



THE ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION
ONTARIO COMMAND CHARITABLE FOUNDATION,
&
ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION LADIES' AUXILIARY,
ONTARIO COMMAND



BURSARY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

- RATIONALE:** The Bursary Program is designed to assist students entering or pursuing their post-secondary education, including courses or programs of a technical and vocational nature, outside of and beyond secondary school. Approved bursary assistance is not based upon scholastic standing but rather on the successful completion of the current year of study and recommendation by the District Bursary Committee.
- ASSISTANCE:** Students applying for assistance may be granted a Bursary based on documented need in the amount of \$1,000.00 per scholastic year (September to August) as determined by the District Bursary Committee.
- Students entering a diploma or certificate course, usually of a shorter duration with reduced tuition, may be granted assistance at a rate to be determined by the District Bursary Chair(s).
- Indentured apprentices may apply for assistance for the purchase of tools and instruments.
- ELIGIBILITY:**
- (1) Ex-Service personnel or currently serving members of The Canadian Forces (Regular, Reserve, and Merchant Navy) and their spouse, children and grandchildren. Commonwealth war veterans and their spouse, children and grandchildren.
 - (2) Ordinary and Life members of The Royal Canadian Legion and their spouse, children and grandchildren.
 - (3) Associate members of The Royal Canadian Legion and their children only.
 - (4) Ladies' Auxiliary members and their children and grandchildren.
 - (5) Stepchildren and step grandchildren may be considered where applicable.
- APPLICATIONS:** Application forms are available from the following:
- a) Secondary School Guidance Offices / Awards Offices of the Colleges and Universities
 - b) Provincial Service Bureau Offices
 - c) Branches of The Royal Canadian Legion and Ladies' Auxiliary

\$1,000.00 BURSARY APPLICATIONS NOW BEING ACCEPTED!
FOR COMPLETE DETAILS click on link below

[THE ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION](http://www.rcl594.com)

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

The Royal Canadian Legion

Metropolitan Branch 594

2022-23 Executive

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| Youth Education | Tom Friesen | see above | |
| Veterans Services | Archie Neilson | see above | |
| Chaplain | Rev Dr Catherine Collins-Barker | 519-969-3333 | |

SPECIAL COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSON/S

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|---|---------------------------------|--------------|--|
| Bar Chairman | Randy Soulliere | see above | |
| Branch Prop (In/Out) | Larry Williams | see above | |
| Branch Regulations | Morris Brause | see above | |
| Bursaries | Tom Friesen | see above | |
| Colour Party | Open | | |
| Entertainment | Bob Hart | see above | |
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| Hospital | Rev Dr Catherine Collins-Barker | see above | |
| Kitchen Convener | Randy Soulliere / Jim McGhie | see above | |
| Legion Week | Konrad Boehler | see above | |
| Liaison to Cadets | Jim McGhie | see above | |
| Lottery | Beth Abson | see above | |
| Newsletter | Tom Friesen | see above | |
| Parkwood Institute | Archie Neilson | see above | |
| Pool Tables | John Greer | | |
| Remembrance | Konrad Boehler | see above | |
| Ways & Means | Veronica Friesen | | |
| Webmaster | B Robinson | see above | |
| Windsor Veterans Memorial Services Committee: Ron Bisnaire 226-340-9611 | | | |

** Appointed by President and ratified by Membership Jan 24, 2023.*

(Matt's appointment effective after Financial Review Committee final reports are complete and accepted.)

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BRANCH MEETINGS

**EXECUTIVE
TUESDAY
FEB 21st
10:00 AM**

**MEMBERSHIP
MEETING
TUESDAY
FEB 28th
7PM**

Tom's Humour Page

A woman told her friend, "I feel like my body has gotten totally out of shape, so I got my doctor's permission to join a fitness club and start exercising." She said, "So, I decided to take an aerobics class for seniors. I bent, twisted, gyrated, jumped up and down, and perspired for an hour. But by the time I got my leotards on, the class was already over."

A retired man now volunteers to entertain patients in assisted living homes and hospitals. He visited one hospital in Windsor and brought along his portable keyboard. After telling jokes and singing songs at patients' bedsides, he said farewell and, "I hope you get better." One elderly gentleman replied, "I hope you get better, too."

There are four stages of old age:
You forget names. Then you forget faces. Next, you forget to zip up. And finally, you forget to zip down.

When you're 20 and you drop something, you pick it up. When you're 80 and you drop something, you decide you don't need it anymore.

