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We are thrilled to announce Branch 594 now has 500 Members!

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Tom's Humour Page

(I work at a restaurant outside a national park. Our busiest season is the fall, when the leaves change.)

Me: "[Restaurant], how may I help you?"

Caller: "Yes, are you outside?"

Me: "No, ma'am, I'm in an office. Is there anything I can do for you?"

Caller: "Well, do you know when the leaves change out there?"

Me: "Yes, they're changing now. They're very beautiful."

Caller: "What?! We missed it!"

Me: "No, ma'am, the leaves aren't done changing." Caller: "Well, we live in New York and won't be able to make it there today. What day do they change back?"

Me: "Um... they don't change back. They fall, like the season."

Caller: "Well, when do you put them back on the tree?"

Me: *gives up* "Er... 'Put The Leaves Back On The Trees' Dav?"

Caller: "Oh, thank you!"

My wife just left me. She says life revolves around football and she's sick of it.

I'm quite upset. We were together for 7 seasons.

I found a used football in a second hand store...

I picked it up and took it to the counter.

"How much is this?" I asked

"That'll be \$5" said the owner. "Would you like me to pump it up for you?"

"Of course, thanks a lot!" I replied.

So, he got a small pump from under the counter and in a few seconds the ball was as good as new. "Ok, all done" he said. "That'll be \$10 please". "\$10!!!??!!" I replied. "But you said \$5 just now". He looked up and said "Sorry. Inflation".

Q: Did you hear about the Packer fan that died at a pie eating contest? A: The cow kicked him in the head!

Q: How do you know the Illinois State Police are seriously enforcing the Speed Limits into Chicago. A: For the first offense, they give you two Chicago Bears tickets. If you get stopped a second time, they make you use them.

A first grade teacher explains to her class that she is a New England Patriots fan. She asks her students to raise their hands if they are Pats fans, too. Not really knowing what being a Pats fan meant, but wanting to be liked by their teacher, the students' hands flew into the air. There was, however, one exception. Lucas was not going along with the crowd. The teacher asked him why he had decided to be different. "Because I'm not a Patriots fan" he said. "Then," asks the teacher, "what are you?" "I'm an Indianapolis Colts fan," boasts the little boy. The teacher asks Lucas why he is a Colts fan. "Well, my dad and mom are Colts fans, so I'm a Colts fan, too" he responds. "That's no reason," the teacher says. "What if your mom was a moron, and your dad was an idiot. What would you be then?" Lucas smiles and says, "Then I'd be a New England Patriots fan."

Q: What does a Detroit Lions fan do when his team has won the Super Bowl? A: He turns off the PlayStation 3.

My granddaughter's husband was complaining about how **spellcheck** changes the meaning of e-mails when an Air Force officer told him this story: He'd sent a message to 300 of his personnel addressed to "Dear Sirs and Ma'ams." It was received as "Dear Sirs and Mamas."—

During World War II, my father often found himself stuck with KP duty. One day, convinced he could improve things, he told the head cook, "If you give me a paring knife, I could peel these potatoes faster." The cook turned slowly to my father and said, "Son, you're in the Army. You have plenty of time."

An off-duty soldier took a train. When the train reached its first stop, a general walked in, and the soldier stood up. The General said, "At ease soldier, sit down." The train reached its second stop, again the soldier stood up, and the General once again said, "At ease soldier, sit down." When the train reached its third stop, again, the soldier stood up. This time, the General looked at him and said, "You don't have to salute every time we reach a stop." The soldier replied, "I want to get off, I missed my stop 2 stations ago."

A reporter is talking to a 17-year-old hockey player. The reporter is asking the kid questions and the coach walks by and says "tell them what you know kid it won't take very long." The kid looks back at the coach and says, "I'll tell them what we both know it won't take any longer."

PRESIDENTS REPORT

Dear Comrades:

My thanks to the Legion Week and Remembrance Committee for planning and conducting two great short Remembrance Services on Monday, 18 September 2023, at Victoria and Greenlawn Cemeteries. We finished the week with an excellent Veterans Recognition Dinner from 4-7 pm on Sunday, 24 September 2023.

Our Entertainment for the Fall and Winter has kicked off well. Entertainment on Friday nights during the Fish Fry has been growing. Combine this with a dinner and dance on Saturday, 23 September, rocking to the Band British 66. Remember that song. . . "Oh what a night" – and it was great! Keep up the good work - Entertainment Committee. Oktoberfest, 13 October 2023, with a band and polka music during the band breaks; and a great German buffet dinner that night. Tickets will be out soon at the bar! Please support.



