

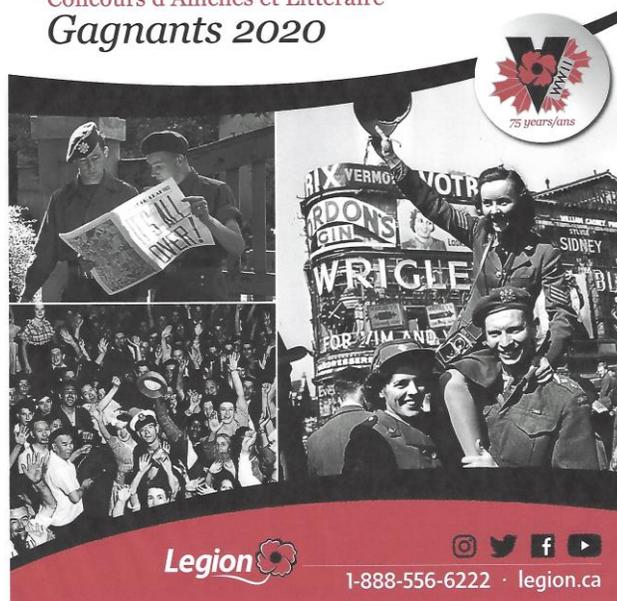
## Legion Youth Education Program Poster & Literary Contest

Ask your children or grandchildren if they have the info yet  
Last year winners at

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*Winners 2020*  
Poster and Literary Contests  
Posters, Essays, Poems

Affiches, Compositions, Poèmes  
Concours d'Affiches et Littéraire  
*Gagnants 2020*



**Your Legion at the Crossroads**  
**Serving Veterans & the Communities of**  
**Tecumseh, LaSalle, Windsor & Amherstburg!**

## TOM'S HUMOUR PAGE

**One day, a man saw a woman crying for help on the side of the road.** As the man approached the hysterical woman, he notices a child on the floor gasping for air. He quickly springs into action and immediately administers CPR to the young child. Finally, a quarter shoots out of the child's throat. The pleased woman asks, "The pleased woman asks, "Are you a doctor, a surgeon?!?" "No" the man says sheepishly, "I work for the CRA."

**On her first day at the seniors complex the new manager addressed all the seniors pointing out some of her rules.** "The female sleeping quarters will be out-of-bounds for all the males and the male dormitory to the females. Anybody caught breaking this rules will be fine \$20 for the first time" She continued, "Anybody caught breaking the rule the second time will be fined \$60 Being caught a third time will cost a fine of \$180. Are there any questions?" At this point an older gentleman stood up in the crowd and inquired: "How much is a Season's Pass?"

**An old man was eating at a truck stop minding his own business when three dangerous looking bikers walked in.** The first walked up to the old man, pushed his cigarette into his pie and then took a seat at the counter. The second walked up to the old man, spit into his milk and then took a seat at the counter. The third walked up to the old man, turned over his plate, and then took a seat at the counter. Without a word of protest, the old man quietly paid and left the diner. One of the bikers said to the waitress, "Humph, not much of a man. was he?" The waitress replied, "Not much of a truck driver either. He just backed over three motorcycles."

**Art Gallery** A couple goes to an art gallery. They find a picture of a naked women with only her privates covered with leaves. The wife doesn't like it and moves on but the husband keeps looking. The wife asks: "What are you waiting for?" The husband replies: "Autumn."

**Sandra's wedding day was fast approaching.** Everything was ready and she wasn't going to allow anything to dampen her excitement, not even her parents' nasty divorce. Her mother, Theresa, finally found the PERFECT dress to wear and would be the best dressed mother of the bride EVER! Several days later, Sandra was horrified to discover that her stepmother, Caroline, had purchased the same dress. She asked Caroline to exchange the dress, but Caroline refused. "Absolutely not! Caroline exclaimed. "I'm going to wear this dress and I'm going to look like a million in it!" Sandra told her mother, who graciously replied, "Never mind, dear, I'll get another dress. After all, it's YOUR special day, not hers." Two weeks later, another dress was finally found. When they stopped for lunch, Sandra asked her mother, "Mom, what are you going to do with the first dress? Maybe you should return it. You don't have any place to wear it." With a sheepish grin, Theresa replied, "Of course, I do, dear! I'm wearing it to the rehearsal dinner!"

**Sven and Ole worked together and both were laid off,** so off they went to the unemployment office. Asked his occupation, Ole said, "Panty stitcher; I sew the elastic onto cotton panties." The clerk looked up panty stitcher. Finding it classified as unskilled labor, she gave him \$300 a week unemployment pay. Sven was asked his occupation. "Diesel fitter," he replied. Since a diesel fitter was a skilled job, the clerk gave Sven \$600 a week. When Ole found out he was furious. He stormed back into the unemployment office to find out why his friend and co-worker was collecting double his pay. The clerk explained that panty stitchers were unskilled and diesel fitters were skilled labor. "What skill?" yelled Ole. "I sew the elastic on, Sven pulls on it and says, 'Yep, diesel fitter.'"

