

ST. JAMES LEGION #4 NEWSLETTER



September & October 2017



LEST WE FORGET

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Executives Appointments

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Sick Visiting Keith Muffty Legion Lodge Gary Pruden **Branch Pianist** Jan Miller Resolutions/By-Laws **Dusty Miller** Doc Jardine Service Officer Chris Lundgren Branch Piper Entertainment Mary Anne McGibney Recording Secretary Don Cozine

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Sports Vacant Website George Morrison

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Branch Hours Sept 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 Sept 2017

Greetings to all Comrades and Friends of the Legion.

Fall is now upon us and the children will soon be back in school. It is time to think about your fall and winter activities. Whatever your preference, come to the Branch to enjoy it. Darts, Pool, Snooker, Billiards, Curling, Cribbage, Whist, Poker (Texas Hold-em), Chase the Ace, Dancing, (and Line dancing), Meat Draws or just come in and enjoy your favorite beverage. 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.

We need your support so our Branch will be here in the future

The Branch has had some changes in our Executive over the summer. Cde. Ken Arsenault our Sgt At Arms was elected to Manitoba and North-West Ontario Provincial Command as the Command Sgt At Arms, congratulations Ken I could not think of a better Sgt At Arms for our Command. On behalf of the Branch I thank you for your years of service to Branch # 4. I would like to welcome Cde. Rose Marie Coszine to the appointment of Branch # 4 Sgt At Arms. Rose Marie was trained by Ken so I know she's up to the challenge and will do a great job. We also were sad to see Cde. Tom Love having to step down as our Sick Visiting Chair due to other Commitments. We thank you Tom for your service over the past few years. Cde Keith Muffy has taken over for Tom as the new Sick Visiting Chair.

I'm sorry to say but our # 1 Snooker table had to be replaced. It was no longer repairable or could it be recovered. This table has been part of the Branch from the beginning, it will be missed. Hope you enjoy the replacement table.

This year the Branch will be electing a 1st Vice-President, 3rd Vice-President and 5 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 12th 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.

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 27th of October and will run until the 10th of November. Sign-up sheets will be posted early in October and there is a requirement for lots of help so please be generous with your time.

Commencing the 1st of September, our membership committee will be in the branch accepting 2018 dues payments. Dues if paid before the end of December are \$48.00. From the 1st of January, they are \$53.00 for the year. Be an Early bird and save 5 dollars.

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



Cde. Mike Thayer, President

Bar Managers Message

The Staff of #4 is happy to welcome back members and guests from the summer fun. In the upcoming months, there are many events for all to enjoy. Hope to see you out. Thanks to Tom Dercola from CJNU Radio for Goldeye Tickets to the Turn Back Clock Night Aug24/17.

Fact: As of Sept 1^{st,} there is 115 days to Christmas.

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Members of St James Legion Branch # 4

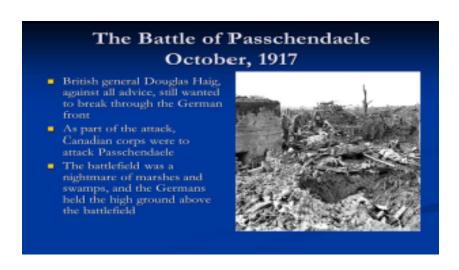
It was my honor to serve you as your Sgt At Arms for the past 13 years. It was a very rewarding experience for me. I want to thank all of you who never refused me when I came calling for help, Thank You.

I want to especially thank the following for putting up with me and my desire for perfection when carrying colours, Phil Gelinas, Peter Henry, Doug Thomas and your new Sgt At Arms Rose Marie Cozine. I also want to include Peter and Marie Sawatzky as they were part of this great team for a number of years.

I hope you all wish me good luck on my position with Command.

Than you and God Bless

Cde. Ken Arsenault, Command Sgt At Arms



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. George White Ordinary Unit: Deceased 23 Jun 17

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 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 July/August2017

Deer Lodge Centre Chris Aldridge

Charles Yule Good visit with Charles, says hello to all his legion friends

Maria Sawatsky Good visit with Maria, enjoys the pudding from the goodie bag

Alf Walters Great visit with Alf and son Don discussing the Bombers success

Sonja Anderson Interesting visit with Sonja and daughter Thora

Golden West Lodge Chris Aldridge

Elliot Armstrong Normal interesting visit with Elliot - he is doing great

Oakview Place Jim Ward

Marge Howitt Resting - left goodie bag.