You will see the detailed Sports report in the newsletter. I just want to thank Wayne Fortin and his Sports Committee for planning a very busy and exciting sports plan for the late Summer, Fall, and winter schedule. My thanks also to Randy Soulliere and his planning team in conducting another great Branch 594 Golf Tournament and fundraiser for over 80 golfers.

Our Poppy Campaign kicks off on the last Friday of October. We need all members to prepare themselves to sign up for shifts to pin poppies. Sign- up boards will be in the main hallway and I encourage all to at least do a 2- hour shift. It is so gratifying to see how Canadians support this worthy cause of raising awareness and support for our Veterans and serving members. Let's not forget that with the funds we raise, we also support youth programs and other critical organizations.

Support your Branch; attend functions; enjoy our kitchen; and recruit more members. We all should be proud of our "Legion at the Crossroads – Branch 594".

Always remember those serving, our Veterans, and our First Responders! Lest We Forget – Lest We Forget!

Comrade Morris President RCL Branch 594

HOSPITAL

We request that members or their families contact Linda Ross at the branch if you are hospitalized and would like us to post your name and possible visitation or flowers.

Branch Pastor, Rev. *Catherine (Cathy) Collins*-Barker our Branch Chaplain 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.

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 Sept 26th, we have a Membership of 495

Consisting of: Life 6, Ordinary 105, Associate 275, Affiliate Voting 106 and Affiliate Non-Voting 3

EARLY BIRD DRAW

The official start of the 2024 Early Bird Draw is September 1st.

All those who have paid their 2024 dues will have their names entered into a draw for their 2025 membership. Draws will be early October, November, and December.

DRAW WINNER #1 ______ (114 entries)

2024 Dues: \$55.00 per person at Branch or Online. Retired Members \$50 per person, at Branch Only!

New Members

A Big Legion WELCOME to our newest members accepted by the executive and our membership!

ORDINARY: Kenneth M Miller & Carmelo Paonessa ASSOCIATE: James D Routley & Diana Woodman,



Branch 594



Sworn in at the September Membership meeting.

Ordinary: Charlene Bagshaw, Chase Chance, Ken Miller and Christian Noel

Associate: Karen Clark-Lauzon, Diane Haug, Rob Lauzon, Pierre Morneau, James Routley, Linda Sider,
Pauline Smith, Richard St Pierre and Diana Woodman

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 month of August 2023 saw a small financial loss for the month. This was due to the cost of the grease interceptor and other repairs that needed to be done during the month. That project is behind us and events are keeping us busy again!

October is here and Sports, new and old, are in full swing so I'm looking for financial results in favour of the Branch again.

Yours in Comradeship, John Antaya, Treasurer

FINANCE COMMITTEE

We have applied for another "New Horizons for Seniors" grant from the federal government. There are several projects around the branch that we would like to have completed so we are hopeful for a successful application. Grant recipients will be announced in January 2024.

Our committee is presently reviewing four quotations that we received for snow plowing and salting for the 2023-24 winter season. This is a huge annual expense for the branch so we tendered this work to area companies to get the best deal we can.

We were thrilled to receive \$5,610.20 as the proceeds from the annual branch golf tournament, which is twice as much profit as last year. These funds will be deposited into our Building Fund account for future capital improvements. Well done to our Golf Tournament Committee and thanks to our golfers for supporting this fund-raising endeavor.

Jim McGhie, Finance Committee Chair

FINANCIAL REVIEW COMMITTEE

The branch Financial Review Committee consisting of James Sparrow, Doreen Eansor and Peggy Caradonna met on Sept 29th and did a thorough review of the branch finances for the fiscal year ending May 31, 2023.

James Sparrow, Chair Financial Review Committee

Legion Week, Veterans Annual Dinner, and Remembrance

Legion week has come and gone for another year. Below is a brief summary of Branch 594 events.

Friday September 15th

Branch 594, volunteers installed approximately 1000 Canadian Flags at Veterans headstones at Victoria and Greenlawn Memorial Cemeteries. They were removed Sept 25th. Thanks to all who helped.

Monday September 18th

Memorial services at Victoria Memorial Cemetery and Greenlawn Memorial Cemetery were held to honour the Veterans that are interned at each location. Thank you Rev Stan



Fraser for leading these services as Rev Catherine Collins-Barker was called away on family matters.