Two elderly women were eating breakfast in a restaurant one morning. Ethel noticed something funny about Mabel's ear and she said, "Mabel, did you know you've got a suppository in your left ear?" Mabel answered, "I have a suppository?" She pulled it out and stared at it. Then she said, "Ethel, I'm glad you saw this thing. Now I think I know where my hearing aid is."

A senior is sitting at a bar when a young woman walks in and sits down a few seats over. The senior man gets up, shuffles over to her, leans in, and asks, "So... do I come here often?"

Two older gentlemen, Fred and Sam, went to see a movie. Merely minutes into the movie, Sam heard Fred rustling around. It appeared that he was reaching under all of the seats. "What on earth are you doing, Fred?" asked Sam. Fred indignantly responded, "I had a caramel in my mouth and it dropped out. I'm trying to find it!" Annoyed, Sam told him not to worry about it — they could get him another caramel later since that one was ruined by now. "But I've got to," said Fred, exasperated. "My teeth are in it!"

An older man, living alone, decided he wanted to add a pet companion to his life. After thinking long

and hard about the decision, he buys a parrot and brings it home. However, the parrot almost immediately starts insulting the older man and gets really rude. In a moment of frustration, the man picks up the parrot and tosses it into the freezer to teach it a lesson. But when the bird stops squawking, the man panics and opens the freezer. The parrot walks out, looks up at the man, and says, "I apologize for offending you, and I humbly ask your forgiveness." The man replies, "Well, thank you. I forgive you, and I'm sorry too." The parrot then says, "If you don't mind my asking... what'd the chicken do?"

An older gentleman shuffled slowly into an ice cream parlor and pulled himself slowly, rather painfully looking, onto a stool. After catching his breath, he ordered a banana split supreme. The waitress smiled kindly at him, asking, "Crushed nuts?" The older gentleman replied, "No... arthritis."

The Detroit Lions had just finished their daily practice session when a large turkey came strutting onto the field. While the players looked on in amazement, the turkey walked up to the head coach and demanded to be given a chance to play at tight end. Everyone stared in silence and wonder as the turkey caught pass after pass and ran right through the defensive line. When the turkey returned to the sidelines, the coach said, "You're superb. Sign up for the season, and I'll see to it that you get a huge bonus."

"Forget the bonus," replied the turkey, "What I want to know is, does your season go past Thanksgiving Day?"

A friend of mine has two tickets for the Super Bowl. He didn't realize when he bought them that this is the same day as his wedding, so he can't go. If you're interested... The church is in New York City and the bride's name is Donna.

Speaking to her 93-year-old grandfather, a young woman asked, "Grandpa, what were your good old days?" Grandpa's reply? "When I wasn't good, and I wasn't old."

God grant me the Senility to forget the people I never liked anyway, the good fortune to run into the ones I do, and the eyesight to tell the difference.

PRESIDENTS REPORT

Dear Comrades:

During the month of January, I had the opportunity to speak to members and guests of the Military Institute of Windsor at their Luncheon held at our Branch. My topic was my command of a Combat Team (over 400 soldiers) in Bosnia-Herzegovina in 1994.

When preparing for that presentation, I could not but help to feel sadness and remorse for what I witnessed in the former Yugoslavia. I was also proud to know just how effective our fellow Canadians were when they attempted to bring peace to a region suffering from Civil War.



My dear Comrades, we are witnessing the same tragedies in the Ukraine for nearly a year! Although some things have been done to support the Ukrainians against this outrageous attack on their sovereign country, there are many serving members and veterans here in Canada that are deeply perplexed to the point of PTSD reactions to these atrocities. Our *“raison d’etre” (reason for being)* is as important today, as it was in 1925 when the Royal Canadian Legion stood up proudly to serve and assist Veterans and their families.

Through our outstanding Poppy Campaign, your work on different committees to support our community members, and your attendance at our Remembrance services throughout the year, indeed exemplify the work we do to support our Legion objectives. ***Lest We Forget – Lest We Forget!*** Canadians across this country have directly offered support to Ukrainian refugees! We must continue to stand for the right of others and demonstrate our resolve as Canadians to protect the dignity and sovereignty of our neighbors throughout this world.

My sincere thanks to all the Executive members, Chairs of Committee, and volunteers who keep this Branch alive and well. Our kitchen and bar staff provide us with great service. Our bookkeeper continues to work for hours each week to maintain our financial and administrative requirements as a business. Our custodian continues to ensure our Branch looks spectacular! Well done to all!