**Little Emily was complaining to her mother that her stomach hurt.** Her mother replied, "That's because it's empty. Maybe you should try putting something in it." The next day, the pastor was over at Emily's family's house for lunch. He mentioned having his head hurt, to which Emily immediately replied, "That's because it's empty. Maybe you should try putting something in it."

## **The Royal Canadian Legion**

# Metropolitan Branch 594

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## **BRANCH** **MEETINGS**

***EXECUTIVE***  
***Tuesday***  
***September 15th<sup>t</sup>***  
***7:00 PM***

**GENERAL**  
**MEETING**  
***Suspended during***  
***COVID-19***  
***Shutdown***



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# PRESIDENT'S REPORT

COVID-19. Do I need to say more?

The pandemic that shut us down on March 16<sup>th</sup> is not over yet.

We are currently in Stage 3 and it allows us to hold some functions at the Branch.

Social distancing is required everywhere, indoors and out.

When entering the building you must sign in (mandated by Province).

Face masks are **mandatory when standing-walking inside the building.**

Masks are not required when sitting at your table.

The patio is open with seating up to 75 depending on family circles...

The Lounge is open with capacity of up to 50 customers (members and/or guests)

Halls A&B are available for rent with up to 50 people per room.

This 50 person capacity is again based on 2m social distancing and is impossible unless there are many social circles.

Other rules apply for Weddings, Funerals and Religious services and rites can be held with up to 30% of licensed capacity. In our case Halls A&B combined have licensed capacity of 280. 30% of 280 = 84 customers total.

The Windsor-Essex County Health Unit will be advising when changes are made to increase or decrease capacity or if changes to safety protocols will be required.

Anything to reduce the chances of a second wave of Covid cases.

We will be doing all we can to provide a safe environment for all.

For all those who have hall rentals we are offering future dates for events where possible.

**During the shutdown Stages your executive have been busy.**

Calls to check on members. A group of volunteers contacted our Veterans and other members to check to ensure they are ok and offer assistance

**In Stage 1** our building was in "Sleep mode" to minimize used of electricity, gas, water.

Draft beer system was drained, cleaned and sealed. Draft beer was returned to the Beer Store for credit. Beer and Food fridges were cleaned. The Bars were cleaned and reorganized. The kitchen floor was refinished with non-slip epoxy. The main foyer re-painting was completed.

Weeding, Grass cutting, trimming, caulking, deep cleaning of our kitchen and other areas, painting, hanging of pictures and displays...

I thank the many volunteers who have been maintaining our facility.

Thanks to the LaSalle Horticultural Society. Their president, Jan Dugdale, reached out last year and offered tulip bulb for our branch. We accepted their offer and last week I picked up 4 cases of tulip bulbs. Com Morris Brause arranged a planting party on May 29th and hundreds of tulips will be popping up next spring!



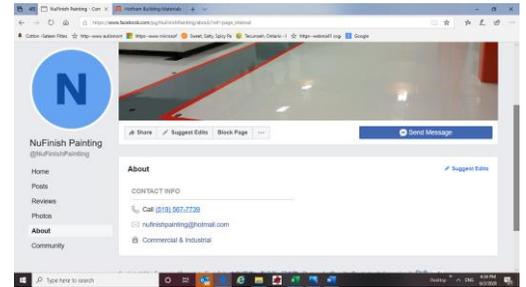
Thanks to Hotham Building Supplies. Branch member Charlie Hotham heard about our slippery floors in the kitchen. He relayed our concerns to Mark Liberty from Tremco. They recommended an epoxy finish with an anti-Slip grit addition in the walkways in the kitchen area. Tremco then

offered to donate the primer and epoxy to show their support of our Veterans. Thank you to Tremco & Hotham Building Supplies!

And more... Charley discussed our situation with Nu-Finish Painting who specialize in the preparation and application of epoxy floors. They gave us a

discounted price and by the time you read this the flooring.

Thank you to Doug & Steve at Nu-Finish Painting for your hard work and generosity.



The Windsor Veterans Memorial Services Committee have an annual event on the first weekend in June. The names of all Veterans and Legion Comrades that have died in the previous 12 months are read and a bell rung in their honour. In addition, gravesites of Veterans are marked with Canadian Flags.

Due to Covid-19 the gathering was cancelled but the flags have been planted in many of our local cemeteries.

Branch 594 offered to look after Victoria Memorial & Greenlawn cemeteries. The WVMSC accepted our offer. Com Konrad Boehler contacted Victoria Greenlawn and received permission to plant the flags in the main Veteran areas. Konrad then arranged for a group of volunteers to meet on Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> and we proceeded to our assigned areas. About 800 Veteran graves now have Canadian flags!



**Stage 2** arrived and on June 29<sup>th</sup> we opened, and even extend, our patio with the permission of the Town of Tecumseh.

The same rules regarding social distancing are in effect.

We removed an 8ft section of fence and now have use to the property line on the North. The Eastern and western boundaries are marked with yellow caution tape.

No alcohol is allowed outside of the marked areas.

A group of volunteers relocated the picnic tables from the patio off Hall B and rebuilt them.

Needing more seating space, we built two 8ft long picnic tables (pressure treated lumber).

Still not enough seating we purchase some plastic Muskoka chairs.

