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NEWSLETTER

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Club Room Hours Effective September 13' 2017

Sunday 1:00 pm-6:00 pm Monday to Thursday 11:00 am-10:00 pm Friday 11:00 am-12:00 pm;

Hall Rentals and Catering available during construction .

We're open as usual during construction. Rent our Hall.

Catering available through Ladies Auxiliary

Rent the hall for Receptions, Weddings & Private Functions. The hall is air conditioned and wheelchair accessible.

Hall Rentals Contact: <u>Shelly Thompson</u> 905-372-6554 or email: hurricane488@ gmail.com

Catering Contact: Sue Poelstra 905-342-2087





President's Report for May 2018

This will be my last report. I wish to thank all those who served with me these past 3 years as officers and executives. It has been a bumpy ride. Many hard decisions had to be made. We increased the price of beer and liquor with every increase in price from the manufacturer, took out the draft beer pumps which showed after a 9 month study that the domestic brand lost \$500 in that time span, increased sundries prices which hadn't been looked at since 2013, saved several thousand dollars per year by going from an accountant to a bookkeeper and cut down on staff hours and hours of operations.

We have also had many fund raisers for the new building. Thank you Jo, Rod, Iris, Bob and Jenn.

Thank you to all the many volunteers over the years who came out to the many functions. We needed your support.

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As for our dealings with TVM, we had to get our lawyer involved on at least 3 occasions. 1. TVM told the LA that they were only getting a warming kitchen and not a full function kitchen. 2. When TVM balked at paying into our hands the \$475,000 mortgage for the parking lot. 3. The negotiation of the easement through Legion property for the condo and Legion sewer system which was supposed to go to Hibernia St. Our lawyer fees have been horrendous. All emails, meeting minutes, notes and documents with TVM since I have been President are on file in the office and are open to inspection by any member.

I don't have to tell the membership about the costly up keep of the building. In the past 4 days, we had water dropping from the ceiling in the kitchen and half the men's urinals in the club room are not working. The up keep is a bottomless pit. Let us hope we get across the road before the roof falls in.

As for the upcoming elections, the new administration will be responsible for laying the foundation for a smooth move across the road, logistical and financial, as the move is to take place in late summer or early fall of 2019. They will also have to come up new and innovative ways to make money to pay the bills of the new branch. As you all know, we will be losing our \$61,000 in rental fees when we move and will have to depend on money made at the bar and hall to pay the bills. There will be no more safety net of rental money to draw from. If we do not turn this financial ship around, in 3 to 4 years from moving over, Branch 133 COULD POSSIBLY BECOME Paddy O'Toole's Irish Pub or Pierre's Fine Dining.

I ask that as many members as possible to PLEASE come out and vote. Nominations will be open again, so if you have someone in mind that would make a good person to sit on the executive, ask their permission and nominate that person. The Branch is only as strong as its' membership support and over the past year at the general meetings, the support has been VERY UNDERWHELMING. You only get out what you put in.

THANK YOU again for giving me the PRIVILEGE of being your president for the past 3 years.

GOOD LUCK and BEST WISHES to the new administration.

LEST WE FORGET. LEST WE FORGET.

John Aitken

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First Vice-President's Report, May 2018

Dear Comrades

Thank you for the support you gave to me over the six years that I have served on the Executive. I wish you all the best in the coming years as the new Executive moves forward.

It is time to say goodbye and to let you know that when I look back over these years I can say that it has been a very rewarding experience and one that I am grateful for.

Two years as Sick and Visiting Chair; four years as Poppy Chair and two years as Chair of the Building Committee; never a dull or boring moment; thank you!

I am not a 'glass half full person'. These are exciting times. I look forward to volunteering and supporting our new Executive, helping to ensure that our Legion will be here to support Veterans and their families in years to come.

Yours in service, Iris Milne, 1st Vice President and Poppy Chair,

signing off.

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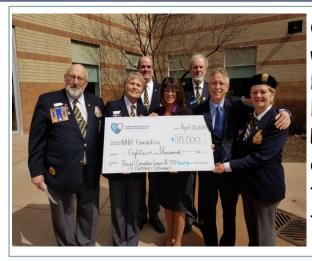




ATTENTION MEMBERS PARKING WILL CONTINUE TO BE AN ISSUE DURING CONSTRUCTION THERE'S 2 HOUR FREE PARKING AT MUNICIPAL LOT 2 ON THE NORTH EAST CORNER OF HIBERNIA AND ALBERT STREETS DURING THE WEEK

FROM 8 AM TO 6 PM AFTER 6 PM. AND ON WEEKENDS THIS PARKING IS FREE!