I advised those members who could attend our Membership Meeting on Tuesday, January 24th, that Comrade Larry Williams has had to resign from the Executive and duties he performed for years in our Branch due to illness. He is working with his doctors and hopes to return to the Branch soon. Please keep him in your thoughts and prayers.

With the approval of the Executive and the members who attended the last Membership meeting, I have appointed Matt Beasley to fill the vacant seat on the Executive and John Antaya will take over as our Sports Officer, with the kind assistance from Tom Friesen.

Thank you all for your continued support of this Branch. Please bring more members to us – we are growing and want to continue to grow!

Comrade Morris Brause, President



HOSPITAL

We have 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 and Covid protocols allow.

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

MEMBERSHIP

**As of Jan 24th, we have a
Membership of 468**

Consisting of: Life 7, Ordinary 102, Associate 253, Affiliate Voting 104 and Affiliate Non-Voting 2

***2023 Dues: \$55.00 per
person at Branch or
Online.***

***Retired Members \$50 per
person, at Branch Only!***
**So far for 2023: Renewed 361, Not
Renewed (yet): 107**

***Note members who have not paid
their 2023 dues by Jan 31st will no
longer be considered "in good
standing" so please renew ASAP.***

New Members

The following new members have been accepted by membership

Ordinary: Mike Catania, Wayne Schedler
(transfer in)

Associate: Kelli Ann Damm, Kimberly Ladouceur, Cathy MacDonald, Linda Urquhart, Margaret Yoell, Erik Matthew Lobzun, Tricia Labelle, Billie Jo Zacher & Shanna Bridgen,

Affiliate Voting: Vicki Baumert, Dan Dumouchelle, Fredrick T. Hussey, Joe Mayer, Wayne Urquhart. Brian Urquhart

Reinstated Affiliate Voting: David Damm.



Above Photo (alphabetically)

Tom Barr, Shanna Bridgen, Mike Catania, David Damm, Kelli Ann Damm, Dan Dumouchelle, Fred Hussey, Erik Lobzun, Cathy MacDonald, Brian Urquhart, Linda Urquhart, Wayne Urquhart

Missing from Picture: Vicki Baumert (Welcomed in Office), Joe Mayer (Welcomed in Office)
Margaret Yoell (after meeting)

**The Legion is pleased to extend
our 1-year free membership for
Veterans AND their Families.**

The Veteran Family Welcome Program is open to spouses and adult children of CAF or RCMP serving members and Veterans who have not yet joined the Legion. This program is a great way to get to know the organization and share your support for Canada's Veterans.

Being a Legion member offers opportunities to improve the lives of those who served, remember the Fallen, and support your community — and every member makes a difference. To get more involved with Legion activities in your community and to add your voice to our advocacy efforts and the future of the Legion, apply through Dominion Command's Veteran Welcome Program and bring your membership card to any Legion Branch to request a transfer to that Branch.



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

Brian Robinson, Membership Chair

Changed your address, phone number, email address?

Please send changes, by email to: membershipbr594@gmail.com

TREASURER'S REPORT

The good news: Activity at the Branch continues to increase with record (last 3 years) bar sales. Inventory has been increased to keep up with the demand.

Branch sports, new customers and a great kitchen have been welcomed by all.

Branch 594 continues to hold many functions all help in supporting the branch.

The challenges: Increasing costs for utilities, supplies and staff continue. Our building systems require maintenance and repairs. Snow and ice removal season is now here with associated costs...

Summary: With the assistance of our many volunteers we been able to have revenue exceed expenses for the last six months (current fiscal year) but overall cost increases require our prices to our customers to rise for food, beverages and hall rentals.

Thank you all for helping and being such an integral part of this branch and its functions.

John Antaya, Treasurer

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Two of our long-term investments (GIC's) are coming due this month. We are taking advantage of the current high interest rates to lock these in for a three-year period which will result in the branch earning a large amount in interest earnings. We have two other GIC's maturing next year (2024) and two more maturing the following year (2025). We are continuing our strategy of having some of our GIC's maturing and available to us each year, should the need arise to pay for any major unforeseen repairs to the branch.

Last year we were very fortunate to receive a grant from the New Horizons for Seniors organization for several projects that we wanted to complete around the branch. We are making our final purchase of a new electric Steam Table this month which will allow us to hold three food service events at the same time in each of our three rooms. Our two current Steam Tables are both over 20 years old and are starting to show their age and may need to be replaced at some point.