Additional indoor bar table were brought outside and modified to accept umbrellas.

For larger groups we bring out our 5 ft plastic tables with folding legs. Inside maintenance also continued with office floors being stripped and waxed for the first time in years. The conference room also had drywall repairs and was repainted.

### Stage 3

Officially started on August 12<sup>th</sup> and we keep going...

### **Meetings (Branch, Zone, District, Provincial & Dominion)**

To reduce the chance of spreading the virus Membership meetings were stopped by order of the Province of Ontario and Legion Command. Zone & District Conventions were cancelled and even the biennial Dominion Convention was postponed a year.

At the District level the Executive were asked to stay on an additional year.

*“At the Provincial Executive Council meeting on Thursday August 20<sup>th</sup> it was decided that*  
*-Branches that have 50 members or less can hold a general meeting inside provided they follow the proper social distancing guidelines. They could also hold their meeting outside on their patio.*  
*-Branches with 51 to 100 members can hold their general meeting on their patio.*  
*-Branches with over 100 members CAN NOT hold general meetings at this time.*  
*-It is extremely important that branches know this information ASAP because some branches over 100 members are already planning their general meetings.*  
*-We are a democracy and every member has to have the opportunity to attend.*  
*-At the same time, please inform your branches about the decision to hold off on elections until next year at their normal time according to their branch regulations ”*

Based on the above we are not yet allowed to have General Membership Meetings as our membership is well in excess of 100.

I agree that all members need to opportunity to have their voices heard at the General Membership meeting.

In reality we rarely get more than the 5% of membership (5% of 403 = 21members) at these meetings and we could not accommodate the entire membership in our building at one time.

We asked for this PEC decision to be reviewed and changed so membership meetings can be held and elections can take place.

### **Covid-19**

#### **We all think/hope “it won’t happen to me”**

In spite of taking precautions I came down with chills, shaking, body aches and fever on Aug 16<sup>th</sup>.

I self-medicated (Tylenol) and slept for the next 30 hours. On Aug 17<sup>th</sup> I went for a Covid-19 test at Windsor Regional Ouellette Campus. The unit is open 7 days a week and no appointment is required. I arrived around 1pm and a very professional fully protected medical team met me at the door. I was issued a numbered ticket was asked to wait inside on a chair that was just disinfected. After a short wait my number was called and I went to the registration desk where, behind a Plexiglas barrier, a clerk took my OHIP info and asked if I had symptoms. I then returned to my chair (already disinfected / wiped down again) and waited to be called. Not too long after I was called in and a nurse (full PPE) asked my about why I was there, symptoms and the measured vital statistics, blood pressure, pulse rate, blood oxygen level, temperature and performed a nasal swab (it felt like the probe must have been a ft long). The doctor then arrived and was asked to describe my symptoms, asked about medications I was on and if there was anything else I could add to help their assessment. I was told the tests were analyzed 7 days a week and results took 1 to 5 days. If the tests came back positive for Corona-19 I would receive a call from the Health Unit. If negative they would not call. Results (positive or negative) are available through the wechu.org website. You have access to your results through your OHIP card. On Wednesday Aug 19<sup>th</sup> I was advised my tests came back negative (what a relief) BUT as tests are only 70% accurate and I had symptoms my 14 day isolation would have to continue. I have been symptom free since that day but have not left my house. At the request of family members, I had a second test Aug 25<sup>th</sup> and will get results Aug 28<sup>th</sup>. “I can’t wait to “see the world again!”

A very special thank you to all our executive, particularly Larry Williams for stepping in chair our Aug 18<sup>th</sup> Executive meeting in addition to all the other tasks he takes on for our members.

**“Your Legion at the Crossroads, Serving Veterans and the Communities of Tecumseh, LaSalle, Windsor & Amherstburg!” ALL ARE WELCOME HERE!**

**Tom Friesen, President, Metropolitan Branch 594**



## **“Lest we Forget” – 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of VE Day**

Having served for over 40 years in the military, I am always impressed to see how fellow Canadians gather to remember those who have fought in many conflicts or been involved in many peacekeeping and peacemaking missions. There were a significant number of celebrations this year where large numbers of people would have congregated and taken time to remember those who served and those who gave the supreme sacrifice – however, COVID-19 limited attendance and cancelled many. One of those significant anniversaries was VE Day, 8/9 May 1945, the end of World War II. It would have been the 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary of that significant event.

Our Branch, working in concert with Dr. Roman Maev at the University of Windsor, were going to conduct a wonderful remembrance service and honour those WW II veterans that still were still living in our region in May 2020. However, that had to be cancelled. In discussion with our Executive and Dr. Maev, we are still planning an event on November 8<sup>th</sup>, 2020, here at the Branch. If conditions permit, we will have a celebration of remembrance on that afternoon. We may be limited on attendance, but we are determined to REMEMBER those who fought tyranny in our world, with a special reflection on the western and eastern front of Europe.

***Freedom is NOT FREE - it comes with a price.*** It requires people and nations to stand up to corrupt governments, terrorists, insurrectionists and bullies and have the guts to say: ENOUGH IS ENOUGH. It is not acceptable to treat anyone on this earth in an unacceptable manner.