Friday September 22nd

Branch 594 Fish Fry and entertainment by Dan Alice.

Saturday September 23rd

Branch 594 Member and Community Appreciation dinner dance with British Beat 66.

Sunday Sept 24th

Branch 594 2023 Veterans Appreciation Dinner. Branch Veterans and guests enjoyed an early dinner and entertainment again this year. We are already looking forward to our next Veterans and current serving CAF members, possibly in April 2024!

Remembrance

Our annual Branch Remembrance Day will be held on Sunday November 5th.

More information will be posted on our website closer to the event.

Comrade Konrad Boehler, Chair of: Legion Week, Veterans Appreciation Dinner & Remembrance

PROPERTY

OUTDOOR

We are still looking for a few members to assist with the Gardening and Weeding at the Branch. We have the tools. Also looking for some Members to operate our Riding Lawn Mower to cut the Grass when necessary.

PARKING

We had parking lot lines repainted last month and it looks great. Additional lines were painted at the entrances to identify them better. The Handicap Parking spaces were repainted front and back as well.

SNOW & SALTING

We have requested and are reviewing proposals to look after snow removal and salting of our parking lot and sidewalks. Our Finance Committee will be making their recommendation this month.

Please contact Larry Williams or put your name on a piece of Paper and give it one of our Bartenders who will forward it to me.

Com Larry Williams, Property Chair

Youth Education & Bursaries

Poster & Literary

The 2023 Poster and Literary contest information has been emailed to many of our 28 schools in our area. Most details are available on the Provincial Command website, Youth Education Kit (legion.ca). Deadline for entries is Nov 15th, 2023.

Note this competition is open to ALL elementary and secondary school students!

Branch Bursary

Two additional applications were approved making a total of Twenty-One (21) \$750 branch bursaries have been approved.

Provincial Bursary The 2024 details are now on the www.legion.on.ca website.

RCL Br 594 Youth Education & Bursary Committees: Tom Friesen (chair), Patti Brause, Gerry Ciurysek, Jim McGhie, Dave Woodman & Morris Brause.

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Date September 29th, 2023.

The Royal Canadian Legion will never forget the sacrifices of our men and women who answered the call made by our government.

To ensure that our youth learn Canadian and World history the Legion sponsors annual Poster and Literary, Video, and Public Speaking contests for ALL primary and secondary school students.

This year "Home School" students are welcome to compete too!

Poster and Literary Contest

The theme of both poster and literary contests are "Remembrance".

The competition starts at the Branch level. The schools our Branch 594 are responsible for are in LaSalle, South Windsor and Western Tecumseh.

Cash prizes are awarded to the top three entrants in each category and age group.

The first-place winners have their submissions entered in the "Zone" competition (Windsor LaSalle & Tecumseh) then the first-place zone winners get judged at the "District" level (Southwestern Ontario). The "District" winners proceed to "Provincial", and the "Provincial" winners are entered into the "National" contest. There are cash prizes that increase in value at each step.

We request that your school accept this challenge and encourage your students to enter by our **November 15th deadline** (many schools post the students creations around November 11th, Remembrance Day).

Note there are two (2) entry forms to be signed by the students and their parents to cover National and Provincial requirements. The Provincial Contest Entry Registration form is on the back of this page.

The Video Contest is offered by our Provincial Command and the online entry the deadline is December 15th.

Details regarding the **Public Speaking Competition** will be sent out in January.

A wide variety of contest information is available at

Link: Youth Programs (legion.ca)

Webb address: https://www.on.legion.ca/remembrance/youth-programs **Look under NATIONAL YOUTH REMEMBRANCE CONTESTS**

If you have questions, please email me and we will get you answers.

Tom Friesen (tomfriesen57@gmail.com) Chair, Youth Education Committee

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

We will remember them!





KITCHEN REPORT

The kitchen is open on Sundays again. Operating hours are 12 noon – 6pm on Sundays.

Now offering specials on Sundays to coincide with the beer specials during the NFL Sunday season. Come and join us for the NFL games.

Now that the fall weather has come, we are seeing many event bookings taking place.

We have many upcoming Legion events coming up including Octoberfest on Friday October 13th as well as our Annual New Year's Eve Dinner and Dance with the band "The Stiff Joints.

Just a reminder that the Bunker offers takeout services as well as Catering services for your outside events.

Give Billie or Tricia a call and see what they can do for you.

Thanks to all for your support.