During our January kitchen maintenance shutdown week in January, we had our kitchen floor professionally refinished. The existing floor was having the paint peeling up and was slippery. This new floor covering is non-slip and has a lifetime warranty.

Jim McGhie
Finance Committee Chair

PROPERTY

Winter is here! We do our best to keep snow plowed and parking lot and sidewalks salted. Sometimes mother nature has her own schedule so please drive and walk carefully.

Our TV control system is 89% operable.
Only the Main Hallway monitor is not working and will be fixed ASAP

Many of our customer take advantage of our Air Media System that allows them to show pictures, PowerPoint presentations when they rent our facility...
Unfortunately, the system does not connect with all computers so we have purchased a dedicated laptop that users only need to bring their information on a USB memory stick and plug it into it.

Road Sign: our electric sign will be upgraded in March.

The vacuum cleaner power head died and we had to replace it with a heavier duty unit.

REMINDER: We need our members and guests to be respectful and smoke only in the designated smoking areas and extinguish their cigarettes in the containers provided!

We have had Fires in both the gardens by our monument and by our lounge patio by careless disposal of cigarette butts.

TRAINING

K. Boehler and R. Soulliere has arranged for Emergency First Aid, CPR & AED training requirements for the remaining staff and Executive that need this training on Sunday February 19th.

We will also be establishing the online training schedule for our staff and executive for WHMIS with GHS, Workplace Violence & Harassment and Disabilities in the Workplace.

In addition, we will need to setup a schedule for our staff and executive with Smart Serve Certificates to complete their required refresher training prior to July 1, 2023.

Com Konrad Boehler, Training & Development Chair

Youth Education & Bursaries

LITERARY AND POSTER CONTEST

The "District A" competition winners will be announced shortly, and they will be sent on for the Ontario competition.

Thanks to all students (and their teachers) for your entries!

PUBLIC SPEAKING COMPETITION.

The Public Speaking Contest, part of the Legion's Youth and Education program, is meant to give young people an opportunity to speak in public. The individual chooses their own subject matter for the address. Contestants are divided into four classes: Grades 1-2, Grades 4-6, Grades 7-9, and Grades 10-12.

The speakers may select their own topics. All Speeches are to be the original work of the speaker. The Topics chosen by the individual speakers do not necessarily reflect the views or opinions of the Royal Canadian Legion. The speaker will credit authors and sources of material, if referring to another person's work. Speeches that repeat verbatim another person's original work will not be accepted

Complete details are found at [Youth Programs \(legion.ca\)](http://Youth Programs (legion.ca)) in the "Public Speaking Contest" section.

THE ZONE A1 COMPETITION IS SATURDAY MARCH 4TH AT BRANCH 261, 12326 Lanoue St, Tecumseh (across from Ste Annes Church).

Competitor Registrations (to be received by Feb. 25th)

Completed registration forms [public-speaking-entry-form.pdf \(legion.ca\)](http://public-speaking-entry-form.pdf (legion.ca)) are to be sent to:

Royal Canadian Legion

5030 Howard Ave

Tecumseh, ON

N9H 0M3

Attn: Morris Brause, Zone A1 Youth Education Chair

Email registrations to morbrause@gmail.com are acceptable

Please copy the Branch Youth Education Chair (Tom Friesen) at the same address but email is tfriesen@cogeco.ca

BURSARIES

Refer to the front page. Ontario Provincial Command / Ladies Auxiliary is looking to give money away to support students. \$1,000 bursaries are available to those who qualify!

NOTE: YOU MAY NOT NEED TO BE A LEGION MEMBER TO QUALIFY!

RCL Br 594 Youth Education & Bursary Committees: Tom Friesen, Patti Brause & Gerry Ciurysek

KITCHEN REPORT

SUNDAY FOOTBALL: The Bunker will be offering weekly specials on football Sundays as well as an awesome platter of appetizers.

The bar will be offering \$4.00 well drinks and domestic bottles all day along with \$5.00 domestic pints all day too while you enjoy the games in our lounge.

These offers will extend until the end of the NFL playoffs / Superbowl

The kitchen has reopened after a one-week shutdown to epoxy all the floors.

Join us for Sunday Brunch on Sunday February 5th from 10 am -1pm.

Ham, Bacon, Sausage, Scrambled Eggs, Pancakes, Toast, Coffee, Tee, Cottage Cheese, Fruit Salad & House Salad. Adults \$13.95, Children under 10 \$7.00, Children under 3 Free with Adult meal!