No matter where, or what religious background, or what ethnic background; we as Canadians have stood behind, and indeed in front of people around the world, to protect their rights and freedoms. This country is recognized as one of the finest countries in the world.

My thoughts and words are simple: Bless the Veterans and serving members of our Military.

Bless the police officers, firefighters and EMS people that are prepared to stand in harms way to protect your rights.



***BE PROUD TO BE CANADIAN!      LEST WE FORGET – LEST WE FORGET!      Comrade Morris Brause***

# **MEMBERSHIP**

**Our Metropolitan Branch 594 has 403 members comprised of  
Life 7, Ordinary 96, Associate 220, Affiliate Voting 78**

**A BIG WELCOME to our NEWEST MEMBERS**

## **Ordinary Members**

**Robert Bacon, Johanna Belanger, Joseph Belanger, Ernest  
Drouillard, Sharon Kring, Alexander Pare & Jaquie Winand-Bacon**

## **Associate Members**

**Lisette Belanger, Jeffrey E Moss  
& Patrick Schaffer**

**New 2020 member applications, as of September new members dues are \$18 for 1/3 of a year.**

**The Legion is pleased to offer currently serving and retired Canadian Armed Forces and RCMP members with a free one-year Legion membership, including a subscription to Legion Magazine and access to the Member Benefit programs. Our Veteran Welcome Program, available to all Veterans who have not yet joined the Legion, is a great way to get to know the organization.**

**To apply, please complete the Veteran Welcome Program  
Registration Form <http://www.legion.ca/welcome>**

## **2021 Early Bird Draw**

### **Terms of the Draw:**

Renew Legion 2021 membership in September members are in the draw for October and November as well.  
3 chances to win membership for 2022.

Renew in October members are in the Draw for November as well  
2 chances to win membership for 2022

Renew in November only ONE chance to win your membership for next year 2022

**Note:** Drawing in October for September, then November for September- October, then December for September-October-November.

Covid: We wish members safe return to the Branch.  
Visit the website [www.rcl594.com](http://www.rcl594.com) for Latest News !





**Renew your membership today!**

The Legion's Early Bird Campaign is on until November 30th — don't miss your opportunity to maintain the many benefits of your Legion membership.

When you renew your membership by the early bird deadline, you:

- Keep your account in good standing
- Maintain years of continuous service
- Support the Branch and its programs
- Ensure delivery of LEGION Magazine

To renew your membership, visit our Branch before November 30th or mail your membership dues in the amount of \$50 retired, \$55 working directly to our address below. For your convenience, you can also renew online at [portal.legion.ca](http://portal.legion.ca) (\$ 55). Once registered online, you have the option to set your membership to auto-renew to be billed automatically each year.

Encourage a friend or family member to join, too! Every member makes a difference.

We look forward to seeing you soon.

With kindest regards,

*B Robinson*

Membership Chair

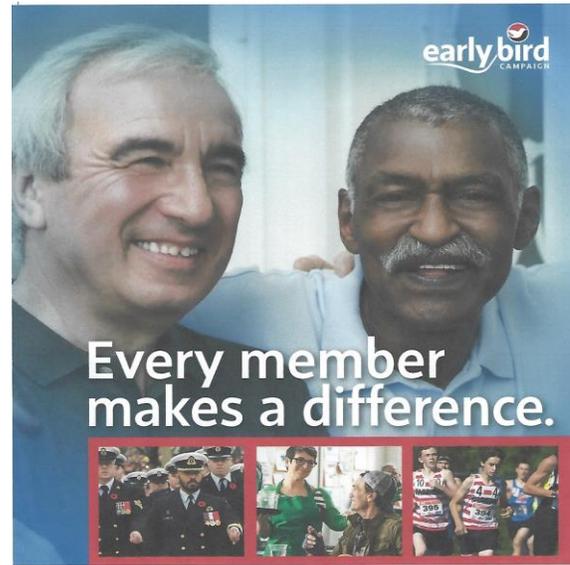
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**Every member makes a difference.**



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**Renew today!**



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**Brian Robinson, Membership Chair**

Changed your address, phone number, email address?

Please send changes, by email to: [membershipbr594@gmail.com](mailto:membershipbr594@gmail.com)

**TREASURER'S REPORT**

Due to public health orders, the branch was closed between March 16<sup>th</sup> and June 28<sup>th</sup>. We opened our outside patio again on June 29<sup>th</sup> and opened our interior lounge on Aug 12<sup>th</sup>.

The branch finances obviously took a big hit from our recent temporary closure of several months. We have many fixed expenses (i.e. utilities etc.) along with repairs that have to continue to be paid even though we had no revenue coming in. Your finance committee struggled to keep all expenses to an absolute minimum until we were allowed to reopen. In order to pay our bills, we were forced to spend approx. \$24,000.00 of our savings and we may also need to cash in some of our long-term investments in order to stay solvent in the near future. Our business is slowly coming back, and our losses are less each month now.

We have explored many grant propositions and government assistance programs but so far have not found any to meet our needs. We are currently working on the Canada Emergency Wage Subsidy to generate some needed funds from the government.