Comrades Randy Soulliere and Jim McGhie. Co-Kitchen Convenors

Bunker Kitchen Contact Tricia LaBelle at email: thebunkerkitchen@gmail.com phone: 519-9 69-0551



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Sundays Noon till 6pm Please Call for Special Events

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WAYS & MEANS

Tuesday September 12th was the return of our ALL YOU CAN EAT spaghetti dinners!

In September our Ways and Means volunteers served 255 guests and made approx. \$1,700.00 helping cover the many Branch expenses!

Dinners are served from 4:30 till 6:30 pm for Dine In and Take Out too!

Note we offer vegetarian and vegan options on request too! Bring your friends and family.

The Bunker will be closed on Spaghetti Tuesdays (they deserve a day off now and then).

Veronica Friesen, Ways & Means Chair



WEBSITELots of information on www.rcl594.com

Brian Robinson, webmaster

SPORTS

LEGION SPORTS

The Provincial Golf Tournament, hosted by Essex Branch 201, was held on Saturday Sept 9th at Roseland. A Seniors team from Legion Branch 259 Listowel, won the tournament and the honour of hosting the 2025 Provincial Golf Tournament.

DISTRICT A

The **District Sports** Meeting scheduled for Sat Sept 30th has been postponed. Once the District Dates and locations are determined the **Zone** tournaments can be planned.

BRANCH SPORTS

Our Annual Branch 594 Legion golf fun day was held on Sunday September 10th. Thanks to all that supported this event. The 2024 Branch tournament has been tentatively booked at Belleview on Sunday Sept 8th. More detail to follow closer to the event.

FALL - WINTER BRANCH SPORTS

Darts: Wednesday Night Men's League Friday Night Mixed League Saturday Night 1 League Saturday Night 2 League

Pool: Monday Men's League

Thursday Night Luck of the Draw Play

New Sports:

Darts: Thursday Night Luck of Draw Darts Play. So far this has been well received. Starts at 7:00pm

Cards: Monday Night Euchre Every other Monday beginning Sept. 25th
Monday Night Cribbage Every other Monday Beginning Oct. 2nd

- Show up between 6:30 and 6:45 so play can begin by 7:00.

Cornhole: Every Tuesday Night Luck Of Draw beginning Sept. 26th

- Show up between 6:30 and 6:45 so play can begin by 7:00.

Wayne Fortin, Branch 594 Sports Officer.



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The Cadet Corps recruiting campaign was very successful. We now have a full platoon of new members that have joined. The Cadets are holding an Open House on Wednesday Oct 4th from 6:30-9:00pm here at the Legion. They are still accepting new members ages 12-18 years. All are welcome.

We are looking forward to another successful training year.

Thank you for your ongoing support of our Cadet Corps. Jim McGhie, Cadet Liaison, 519-979-8904, mcghie@mnsi.net



LAST MEETING

The first item for discussion was the seniors' dinner dance.

Attendance has been a little over 100, most nights.

Discussions were held about the meals cooling off early so plates will be prewarmed.

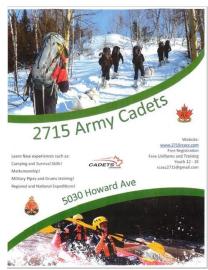
We have Sponsors scheduled from Kensington Court and Seasons for October through December.

We decided to keep the free dinner raffle to every other week.

There will be a Halloween Dance on October 30th with prizes for the best costume.

The date for the Christmas dinner dance has been set for December 18, 2023. The next meeting is scheduled for late October.

We look forward to your views, wishes and advice. If you wish to join the committee, please contact Sue or Beth



Thanksgiving at the Seniors Dance October 9, 2023 3 pm - 7 pm



Where? RCL Branch 594 5030 Howard Ave Oldcastle / Tecumseh

Cost: \$15 for Dinner and Dance Dance only: \$5

Lottery Committee

Our Attendance Draws (Loonie-Toonie) are now "Progressive Raffles."

The Loonie, Toonie membership draw is alive and well.

The draw times have changed as follows:

- -Daily (Loonie) Draw will happen shortly after we open for business and there are 2 people present. One to draw the token and the other to witness.
- -Weekly (Toonie) Draw will happen shortly after we open for business on Saturday and there are 2 people present. One to draw the token and the other to witness.
- -These changes are to comply with our licensing authority (the Town of Tecumseh).