The Kitchen will be updating their menus and pricing soon after a review of their first 6 months of operating our kitchen. We look forward to building on the early success of this partnership with the branch.

There are many events planned in near future including a super bowl party, Sunday Feb 5th Brunch, Valentine's Day dinner (Feb 11th), a Mardi Gras dinner (Feb 24th), St. Patrick's Day party (Mar 17th), Good Friday fish dinner and a Mother's Day brunch and many more.

Follow along in our monthly newsletters, our website (www.rcl594.com) and our social media pages (Facebook RCL Br 594) for weekly food specials.

Comrades Randy Soulliere and Jim McGhie. Co-Kitchen Convenors

Contact Tricia LaBelle at
email: thebunkerkitchen@gmail.com
phone: 519-969-0551



"The Bunker"

Open for a Pub Style menu Every Day

**Sunday - Wednesday Noon till 7pm
Thursday - Saturday Noon - 8pm**

Daily Specials Too!

**Come in and enjoy Fine Foods and
Friendly Service!**

**ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION BR 594
5030 HOWARD**

WANTED

Looking for Pokémon cards and comic books.

**If you've got some laying around just taking up space email
Ken Friesen (RCL Br member since 1989)**

kmfriesen70@gmail.com



Sunday Brunch

FEB 5TH

Ham, Bacon, Sausage,
Scrambled Eggs, Home
Fries, Pancakes & Syrup,
Toast, Cottage Cheese,
Fruit Salad, Orange Juice,
Coffee & Tea

Served 10AM TILL 1PM

Adults \$13.95
Children 10 and under \$7.00
Children 3 and under
Free with paying adult.
HST extra

Billies "Bunker"
Kitchen

5030 Howard Ave,
Tecumseh
519-969-0551

Reservations suggested for groups 6 or more

WAYS & MEANS

Our 2023 spaghetti dinners resume on Tuesday January 10th and 104 customers were well fed!

The Jan 24th dinner was cancelled as the kitchen floor was epoxied that week.

We have two (2) All You Can Eat Spaghetti dinners, Tuesday Feb 7th and Tuesday Feb 28th. Please consider bringing your friends and family in to enjoy a great meal and help raise funds for the Branch.

Once again, I would like to thank our volunteers and cadets who come out to help make, serve, and clean up. Without you, these spaghetti dinners would not be as successful as they are for our Branch.

Note we offer vegetarian & gluten free options as well!

Looking forward to seeing you at the Legion!

Veronica Friesen, Ways & Means Chair



BRANCH SPORTS

Dart Leagues

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| Saturday NIGHT 1 | Jan Verpaeist. | ph. 226 787-8818. | jenny1376@hotmail.com |
| Saturday NIGHT 2 | Debbie Wilson. | ph. 519 981-3279. | wildeb1959@hotmail.com |
| Wednesday men's | Tony Zahaluk. | ph. 519 250-0766. | tzahaluk@hotmail.com |
| Friday mixed team | Gary Norman. | ph. 266 348-0876. | rosegary@hotmail.com |

Pool

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| Mondays mixed | Bill Anderson. | ph 519 817-4430. | andersonboyz@hotmail.com |
| Thursday luck of draw | Jim Collard. | ph. 519 250-0549. | jcollard@cogeco.ca |
| Tuesday fun pool. | Come & Play | | |

Cribbage

Open Cribbage on Sunday Afternoons from 1 pm to 3 pm. Join us and take part in our refreshments, open kitchen, and great comradeship.

District-Provincial Sports

Our Branch had 3 teams that have qualified and will attend the 8 ball doubles "District A" Tournament on 21 January 2023 in Blenheim.

The team of Harry Bissonette (replacing a sick Len Bedal) & Don Semande have moved on to Provincial to be hosted by Hamilton March 25th but played in Burlington.

John Antaya, New Branch 594 Sports Officer

Editors note: Larry Williams stepped down for personal reasons. We wish to thank Larry for the man-many things he has done for our Branch.

WEBSITE

Lots of information on www.rcl594.com

Brian Robinson, webmaster

2715 RCACC



Cadets Corps training is back in full swing after the Christmas break on Wednesday evenings here at the branch.

