.**

**Cde. Betty Zarney, Special Events Chair**



**Ways & Means**



The winners of the Easter Baskets were

1. Cathie Marzoff
2. Don Smith
3. Vi Hall

Thank you to everyone who donated to the baskets and to all who bought tickets.

We have the thanksgiving day baskets out now. Draw will be October 3, Saturday. The tickets are by the baskets as we are not allowed to have the glasses on the tables due to the pandemic. The tickets are only \$1.00 each.

**The bottle draws have started on Fridays again.**

**Cde. Betty Zarney, Ways & Means Chair**



**Over 55+ Club**

**No Report**

## Chase The Ace



Our Chase the Ace is will be restarting on Sept 14<sup>th</sup> at \$1,127.50. 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**

## Meat Draws



I have taken over the meat draws until the end of the year. The Friday and Saturday draws have both started again. A few changes have been made due to the covid but we are making do. There are no sellers selling on the floor anymore. All tickets are sold at the front tables.

**Sept. 19, 26, Oct. 3 Turkeys & Hams**

**ANYONE WHO WOULD LIKE TO VOLUNTEER TO HELP WITH FRIDAY NIGHT MEAT DRAWS PLEASE SEE BETTY ZARNEY. WE ONLY HAVE 3 DRAWS AND A 50/50 DRAW. WE ARE TRYING TO KEEP THE BRANCH GOING AND IT IS HARD TO DO WITHOUT THE VOLUNTEERS.**

**Cde. Betty Zarney, A/Meat Draw Chair**



**Remember to social distance when out and about**

## **Membership**

As your membership chairman I would like to thank all the members who have renewed for this year 2020. We really need your support now and for the balance of this year. Covid 19 has been a large pill to swallow and is now more than ever we need anyone who has not renewed their membership to do so as quickly as possible.

To date our membership stands at 794 paid members. So we still need 136 members who have not renewed to drop into the branch and renew. You can renew online if that is easier.

**Number of dues paid 2020**

**794**

**Dues paid for 2019**

**930**

**136 have not renewed for 2020**

**Cde. Don Cozine, Membership Chair**

## **Key Card**

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/>**



## **Line Dancing and Zumba**

Monday, 10:00-11:00, Zumba Gold, Beginner, Karen Hodgins, Sept - June

Thursday, 10:00-11:00, Zumba Gold, Beginner, Karen Hodgins, Sept - June

Monday and Wednesday, 1:30 to 3:00, Line Dances are at beginner, high beginner level, begins Oct 15<sup>th</sup>

Drop in \$5.00. Sheryl Fowler

**Line Dancing and Zumba are on hold at this time.**



## **SUPPORT OUR TROOPS**

**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 a.m. and or p.m.

**Cde. Ken Morley, Service Office**



### **Membership Renewal**

To renew your 2021 membership or become a new member of St. James Legion #4 the dues are \$53.00. Renewal for 2019 or 2020 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.

If you have not already done so, please supply us with your e-mail address and then you will not miss out on any Membership renewal notices and updates from Dominion Command in regard to your membership.

You can renew membership and pay online at Dominion Command directly. You will see how to do it on their website. There is an option where you can set it up to automatically to renew each year. You could also renew your membership as you have done in the past by coming down to the Legion and renew in person or mail in your dues with a self-addressed stamped envelope.



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