I know everyone is looking forward to getting our Legion back to “normal” as soon as possible. Please continue to patronize your branch so we can continue to serve our veterans, members and the community.

Jim McGhie  
Treasurer

# **Youth Education**

<https://www.legion.ca/communities-youth/youth-education/remembrance-contests>

## **Youth education**

### **Public speaking**

The Legions annual Public Speaking contest was held on Saturday March 7<sup>th</sup> at our Branch.

A lively group of speakers enthralled all who attended.

The winners were to compete at the next level but due to Corona virus the competition was cancelled.

### **Poster & Literary Contest**

The Legion encourages Canadian schools to promote Remembrance Day Ceremonies, and local Branches are involved in supporting those ceremonies. Remembrance is also promoted through the [Legion's school-aged poster and literary contests](#). These contests see more than 100,000 students each year honour Canada's Veterans through creative art and writing.

The competition will take place this year. Materials will be provided to schools once it is safe to do so.

Entries must be physically received by the branch by Friday November 20<sup>th</sup>.

Additional information will follow via our website.

## **Bursaries**

-The Branch Bursary was announced through the website and applications are now closed.

-14 successful candidates have been contacted and will receive their bursaries on Wednesday Sept 2<sup>nd</sup>.

-The 2020/21 Provincial Bursary Programs opens this September when Students are physically on Campus. The deadline to apply is the last Friday in March 2021.

(refer to Provincial website <https://www.on.legion.ca/remembrance/youth-programs/bursaries>)

# **LOTTERY**

**As we are closed there have been no lottery events since the beginning of March.**

The Town of Tecumseh has worked the AGO have given us permission to use lottery funds to help pay our electrical bill. Every \$ counts and we appreciate the cooperation we get from the Town of Tecumseh

## **ATTENDANCE DRAWS**

### **Loonie & Toonie**

**ONE DAY WE HOPE TO HAVE THESE GOING AGAIN!**

Branch 594 Lottery Committee: Elizabeth Abson, Joanne Thompson and Veronica Friesen.

# WINDSOR VETERANS MEMORIAL SERVICE COMMITTEE

Due to Covid related restrictions most Veterans (and others) have not been able to have funeral services other than immediate family.



From June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2019 to Aug 25<sup>th</sup> 2020 we have lost:  
25 Veterans, 10 Comrades & we have performed at 2 funeral services.

The annual bell service was reduced in scope and numbers due to the Corona-19 virus.  
The Service can be viewed on: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=a3nqyLjv90w>.

Ron Bisnaire WVMSC Chair.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

**DAILY:** BBQ, FISH, CHICKEN DINNERS SERVED 4-7PM  
**WEDNESDAY** LUNCHEON SPECIAL  
**FRIDAYS:** BBQ, FISH, CHICKEN DINNERS SERVED 4-8PM  
**SUNDAYS** CLOSED

**NOTE DANCING CURRENTLY PROHIBITED TO REDUCE VIRUS SPREAD**

### **Where Poppies Grow By Anna Smith**

In Flanders Fields where poppies grow,  
I've seen that sight and so I know  
The lives that stay and lives that go  
Who bravely fought against our foe.

In Flanders Fields the poppies sway  
A sign of hope to all that pray.  
It is as if they want to say  
Because of them you're free today.

In Flanders Fields the poppies sing  
To those who've died and those that weep.  
It is as if they want to keep

The dead alive within our dreams.  
In Flanders Fields the poppies grow  
To be a comfort to those who know  
A sacrificed life now deep below

In Flanders Fields where poppies grow.

*First Place Poetry 2019/20  
Anna Smith Geary, NB ·  
Heritage Christian School ·  
#93 Oromocto Br. Poem • Poème*

## Newsletter Advertising

**Thanks to our Advertisers for supporting your  
Legion.**

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<b>Business Card,</b>	<b>\$90.00 + HST</b>
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<b>Half page</b>	<b>\$250.00 + HST</b>
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**The above is for 11 issues (July – August are  
combined)**

**Payment can be made via mail by cheque or at  
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# Ways & Means

Branch 594 Volunteer Committee

## ALL YOU CAN EAT SPAGHETTI DINNER

**TUESDAYS SEPTEMBER 15<sup>th</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup>**  
*“Spaghetti with Rich Tomato-Basil & Meat Sauce,  
Garden Salad and a Thick Slice of Warm Rye Bread”*

**Meals Served 4:30-6:30PM**

**All Health Unit Protocols will be in place.**

**Adults \$10.00, ALL Legion Members \$9.00 (must show card)**

**Children (6 & under) \$3.00**

**NO ADDITIONAL CHARGE FOR TAKEOUT**

**MASKS WHILE STANDING AND SOCIAL  
DISTANCING REQUIRED**



# CRAIG'S KITCHEN



**Indoor, Outdoor & 2Go**

**Monday – Saturday**

**4 to 7 PM**

*Check out our Facebook page for  
complete menu*

## **FISH DINNERS**

### **HALIBUT**

One piece of Halibut, made the way you like it, Battered, Baked, Cajun or Blackened. Served with fries, slaw and a roll. 1 PC. \$15.00 -- 2PC. \$24.25

### **PERCH DINNER**

\$17.00

Five pieces Perch made to order. Baked, Blackened, Cajun or Battered. Served with fries, slaw and a roll.