We always welcome new recruits ages 12-18 to the Cadet Corps. Check out our website for further information www.2715rcacc.com

Next year (2024) the Cadet Corps will be celebrating their 50th anniversary of being sponsored by Branch 594. They first started training here in 1974 after the Windsor Board of Education ceased their support of the Cadet program at Vincent Massey High School and the Cadet Corps moved to their new home here at the branch.

Thank you for your ongoing support of our Cadet Corps.

Jim McGhie, Cadet Liaison, 519-979-8904, mcghie@mnsi.net

WINDSOR VETERANS MEMORIAL SERVICE COMMITTEE

Funeral Services are being performed at the request of the Veteran's family through the funeral homes. Recent funerals have been gravesite services.

From June 1st, 2022, until Dec 2nd, 2022, we have lost:
61 Veterans, 51 Comrades & have performed at 15 funeral services.
Note that Legionnaires are welcomed / encouraged to attend funeral services.
Most service dates and times are included in obituaries in Windsor Star and online.



Next meeting is scheduled at 7:30pm on Wednesday Feb 15th at Br 255.

Ron Bisnaire, Branch 594 Liaison to WVMSC

SENIORS **COMMITTEE**

Senior Dinner Dances resumed on January 30th after the one-week break while the kitchen floor was replaced.

We are looking forward to seeing all your smiling faces, and wonderful dancing, as well.

February 6th Low Vision will be making a presentation starting at 2pm *No advance registration required just show up!*

The next committee meeting is Thursday February 9 at 10:00am.

RCL Branch 594 Seniors' Committee Co-Chairs:
Sue Robinson, Beth Abson, Morris Brause

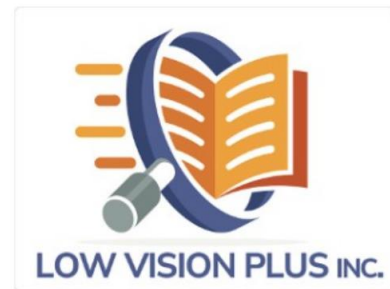
Committee Members: Barb Hooper, Archie Neilson, Shirley Jinkerson, Doreen Eansor, and Peggy Caradonna.

We look forward to your views, wishes and advice.

If you wish to join the committee, please contact Sue or Beth

Royal Canadian Legion Branch 594

Join Us on
February 6, 2023 at 2 pm
for a presentation by
Ren Maynard of
Low Vision Plus Inc



Do you (or someone you know) have ...
Macular Degeneration?

Glaucoma?

Cataracts?

Or have difficulty reading small print, even with glasses? Then...

Low Vision Care may be able to help.

Lottery Committee

Our Attendance Draws (Loonie-Toonie) are now "Progressive Raffles"
The Loonie, Toonie membership draw is alive and well.

As required by the AGCO 50% of all Progressive Raffles must be donated to a registered charity approved by the municipality.

Donations have been made to 45th Windsor Scouts for \$250.00 and for \$250.00 to Canadian Mental Health Association.

The committee will be looking into opportunities for charitable funding through the Ontario Charitable Gaming Association.

Beth Abson Lottery Chair

SERVICE OFFICERS REPORT

If you know of a Veteran in need, please let me know!
Archie Neilson, Branch Service Officer

Our Mission is to serve Veterans, which includes serving military and RCMP members and their families, to promote Remembrance and to serve our communities and our country

Disability Benefit Process

- VAC First Application
- VAC Departmental Review
- VRAB Review Hearing
- VRAB Appeal Hearing
- VRAB Request for Reconsideration

We at Royal Canadian Legion are able to do same level of work. We submit the First Application

- We co-represent with Bureau of Pension Advocates
 - Assist with preparation of evidence
 - Prepare individual(s) for in-person appearance
 - Attend Review Board Hearing
- Service Officers at Dominion Command level specialize in Appeals.

Categories of Veterans who may qualify for VAC Benefits

- WWII – Canadian and Overseas Service
- Korea
- Merchant Navy
- Regular Force / Reserve Force – Still Serving, Released, Special Duty Area
- RCMP – Still serving and Released

2022 Veteran's Benefit Guide <https://legionmagazine.com/guide>

Link for non-Veterans <https://shop.legionmagazine.com/product/veteran-benefits-guide-2022/>

Archie Neilson, Branch 594 Service Officer

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FAX: (519) 649-7931

***** NOTICE OF ITINERARY VISIT *****

Miss Brittany Campbell
Acting Provincial Service Officer
London Service Bureau

Will be visiting Branch No. 594, Tecumseh, ON
Town

On Friday March 17, 2023
Date

At approximately 09:00 a.m.
Time

Anyone wishing information, advice or assistance, regarding:

1. Disability Benefit Applications, Reassessments, Reviews, and Appeals
2. Referrals for Entitled Veterans to Treatment Benefits, VIP, and Special Awards
3. Information and Assistance with Rehabilitation and Vocational Assistance Applications
4. Applications for Benevolent Funds
5. War Veterans Allowance Applications
6. Information and Assistance for Widows

Are requested to contact the Branch Service Officer or Secretary of the local Branch to arrange an interview.