Ed Wall Good visit and chat.

Heritage Lodge Jim Ward

Bill Appleton Enjoys the visit and talk.

Thorvaldson Care Centre Keith Muffty

Al Matthews Good visit, was happy to see someone from the Legion.

This is my report for the sick and visiting. Thanks to the committee members Chris and Jim.

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

Our first meeting after the Summer break is Thursday Sept 7,2017. 6:30 p.m. for the Executive and 7:30 for the General.

Corinne Van Meer, President Ladies Auxiliary

Daily Draw Winners July/August R. Filbey, S.M. Baldwin



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.

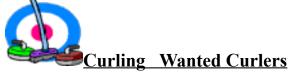
SPORTS REPORT

Senior Golf Update

In addition to the weekly golf at Player's, this year we have scheduled golf outings to courses outside Winnipeg. These golf outings are scheduled every 2 weeks. So far we have golfed at Oakwood Golf Course, Grand Pines Golf Course and regrettably due to inclement weather Teulon was cancelled. Interested golfers are to contact Cde Claude Parent at 204-488-7897.

A rare golf shot was witnessed at Grand Pines Golf Course on 27 June 2017. On hole #14, a Par 3, 137 yards, Cde Bernie Roy made a Hole-In-One. A Tee Shot requires a carry over a pond. Cde Roy used a gripped down 9 wood. His shot landed approximately 2 feet from the hole and rolled into the hole. Congratulations Cde on your Hole-In-One._

Mark Your Calendars!! <u>The Mary Oliver Memorial Dart Tournament</u> date has been set for 2017! Saturday, September 16th at 9:30 AM. \$20,00 per team, Mixed Doubles. We look forward to seeing everyone!



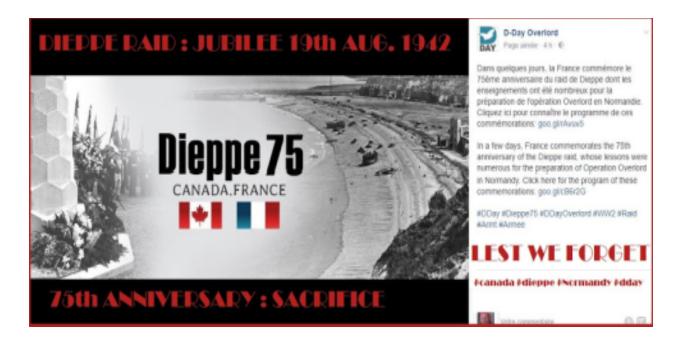
Come out on Sundays 12:00 Noon to the Deer Lodge Curling Club and enjoy a fun St James Legion Curling League. No experience necessary. Fees are pending but will probably be \$160.00. Contact Kathy at 204-889-7059.



Senior Snooker

The League plans to resume in early October. A sign-up list will be posted on the bulletin board in the Pool Room. Put your name and phone number down on the list and you will be notified when the games will start. You must be a member of the Branch to play.

Cde Jim Ward, Co-Coordinator





Entertainment

Band Schedule, Bands for September and October 2017

Fall is here and our Fall/Winter band schedule is in effect: The schedule for Sept and Oct is as follows:

Sept 1st, Dynamics
Sept 8 & 9, Vintage Groove
Sept 15 & 16, Marvells
Sept 22 & 23, Good Company
Sept 29 & 30, Ricki Redbone

Oct 6 & 7, Halo Jump Oct 13 &14, Dynamics Oct 20 & 21, Vintage Groove Oct 27 & 28, 4 On The Floor

Here's wishing all our members a great Fall

Fraternally yours Cde. Maryanne McGibney, Entertainment Chair



Special Events

I would like to thank all the volunteers who helped out on July 1st Canada Day. We had a great turnout and the day was perfect. Thank you to all.