### **PICKEREL**

Freshly Battered Pickerel, Baked, or Seasoned with our handmade Cajun seasonings.

Served with fries, slaw, and a roll.

1 PC. \$15.00 -- 2PC. \$24.25

### **EXTRAS:**

SINGLE PC. HALIBUT	\$10.25
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**Smoked Ribs with One Side and Coleslaw**

Full Rack \$ 30.00 Half Rack \$17.00

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\$15.00

**Pulled Pork on a Bun One Side & Coleslaw**

\$15.00

**Combination Platter: One Beef Brisket Slider, One Pulled Pork Slider, 3 Rib Bone, One Side & Coleslaw \$20.00**

### **SIDES**

Mac & Cheese, French Fries or Potato Wedges

*Prices subject to change without notice.*

*July 20th, 2020*

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# SENIORS COMMITTEE REPORT

Since COVID-19 forced our Legion to close the operations in mid-March, we have not been able to conduct any functions, guest speakers and other activities for our Seniors.

However, we have not been idle.

We have worked with our President and the Executive to keep in touch with our Seniors by periodically phoning to check on them.

We have been available to take calls and assist, where possible, through volunteers from the Committee, Executive and members at large.

Now that we are open in Phase three, our Committee will be meeting to see what we can plan and attempt to get the program rolling, although limited in size of activities that we will be able to do.

## **Objectives for the Fall period:**

- a. Seniors Dinner and Dance on Mondays: We will only be able to recommence this fun time together when we can dance. We will have to consider social distance requirements, when permitted to run these functions, and determine whether we will have to arrange for having people book ahead of time. More to follow when we know that we can start this program.
- b. Guest Speakers: there may be an opportunity to run a limited guest speaker program, with a maximum attendance of 50 people, depending on booked events. The Committee will meet and determine what is possible and then advertise through our Legion website and our Legion newsletter.
- c. Health Care Open House: albeit that we had a number of agencies that were willing to set up tables for an afternoon and provide information on a number of Seniors programs and health issues, that will be have be postponed until we have more liberal access for people to attend events where a number of people could be attending at one time. More to follow when we know.

**Special Thanks to the Committee Members:** We would like to recruit at least another 2-3 new members for our Committee. If you know of someone who has recently joined our Legion and would like to belong to this committee, please contact me.

*If you are interested in being a member of our Committee, please contact Morris Brause, First VP and the Chair of the Seniors Committee.*



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# SERVICE OFFICERS REPORT

We initiated a Zone program to get the word out that even though our branches are closed our service to Veterans continues. The front page of this newsletter was advertised in the Windsor Star 6 times, Star review 2 times and the LaSalle Post and Tecumseh Shoreline. (Unfortunately both the LaSalle and Tecumseh weekly papers have since shut down).

Two major requests have been entertained to support two different individuals: one with hearing aids and one with a special bed due to injuries. Com Chris Ricard has been able to get some Co-Pay relief but there were costs covered by the Veterans Poppy Trust Fund.

If you know of a veteran in need please let me know!

Chris Ricard  
Branch Service Officer

*Editor's note: we received a letter from the family of one of these veterans thanking us for the fine work that Chris has done along with the others in the process. Great work Chris!!!*

## HOSPITAL

We have many Legion members and friends that can no longer come to the Branch in person would love to hear from us.

Branch Pastor, Rev. *Catherine (Cathy) Collins*-Barker our chairperson has agreed to visit our hospitalized members if they agree. Visitations could be in person or by phone, email, Facebook... as the situation requires.

This committee would also arrange for flowers as directed by your Branch Executive.

**If you can help, we would love to hear from you!**

**Please contact us in person or through email, website or a note in the comment box in the lobby.**

**Note we can only report after families give us permission**

## Branch Members Celebrating SUMMER Birthdays

### May Birthdays

Michael Akpata, William Anderson, John Bell, Paul Bradford, Marilyn Brown, Danny Curtis, Jack Dressler, Richard Dumala, Kenneth Fader, Alex Fernandes, Ken Friesen, Stanley Gauthier, Marc Godin, Robert Gordon, Ernest Malyon, Joe Menna, Catherine O'Brien-Hart, Diana Peters, Mike Ramirez, Raymond Redmile, Zenaida Renon, Richard Rousseau, June Sampson, Leonard Stott, Manola Stumpf, Robert Sukarukoff, Robert Sumner, Joanne Thompson, Marilyn Turner, Christopher Vander Doelen, Donald Wiley, Jaquie Winand-Bacon and David Woodman

### June Birthdays

Johanna Belanger, Craig Belchuk, Michael Boucher, Mitchell Boucher, Paul Boyko, Heather Brunelle, Ian Chippett, Lisa D'Amore, Elizabeth Dykeman, Frances Friesen, Michael Gallant, Cynthia Garrett, John Gray, Dan Greaves, Joe Greaves, Gordon Hadrian, Christine Hawco, Patrick Howe, Shirley Jinkerson, Timothy Klingbile, Abraham Koshy, Deborah MacNeill, Donald MacPhail, Steve Maxim, Scott McFarlane, James McGhie, James Moore, Robert Pyne, Gar Renaud, Marcel Surprenant, Linda Thomas, Darryl Vickers & Larry J Williams