BAR REPORT

Our \$4.00 well drinks and domestic bottles as well as \$5.00 pints of domestic beer all day on Sundays will continue until the end of the Superbowl.

Come and watch the games and enjoy the Bunker Kitchen specials which includes a large football platter of appetizers that is awesome.

We have hired another occasional bartender to help fill in the gaps when needed. Please welcome Rob Rosati when you see him. Rob brings over 20 years of experience in the bar industry.

We have a beautiful Landshark cooler that has been donated by our friends at Waterloo Brewing that will be raffled off on Super Bowl Sunday near the end of the game. We will have many kitchen specials that day as well as some other giveaways during the game. One ballot will be given for each purchase of a Landshark bottle or purchase of a Landshark Pint. Come and join for the game.

Comrade Randy Soulliere, Bar Officer

Branch Members Celebrating FEBRUARY Birthdays

John Bakos, Vicki Baumert, Matthew Beasley, Christine Brown, Todd Brown, Chester Brudz, E J Brunett, Richard Carder, Mark Cesare, Georges Chenier, Michael Cichon, Catherine Collins-Fulea, Ernest Drouillard, Candice Fader, Stevan Garrett, Kim Gauvreau, Earline Graszat, David Harvieux, Garry Hawco, Gayle Hutter, Rhonda Kavanaugh-Kehl, Erik Matthew Lobzun, Carmen Maurice, Josephine McCoy, Stewart McEwen, Denis Meloche, Robert Mercer, Jean Murphy, Gerald Pongratz, John Robinson, Catherine Rocheleau, Glenn Ross, Linda Ross, Irene Schen, Ron Shaw, William Sloan, Donald Spafford, Norval Tourangeau and Mark Woolson

Hope your birthdays are great!

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LAST POST

We are pleased there is nothing to report this month

We Will Remember Them

IN MEMORIUM

Ian Henderson, Associate Member

72 yrs. Died July 21, 2022

[Ian Keith Henderson Obituary \(tributearchive.com\)](https://tributearchive.com/obituary/ian-keith-henderson)

Virtual Wall of Honour

Honour and remember Canada's Veterans through the Legion's Virtual Wall of Honour and Remembrance.

The Royal Canadian Legion's Virtual Wall of Honour and Remembrance is a photo montage of passed Canadian Veterans who served and sacrificed for the freedoms we enjoy today.

Submit a photo to the Virtual Wall of Honour and Remembrance

As a way to honour and remember relatives and friends who have served Canada, Canadians are invited to forward a photograph of a deceased Veteran to Dominion Command to be displayed on large video screens located near the National War Memorial and shown prior to the start of the Remembrance Day Ceremony held on November 11th.

Deceased Canadian Veterans (including those who were part of the Merchant Navy and Ferry Command), whose death was attributable to any cause, can be part of the Virtual Wall of Honour.

Only one submission is required, as the photograph will continue to be included on the Virtual Wall of Honour in all subsequent years. Please do not re-submit a photo for the same person.

- High resolution electronic files (the quality of the image submitted dictates the quality of the image displayed)
- Include the Veteran's name, years of service, element or force, regiment/unit to which the departed belonged
- One image for each honoured Veteran will be used

Submissions for the 2023 Virtual Wall of Honour and Remembrance need to be received by October 20, 2023. Later submissions will be included in the 2024 edition.