On April 26th, a cheque for \$18,000 was presented to Northumberland Hills Hospital. Eight thousand dollars was contributed by the Ontario Provincial Command Branches and Ladies Auxiliaries Charitable Foundation. Ten thousand was contributed from Cobourg Legion's Poppy Fund.

Past President's Report

Thank you to all the amazing volunteers that helped with the yard sale. The weather was ok first thing when we opened and then as you all know it got really bad but we still brought in \$995. Thank you to all that donated, worked and bought. We sorted the left over items and have put some things aside for another Yard Sale on June 23, weather permitting. We will hold it on the grass just outside the shed, this will cut back on all the carrying back inside. We also took items to the local thrift shops.

A Silent Auction will be set up in the Eva Taylor Room, Friday-May 11 at noon, to start the bids and will close, Saturday-May 12 at 4 pm. At this time we will close off the bids on the Budweiser & Keith's Beer Taps, so you still have time to get in on the bidding.

MEMBERSHIP: As you know I have been the overseer for the membership office but all the work has been done by Kathy & Shane MacLean. A big thank you to them on implementing the New Membership Program on the computer. I would also like to thank Gerri Chaisse, who helped out in the office upstairs, wherever she was needed.

HONOURS & AWARDS: If you are due a years of service pin please call me or leave a message in the Membership Office mail slot and we can arrange a time to present it to you.

My heartfelt thanks goes out to each and every one of you that over the last six years, (3 as President and 3 as past president) have been there to support me in some way. I will still volunteer and I know that you will give your support to the new officers & executive.

Respectfully Submitted

Josephine Upton

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Did You Know?

100 Years Ago

May 24-1918– Canadian women (except status Indians) obtain the right to vote in federal elections (even if they did not yet have the right to vote in provincial elections); some limited women's suffrage had been granted the year earlier. Status Indians gained federal suffrage in 1960

Source: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/1918_in_Canada

MISSILE FORMAT

In 2017 and subsequent years the Executive looked at and implemented ways to reduce costs. One of the measures introduced - reduce the size of the Missile and improve the format. There were several advertisements included that had not been bringing in money for the Legion in years. Normalee and myself contacted these advertisers and asked if they would like to continue to promote in the Missile, for a price. They chose to discontinue.

The following measures were implemented:

- 1. No Missile produced in July and August.
- 2. Omit table of contents
- 3. Print the list of Legion, Ladies Auxiliary, over 55 club officers twice a year, after the election or a change of officers and in the September issue. All contact information (phone numbers and email addresses) are to be included in the articles submitted.
- Hall rental and catering information was to be clearly presented and include the contact information.
- 5. The events calendar was to be maintained.

Normalee has done an excellent job producing the Missile and won well deserved recogntion for the format she created. Bravo Normalee!

Respectfully Submitted, Iris Milne irismilne46@gmail.com 905-269-0489





Loonie Loonie Dart

Tournament to raise funds for the Building Fund.

A dollar to play and a dollar for the Building Fund. These dart tournaments take place on 2 Sundays each month. Registration at noon, play starts at 1.

For more information contact Rod Ingersoll 416—618-6266 <u>rod@ingersollpetroleum.ca</u>

Sick & Visiting

Jeananne Booth had a visit to hospital and is now at home recuperating.

Thoughts and prayers to those that are shut in. Condolences to all those that have lost a loved one.

Yours in comradeship,

Judy Email:judeelliott51@icloud.com

Home: 905-372-9666 or Cell: 905-269-6057

Veteran's Service Officer

For information or assistance with the Department of Veterans Affairs in regard to entitlement to any Disability Pension, Pension applications, re-assessment, VIP Services & Survivor Benefits please contact me.

Rod Ingersoll Branch Service Officer 416-618-6266 rod@ingersollpetroleum.ca

Save The Dates

Ladies Auxiliary are hosting the following events

Sign Making -Thursday, May 31 @6:30 PM Cost=\$60.00



Strawberry Tea & Bazaar – Saturday June 17 1-3 PM

More news to follow

Project "Meat Pies" Accomplished

A few snaps of some of the ladies working to complete the meat pie project. It was a learning experience and successful fundraiser. Many thanks to the helping hands. You know who you are!









Ladies Auxiliary President's Message April 2018

General Meeting: May 7 @ 7:30 p.m. Executive Meeting: May 28 @ 7:30 p.m.