### July Birthdays

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Harold Bissonnette, Delaney Brause, Herbert Bryant, Margaret Caradonna, Jason Carder, Gerald Ciurysek, John Copland, Michael Ferrari, Robert Fraser, Steve Friesen, Veronica Friesen, Lisa Friesen-Stroud, Frank Gauvreau, Gerald Greggs, Russell Hazael, Ian Henderson, John Herdman, Ronald Hunter, Stephen Kales, Sharon Kring, Ken Nantais, Margaret Pinard, Roger Pinard, Erin Purdy, Daniel Reiner, Jeremy Souchuk, Randall Soulliere, Barbara Stafford, Patricia Staudt, Richard Toffelmire, Edward Tousignant & Bill E Williams

#### August Birthdays

Dennis Abson, Alison Amos, Neal Beemer, Richard Beresford, Cecile Bernard, Louis Bertoia, Ronald Bisnaire, Michael Catania, Marguerite Chenier, Derek Elliott, John Greer, Donna Hart, Brent Hughes, Karl Klinck, Barry Kovack, Donald Lemmon, Danny Leonard, Monica Lewandowski, David Lyons, Timothy Murphy, Donald Nesbitt, Terence Roberts, Jodi Lynn Rowe, Gary Rozek, Jeffery Scott, Murray Sinnott, Michael Soulliere, Gerry Strong, Sandra Tofflemire & Robert Winand.

#### September Birthdays

Gerald Allen, Robert Bacon, Grant Barlow, Patrick Beckett, Konrad Boehler, Jonathan Boroski, Kandy Boroski, George Briand, William Bridge, Monchito Bumanlag, Doreen Capnerhurst, Doug Chapman, Kevin D'Amore, Michelle Demmans, Lawrence Evoy, Robert Hart, David Lafreniere, Gordon McLaughlin, George A McMahon Sr, John Metcalfe, James Mitchell, Amanda Moore, Mark Morency, Allan Murphy, George H Paddon Sr, Alex Pawluchyk, Victor Rossyan, Nawzad Sinjari, John Staudt, Darlene Ann Thibert, Ray Underwood & Arvin White

**Hope your birthdays are great!**

## **Bar Report**

Since we had to close our doors in Mid-March due to COVID-19, the Bar Committee has worked on many projects. We were able to return unused and partially used kegs and got a full credit to use when we re-opened. With the assistance of Marilyn Brown and Joanne Cheddore, along with several our executive, we were able to clean all fridges, power wash the walk-in fridge, and clean all the keg beer lines.

We have closely monitored the amount of stock we have, and since opening, have only ordered necessary items; thus, keeping our costs down while our sales have been limited.

As of phase three, we were able to open the indoor main lounge for up to 50 people, along with the patio that can host between 80-100 people based on composition of the group attending, along with social distancing.

We are now able to utilize Halls A and B with limited capacity, due to social distancing; and thus, have been able to have small groups in for functions like wakes.

- a. I am pleased to announce that with a steady flow of members and patrons supporting our Legion, we can now announce that following extended hours:

## **SEPTEMBER BAR HOURS**

**Monday – Thursday and Saturday:**

**Fridays –**

**Sundays:**

**Open from 1:30 – 7:00 pm**

**Open from 1:30-8:00 pm**

**closed until further notice**

Please note that if there is a group that wants to book a function or use the patio (golfing group, meeting, gathering of family, etc.), then the patio and bar lounge can be open earlier if the size of the group makes it cost effective to open.

During the pandemic, I wanted to thank Comrades Jim McGhie, Bob Hart and Delaney Brause for helping with inventory checks.

Further, on behalf of the membership, I thank Comrade Konrad Boehler for helping with the bar supervision when I have been away camping.

It is my intention to run for President of our Legion when we are permitted to have an election. As such, I would like to train a new Bar Officer. This task is not onerous but does need a volunteer who can supervise our bar staff, arrange the monthly inventory checks, review bar prices with the Financial Committee and review any concerns or needs for the bar.

I would like a member of our Legion to step forward and volunteer.  
I will take the time to train and always be there to assist.  
Please contact me at: 519-965-0749.

Comrade Morris Brause Bar Officer/ First VP

## **Lawn and Gardening Committee**

From March until August, we have had several member volunteers assist us in keeping our lawns and gardens in good shape.

Weekly there is a need to cut the lawn and trim the property.

To ensure that we keep the gardens in good shape, there are requirements to do the following: weed the gardens weekly, trim trees and bushes, plant items into our gardens and do some mulching every year.

Here are some of the major things that have occurred over the Spring and Summer:

- a. Trimmed trees around the property
- b. Prepared the extended lawn and garden area adjacent to the outside bar patio for use as an extended patio
- c. Planted nearly 1,000 tulip bulbs that were donated – we cannot wait until next spring to see them colourfully decorate our gardens
- d. Put out mulch for most of the gardens
- e. Weekly cut grass, trimmed and weeded
- f. And created areas in our gardens for butterflies to feed and visit out property.