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

The Lottery License for the above draws was renewed for one year starting July 1, 2023

Beth Abson Lottery Chair

BAR REPORT

With October here now, we welcome back our sports leagues as well as NFL football. Follow along on our website for beer specials on Sundays as well as kitchen specials during the NFL season. The kitchen is now open on Sundays again. Their operating hours will be from 12 noon to 6 pm on Sundays and their regular hours during the week.

Our annual Legion golf fun day was held on Sunday September 10th at Belleview golf course. The weather was great, and we ended with 80 golfers. Many thanks go out to all the golfers for joining up to play as well as many thanks to our sponsors, those that donated to our prize table, our kitchen staff as well as our bar staff and to Tom Friesen and Tom Boroski for their help in organizing this day. Special thanks to Archie Neilson for volunteering at our registration table and signing everyone in as well as to Janet Ciurysek for monitoring the 7th hole until every golfer passed through while trying for the hole in one. Our golf tournament this year raised a total of \$5,610.20 after all expenses have been paid. I have attached a separate report showing the revenue and expenses. Thanks again to all that helped make this a great day.

Sponsors

Comrade Randy Soulliere, Bar Officer

Branch Members Celebrating OCTOBER Birthdays

Robert Adair, Joseph Belanger, Morris Brause, Robert Brouyette, Peter Brown, Elizabeth Burrill, Harry Delisle, John Demitroff, Patrick Dennis, Andrew Drouillard, Sheila Fenton, Larry Friesen, James Gignac, Lynn Gillis, Morgan Goddard, James Greaves, Stephen Harris, Derek Hartley, Ronald Holden, Charles Hotham, James Kales, Timothy Killop, Jane Lanoue,

Robert Maclean, Robert McFarlane, Angelo Minato, Jeff Morrell Sr, Archie Neilson, Patricia Pawluchyk, Larry Peltier, Christopher Ricard, Armand Rock, Janet Romano, Gregory Rossyan, Gregory Vernon Shepley, Elizabeth Soulliere, Charles Spoiala, Richard Douglas St Pierre, Kenneth Stephens, Sean Stroud, Gerald Thompson, Thomas Thorburn, Byron Lee Towns, Mike Virga, Thomas Walker, Jeffrey Webb, Stephen Whan and Richard Zangari

Hope your birthdays are great!

CMHA

On Sunday, September 24th, 2023, the SW Ontario Facilitator for Respect Forum had the honour to be a

guest speaker at the annual Canadian Mental Health Association walk for Suicide Prevention. He spoke about his successful journey conquering PTSD. He praised the work of Respect Canada.org where they conduct forums twice a year across Canada to network with all agencies, Peer Support groups, VAC, Police - EMS- Fire and Rescue Associations, CMHA, and many other agencies. The focus is to learn from each other and advance new methods and support successful counselling and support for our First Responder personnel suffering from PTSD. We also focus on families, Outreach to Women with specific needs in this area, and our Indigenous peoples across this nation.

Morris Brause is the SW Ontario Facilitator and has three forums every six months located in: Windsor; Chatham-Leamington Cities; and in London.



Despite his permanent

disabilities suffered while serving in Afghanistan, he will find time and a way to walk, talk, and assist people and organizations supporting Serving Members, Veterans, and all personnel proudly serving our communities in the Police Services, EMS, and Fire and Rescue Services in improving methodologies and approaches with PTSD Counselling and success in getting back to work, preparing for retirement, or just surviving day to day.

LEST WE FORGET!

Morris

ENTERTAINMENT & EVENTS PROGRAM

Com Bob Hart, Entertainment Chair

British Beat 66 was amazing! We had way more people than anticipated so we have decided to sell DINNER TICKETS in ADVANCE ONLY for the OCTOBERFEST.

A GREAT LINEUP has been planned for October!!!

Friday October 6th is "Acoustic Classics".

Friday October 13th "Octoberfest", "The Delvitos & Polka Terry"

Friday September 20th is "All About Bev"

Friday September 29th is Brand X 2.0









ALL ABOUT BEV

Royal Canadian Legion Metropolitan Br 594 5030 Howard Ave 519-969-0551 rcl594.com FRIDAY Oct 20th 6-9:00PM

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Friday Oct 27th 6-9pm











Come for our Great Food and Stay for Terrific Entertainment Metropolitan Branch 594, 5030 Howard Ave, Tecumseh

519-969-0551 rcl594.com-



Join the

Colour Party

A chance to represent your Legion.
Join the team, maybe meet some new friends, learn a new skill, and have some fun.