Send photos to: remember@legion.ca

FEBRUARY



| <i>Sun</i> | <i>Mon</i> | <i>Tues</i> | <i>Wed</i> | <i>Thu</i> | <i>Fri</i> | <i>Sat</i> |
|--|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 29 OPEN 12-8 <i>"The Bunker"</i> <i>Open 12-7pm</i> Football Specials | 30 Open 12-10 <i>"The Bunker"</i> <i>Open 12-7pm</i> Sr Dinner Dance 3-7 POOL League | 31 Open 12-10 <i>"The Bunker"</i> <i>Open 12-7pm</i> Pepper 1pm | 1 Open 12-10 <i>"The Bunker"</i> <i>Open 12-7pm</i> Pepper 1pm CADETS Men's Darts | 2 Ground Hog Day Open 12-10 <i>"The Bunker"</i> <i>Open 12-8pm</i> POOL Luck of Draw | 3 Open 12-10 <i>"The Bunker"</i> <i>Open 12-8pm</i> | 4 Open 12-10 <i>"The Bunker"</i> <i>Open 12-8pm</i> Dart Night 1 |
| 5 OPEN 10-7 BRUNCH 10-1PM <i>"The Bunker"</i> <i>Open 10-7pm</i> Cribbage 1pm Football Specials | 6 OPEN 12-10 Open 12-10 <i>"The Bunker"</i> <i>Open 12-7pm</i> Sr Dinner Dance 3-7 POOL League | 7 Open 12-10 <i>No Bunker today</i> Pepper 1pm Spaghetti Dinner 4:30-6:30PM | 8 Open 12-10 <i>"The Bunker"</i> <i>Open 12-7pm</i> Pepper 1pm CADETS Men's Darts | 9 Open 12-10 <i>"The Bunker"</i> <i>Open 12-8pm</i> POOL Luck of Draw | 10 Open 12-10 <i>"The Bunker"</i> <i>Open 12-8pm</i> Mixed Darts Entertainment <i>Dan Alice</i> | 11 Open 12-10 <i>"The Bunker"</i> <i>Open 12-8pm</i> <i>Valentine's</i> <i>Dinner Dance</i> Dart Night 2 |
| 12 OPEN 12-? <i>"The Bunker"</i> <i>Open 12-7pm</i> Cribbage 1pm SUPER BOWL Football Specials | 13 Open 12-10 <i>"The Bunker"</i> <i>Open 12-7pm</i> Sr Dinner Dance 3-7 POOL League | 14 Open 12-10 <i>"The Bunker"</i> <i>Open 12-3pm</i> Pepper 1pm | 15 Open 12-10 <i>"The Bunker"</i> <i>Open 12-7pm</i> Pepper 1pm Men's Darts CADETS WVMSC Meeting Br 644 7:30 | 16 Open 12-10 <i>"The Bunker"</i> <i>Open 12-8pm</i> POOL Luck of Draw | 17 Open 12-10 <i>"The Bunker"</i> <i>Open 12-8pm</i> Entertainment <i>Brand X 2.0</i> | 18 Open 12-10 <i>"The Bunker"</i> <i>Open 12-8pm</i> Dart Night 1 |
| 19 OPEN 12-7 <i>"The Bunker"</i> <i>Open 12-6pm</i> Cribbage 1pm | 20 Open 12-10 <i>"The Bunker"</i> <i>Open 12-7pm</i> Sr Dinner Dance 3-7 POOL League | 21 Open 12-10 Exec Mtg 10am <i>"The Bunker"</i> <i>Open 12-7pm</i> Pepper 1pm | 22 Open 12-10 <i>"The Bunker"</i> <i>Open 12-7pm</i> Pepper 1pm CADETS Men's Darts | 23 Open 12-10 <i>"The Bunker"</i> <i>Open 12-8pm</i> POOL Luck of Draw | 24 Open 12-10 <i>"The Bunker"</i> <i>Open 12-8pm</i> <i>Mardi Gras</i> Mixed Darts | 25 Open 12-6 <i>"The Bunker"</i> <i>Open 12-8pm</i> Dart Night 2 |
| 26 OPEN 12-7 <i>"The Bunker"</i> <i>Open 12-7pm</i> Cribbage 1pm | 27 Open 12-10 <i>"The Bunker"</i> <i>Open 12-7pm</i> Sr Dinner Dance 3-7 POOL League | 28 Open 12-7 <i>"The Bunker"</i> <i>Open 12-7pm</i> Pepper 1pm Members Mtg 7PM | Mar 1 Open 12-7 <i>"The Bunker"</i> <i>Open 12-7pm</i> Pepper 1pm Men's Darts | 2 Open 12-7 <i>"The Bunker"</i> <i>Open 12-8pm</i> POOL Luck of Draw | 3 Open 12-7 <i>"The Bunker"</i> <i>Open 12-7pm</i> | 4 Open 12-10 <i>"The Bunker"</i> <i>Open 12-8pm</i> Dart Night 1 |