Hello Ladies

We had great success with our meat pie and pie sales over the past few months. Aprils really took off with 363 pies sold. Many thanks to those who dedicated much time to make it a successful fundraiser.

Ladies Auxiliary Zone Convention is Sunday May 6 & it would be wonderful to see you attend. If you are planning to attend please reach out to me for planning the luncheon.

Our Strawberry Tea is June 16! Please support our yearly fundraiser with selling Tea & Raffle tickets, provide bake goods and break out those knitting, crochet and crafts for our sales tables. Your presence at the Tea would be a great place to catch up with family, friends & neighbours over tea and delicious strawberry shortcake.

LA Newsletters were prepared by the Executive team for hand delivery to all LA members. Thanks you to the volunteers for hand delivery service.

Elections were completed however vacancies exist as follows; Officer of 1st Vice President, Recording Secretary and additional Convenors to assist in the monthly workload. These positions are of the utmost importance to be filled. Please step up ladies and know there are many people that will support you in the role if you've never had the opportunity to do so. It is a great way to meet & get to know your comrades.

Thanks to all the came out to our Paint Nite fundraiser. A fun time was had by all in attendance.

Our next fundraiser is May 31st. Our last sign making night in March was a huge success so it's happening again at a cost of \$60.00 a person.

In comradeship Jennifer Young-1st Vice President-Branch 133 Cobourg.

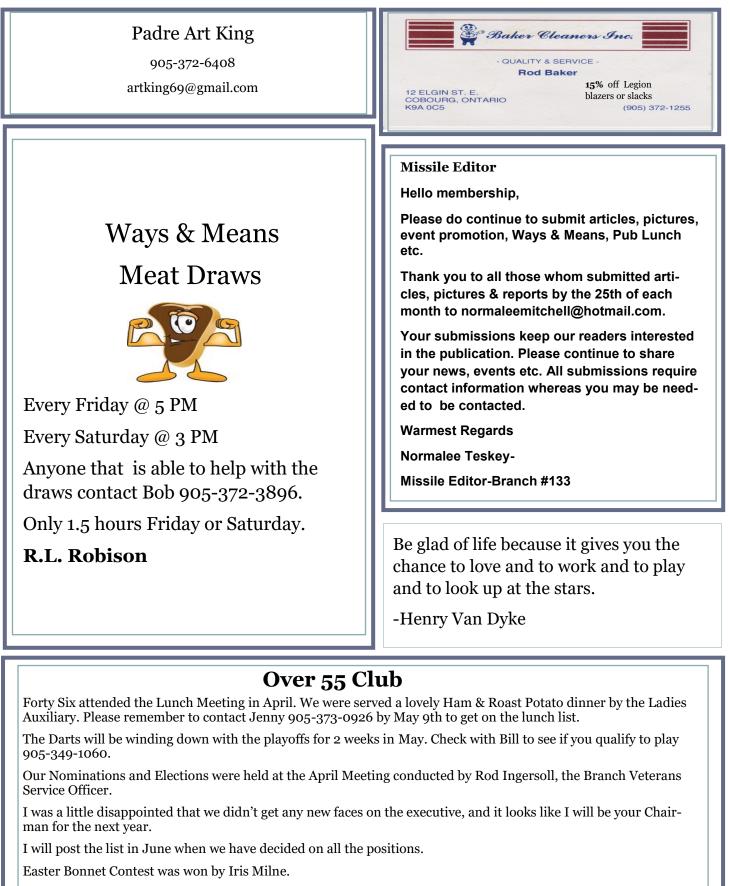
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LA Pub Luncheons

May 11-Turkey Ala King, homemade biscuits & salad



May 25-Cold salad plate with ham and deviled eggs



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Hoping this finds you all well and enjoying the spring weather.

Respectfully

Josephine 289-251-3478

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			Ladies Dart Dinner	Golden Laker Dinner	Friday Night Dart Dinner Meat Roll 5 PM	Meat Roll 3 PM
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
LA Zone Convention	LA General Mtg.			Br. Exec. Moonshot Euchre	Meat Roll 5 PM	Celebration of Life Silent Auction (Eva Taylor Room) Meat Roll 3 PM
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
Silent Auction			Over 55 Luncheon Senior Bowling	Br. Meeting	Meat Roll 5 PM	Meat Roll 3 PM
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
			Finley Estate Jewelry (10:30-6:00)	Finley Estate Jewelry (10:30-6:00) Moonshot Euchre	Meat Roll 5 PM	Meat Roll 3 PM
27	28	29	30	31		

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