Chili Cook Off Saturday September 23

Judging begins at 5:30 pm. \$6.00 for a bowl of Chili and a beer If you would like to enter a chili please sign your name on the bulletin board downstairs. There will also be a silent auction.



Halloween Dance Saturday 28 October

Prizes for best costumes Come out and have some fun dressing up.



Veteran's Luncheon Thursday 9 November

There will be a sign up sheet on the bulletin board for any veteran who would like to come and have lunch on with us.



Remembrance Day Saturday 11 November

Parade marches off on Lyle Street at 10:40 am. Bus will leave the branch at approx. 10:00 am. More in next bulletin



Christmas Angel Tree of Remembrance

We will be selling angels for \$5.00 each to hang on a Christmas Tree. These angels are for our fallen veterans and for your loved ones who have passed. We will hang the angels until after Christmas and then you may pick up your special angel and take it home.

There will be more in next bulletin. They will be going on sale by November.

Cde. Betty Zarney, Special Events



Children's Halloween Party

The Children's Halloween Party is set for Sunday, October 29th in the Club Room at the Branch. The Posters are up and the sign-up sheet is there to be filled in. We will again be having Entertainment, Costume Parade, Pumpkin Carving, Games. and Refreshments. This event is free to all members and their families however we do require that you sign up before the posted cut off date so enough pumpkins and refreshments will be available.

Breakfast with Santa at the Legion will be on December 10th Please watch for our upcoming posters.

Cde, Chris Lundgren, Children's Committee

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

We had our Executive meeting on Thursday Aug 10/17 at 1 p.m. Ruth mentioned they had celebrated an Anniversary, we wish them all the best and have a good one.

On July 26/17, our group went to Deer Lodge Hospital and played Bingo. We had a very good turn out. One of our members was in the hospital at the time but she was out to play Bingo. Darlyn McDonald, was nice to see her.

We are going to have our fun day on Monday Sept 18/17. Lunch will be at noon. Games will start at 1 p.m. Darts, Table Top and Crib. There will also be tickets for a 50/50 Draw. You will be getting a phone call.

Our meetings will be starting again, Executive Sept 5/17 at 1:30 p.m. and Regular Sept 14/17 at 1:30 p.m. More information on the fun day will be available, see you then.

Where did the summer go?

June Clarke Over 55+ Publicity



In House Draws, Meat Draw

We still require at least two teams of four volunteers to balance our ticket draw teams for Saturday draws. If you can gather a team please contact me and I will schedule you in on our draw list.

Turkeys and Ham draws will be on the following dates in Sep 2017: Sept 16th Sept 23rd Sept 30th

Have a great Thanksgiving Weekend 7-9 Oct 2017

Cde. Doc Halladay 3rd Vice, In House Draws Chair



Hello Comrades,

It seems that summer has gone by way to fast again. We now have Grey Cup tickets for sale. If anyone is interested selling tickets for the branch please leave your contact information with the bar staff. The cost of the tickets is \$2.00 and there are 25 tickets per bundle. I am usually at the branch on Monday and Friday evenings.

We will be having our Thanksgiving Basket out shortly. The cost of the ticket is \$1.00 and the draw date is Oct.7/17.

Our Chase The Ace is ongoing every Monday evening. It stars at 6PM and the sales close at 8PM, with the draw at 8:15PM. We also sell 50/50 tickets at the same time and the draw is shortly after 8PM. Come out with some friends for an enjoyable evening.

Yours in Comradeship, Cde. Ken Morley, Ways & Means Chair



New Members for the General Meeting As of August 17, 2017

Ordinary New Associate New Affiliate New

George Gamvrelis Rick Nombrado Davinder Grewalz

Reinstated Transferred

Lyndon Jones Jon White

> Number of Dues paid 2017 1141 New Members

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.





LEARN TO LINE DANCE

Monday, 10:00-11:00, Zumba Gold, Beginner, Karen Hodgins, Sept - June Monday, 1:30-3:00, Line Dancing, Beginner, Sheryl Fowler, Oct - May Wednesday, 7:00-7:30, Line Dancing, Intermediate, Karen Hodgins, Sept-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 – June



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. Save \$5.00 if you renew by December 31, 2017. 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. To renew for 2017 the dues are \$50.00.

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.



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