Comrades Janet Ciurysek and Morris Brause co-chair the volunteer committee and organize people to work on the yard and gardens. We want to thank the following comrades for their help over the Spring and Summers: Comrades Janet Ciurysek, Bob Hart, Larry Williams, Tom Boroski, Veronica Friesen, Sue Robinson, Beth Abson, John Demitroff and his family, Jim McGhie, Linda Ross and Morris Brause.

We are always looking at getting more volunteers to assist, which means that you would only be required for a few hours each month. If you are interested, please contact one of the following: Comrades Morris Brause, Janet Ciurysek or Larry Williams.

*Respectfully Submitted by: Comrade Morris Brause, Bar Officer/ First VP; and Comrade Janet Ciurysek, Sergeant-at-Arms and Chair of Committee.*

# 2715

## Cadet Corps Report



# RCACC

Jim McGhie,  
Cadet Liaison  
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[mcghie@mnsi.net](mailto:mcghie@mnsi.net)

Thank you for supporting our Cadet Corps.

The staff will be meeting on Wed 09 Sep at the branch to plan training.  
The first Cadet parade will likely be held on Wed 07 Oct as it stands right now.  
Department of National Defense will be supplying masks and hand sanitizer for everyone so they can stay safe.

# LEGION SPORTS

## BRANCH

All Branch Sports including POOL, DARTS, CARDS... have been cancelled during the Covid-19 Pandemic.

A meeting with representatives of the groups is being planned (tentative Wednesday Sept 2<sup>nd</sup> at 6:30pm) to get input from all parties. Discussions to include if and how groups think they could operate under Health Unit restrictions.

## ZONE/DISTRICT/ PROVINCIAL

No events are scheduled at this time at Zone or District level. The 2021 Provincial schedule is shown here with the hope that qualifying competitions can occur.

PROVINCIAL SPORTS CALENDAR 2021 & 2022

EVENTS	2021 DATE	HOSTS	DIST.	WINNER/HOST	2022 DATE
CRIBBAGE	March 6th	Br. 50 Kitchener	C		March 6th
SNOOKER	March 13th	Br. 266/46 Maple Leaf	D		March 12th
DARTS	March 20th	Br. 532 New Hamburg	C		March 19th
8-BALL	March 27th	Br. 163 Mount Hamilton	B		March 26th
SENIORS DARTS	April 10th	Br. 82 Port Credit	B		April 9th
YOUTH DARTS	April 24th	Br. 73 Oakridge	D	District E	April 23rd
EUCHRE	May 1st	Br. 421 Beeton	E		May 7th
SHUFFLEBOARD	May 29th	Br. 412 Kitchener	C		May 28th
MIXED DARTS	June 5th	Br. 99 Belleville	F		June 4th
HORSESHOES	August 7th	Br. 472 Hawkesbury	G		August 6th
WASHER TOSS	August 28th	Br. 272 Hespeler	C		August 27th
GOLF	Sept 11th	Br. 299 Listowel	C		Sept 10th

2021 DOMINION SPORTS DATES

EVENT	HOST	PROV.	DATE
CRIBBAGE	Br. 15 Cochrane	AB	Apr. 23 - Apr. 26, 2021
DARTS	Br. 4 Chilliwack	BC	Apr. 30 - May 3, 2021
Eight Ball	Br. 104 Innisfail	AB	May 28 - May 31, 2021

2021 Dominion Convention - August 12 - 19, 2021  
2021 CNE Warrior Day Parade - August 21, 2021  
2021 Sports Meeting - September 26th, 2020 AM

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**Mike Willson**

# LAST POST

## Lester, Neil

June 29, 2020, 80 years

Neil served in Canadian Army (Provost Corp), and Essex & Kent Scottish  
Legion member for 34 years

## Taylor, Kenneth

88 years of age

Ken was a RAF Veteran  
Legion Member, Branch Executive, Ways & Means Chair  
Legion member for 27 years

*At the going down of the sun, and in the morning  
We will Remember Them!*

## POPPY REPORT

- The balance in the Poppy Trust Fund at the end of July 2020 was \$33,557.10.
  - We will be issuing approximately 14 cheques to the recipients of this year's Branch Bursaries of \$750.00 each.
  - During the summer there was a \$4,000.00 donation from one of our members, Comrade Leo Gallant.
  - Our Cadet Corp, the 2715 RCACC, received a donation from Branch 594 Poppy Trust Fund (as allowed in the Poppy Manual).
- Front row left to right, CWO Hannah Winger. Archie Neilson Poppy Chair Branch 594, Mr. Jay Wigle President Support Committee,  
Back Row Ocdt O DeYoung, Ocdt J Fader.
- Discussions have been held on upcoming use some of the Poppy Trust funds. It was recommended that we wait for the next few months to determine the distribution; but as noted by Com. Chris Ricard, we continue to take care of Veterans needs.
  - A meeting of Zone A1 branch presidents, Poppy Chairs and Youth Ed was held on Sunday March 15th at Branch 594. The Poppy/Youth Ed areas were reviewed to minor modifications to make more sense logistically.



Archie Neilson, Branch Poppy Chair