Contact Dave Woodman, <u>dfwoodman@gmail.com</u> 519-566-8745

All are welcome. No experience required.

PUBLIC RELATIONS

Branch Events, Membership, Provincial & Dominion are now posted in the foyer in the 3 glass doored cases where the "library" was located.

The Lending Library is still in the foyer but across the hall.

Matt Beasley, Public Relations Officer

LAST POST

Bernard Cote

August 10, 2023. 94 years.
Korean War Veteran 2 Btln. PPCLI
31 years of Legion Membership
https://windsorchapel.com/tribute/details/12218/Bernard-Cote/obituary.html



WINDSOR VETERANS MEMORIAL SERVICE COMMITTEE

Funeral Services are being performed at the request of the Veteran's family through the funeral homes.

From June 1^{st,} 2023, until Sept 30th, we have lost: 25 Veterans, 20 Comrades & have performed at 6 funeral services.

Next meeting is Wednesday Oct. 18th at Legion Branch 255

Note that Legionnaires are welcomed / encouraged to attend funeral services. Most service dates and times are included in obituaries in Windsor Star and online.

Information provided by Roger & Dot Deguire

Ron Bisnaire, Branch 594 Liaison to WVMSC



At our September General Meeting our Membership approved the following donations to be made at the District A Fall Convention being held Oct 13-15 in Sarnia.

Ontario Command - Services Dog Program (\$5k) Ontario Command - LEAVE THE STREETS BEHIND (Homeless Veterans) (\$5k) District "A" Hospital Fund (\$3.5k) District "A" Youth Education Fund (\$3.5k) Ontario Command – Bursary Fund (\$3.5k) Ontario Command – Charitable Foundation (\$3.5k) Ontario Command – Poppy Fund (\$3.5k) Dominion Command – Royal Commonwealth Ex-Services League (\$3.5k)

Friday Oct. 27, 2023, is the beginning of this year's Poppy Campaign.

Starting Mon. Oct. 2, 2023, the Sign-up Sheets for pinning Poppies at Costco & Walmart will be going up on the easels just outside of the door by Hall "A".

Please look it over & sign up. Costco has a table set-up & Walmart is the traditional Poppy Pinning Box.

This year we will try "Signing up Online" on our website.

Go to WWW.RCL594.Com & follow the online instructions.

This too will go online starting Mon. Oct. 2, 2023.

Any concerns please contact Gerry Ciurysek @ 519-817-3604; if there's no answer, please leave a message. Regards

Gerry Ciurysek, Br 594 Poppy Chair

OCTOBER					Logio	
Sun	Mon	Tues	We	Thu	_{Fr} Legio	
1 OPEN 12-7	Open 12-10	3 Open 12-10	4 Respect Forum	5 Open 12-10	6 Open 1-10 "The Bunker"	7 Open 12-10 "The Bunker"
"The Bunker" OPEN 12-6PM	Sr Dinner Dance 3-7	"The Bunker" Open 12-7pm	Open 12-10 "The Bunker"	"The Bunker" Open 12-8pm	Open 11-8pm	Open 12-7pm
FOOTBALL SUNDAY	CAR SHOW 3:30-7:00PM POOL League Cribbage	Pepper	Open 12-7pm CADETS Mens Darts	Luck of Draw POOL & DARTS	Entertainment Acoustic Classics 6-9pm Mixed Darts 7-10pm	DART NIGHT 1
9	9	10	11	12	13	14
Thanksgiving	Open 12-10	Open 12-10	Open 12-10	Open 12-10	Open 12-10	Open 12-10
CLOSED	Sr Halloween Dinner Dance 3-7	"The Bunker" CLOSED	"The Bunker" Open 12-7pm	"The Bunker" Open 12-8pm	"The Bunker" Open 12-8pm	"The Bunker" Open 12-7pm
		Pepper	CADETS	Luck of Draw POOL &	Octoberfest	DART NIGHT 2
	POOL League Euchre	ALL YOU CAN EAT SPAGHETTI 4:30-6:30	Mens Darts	DARTS	Delvito's too!	
15 OPEN 12-7	16 Open 12-10	17 Exec Mtg	18 Open 12-10	19 Open 12-10	20 Open 12-10	21 Open 12-10
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	Cribbage	Pepper	WVMSC Meeting Br 255 7:30		Mixed Darts 7-10pm	
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		Membership Mtg 7pm				
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	POOL League Cribbage				6-9pm	