

Branch #123 Waterford 2017-2019

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Treasurer	Anne McSherry
Sports/Bulletin House	Herb Taylor Garry Turner
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“They serve till Death! Why not we?”

**News Bulletin and Calendar
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President's Report

Spring is officially here and by the time you read this report, Easter will have come and gone.. I hope that the Easter Bunny was good to all and that you had a special time with family and friends.

As most of you know by now, the new Bar increases went into effect, as of March 1st. and this is of course to help offset the minimum wage increases that were put into effect on January 1st, 2018. We appreciate your support in this endeavour.

As we enter into April and May, our catered events are on the increase in the Hall, and in May the Pavilion events begin. This means more cooks required, as well as volunteers in the Kitchen and servers. If we don't call you and you would be willing to help, please call us.

This year, will mark the 101st Anniversary of Vimy. This was one of Canada's most significant battlefield victories and our flag will be lowered on April 9th. to mark that first day of battle so many years ago. It is so important, that we remember these courageous men and women, many of whom did not return from Battle.

In our Front Entrance, you will see a new wreath, standing beside the others. This wreath has been lent to us by the Norfolk Remembers Committee, to be displayed during our 90th Anniversary. On that wreath are 27 poppies, which represent each of the 27 "Rockford Road of Heroes" soldiers who served. Eleven of whom laid down their lives for our sake.

One year from the end of April, we will be holding our elections for the 2019-2021 term. I know that I may be sounding repetitious about this, but we must start looking towards the future and who might form the new Executive. Try to come out to our General Meetings and be part of the decision making. It is important that you give your opinion within a meeting environment and not out in the Clubroom, after the fact. Anyone intending to run for Office must have attended 50% of the meetings, within the last year.

Thank-you to all of our Volunteers. We couldn't exist without you. You are most appreciated.

President, Ruth Anne Massecar

Right to Privacy

Branch 123 is proud of our Members and shows it on the Membership Board in the Clubroom foyer.

As an individual it is your choice to have your name posted. Should you wish to have your name removed, please contact the Legion at 519-443-5123 and leave a message for Membership.

Nevada Report

The following are the recommended donations from the license, which began on March 13th.

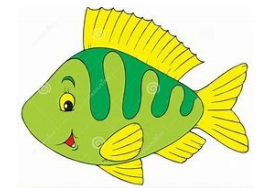
\$50	South Coast Special Needs
\$50	Simcoe C. A. S.
\$50	Waterford Minor Hockey
\$176	Seniors Foot Clinic
\$30	Waterford Public School public speaking plaque
\$1500	W.D.H.S. Music Student Trip
\$400	Waterford Cemetery – Flags for Veterans'Plot
\$200	Windham & District Optimist Club Sports League
\$1000	Paris Port Dover Pipe Band
\$1000	Dragon Boat Races &/or Cancer Society donation
\$250	Cadets Army Unit 2853 RCAC
\$500	C.A.S. Summer Camp

As usual, thank-you to the faithful contributors of the Nevada Program. From these donations, you can see the good works that your money goes toward.

Nevada Chair, Ruth Anne Massecar

Perch Fry

He won't be smiling, but you probably will. Get ready to enjoy Lake Erie Perch. Coming to a plate near you. Saturday, June 2nd in the Pavilion Check at the Legion and on the Website for details.



TERRY ANDERSON MEMORIAL GOLF



Saturday, May 26th at
 Springview Farm Golf Course.
 Registration of \$55 covers
 Green Fees and Steak Dinner.
 Register at the Bar
 Carts \$27 (prepaid at Legion)
 Steak Dinner Only/No Golf
 \$15
"Golf and Have Fun"

Mother's Day L.A.Brunch!

Delicious omelettes, pancakes,
 bacon, sausage, eggs, goodies!
 Sunday, May 14th



Membership

Branch 123, Waterford is part of Zone B-1. The membership numbers were tallied for the recent Zone Meeting and it was thought to be quite impressive for our small area.

	LIFE	ORD.	ASSOC.	AFFIL	TOTAL
Br. 70 Simcoe	11	65	147	32	255
Br. 123 Waterford	9	34	211	95	349
Br. 125 Delhi	3	9	70	21	103
Br. 142 Dunnville	7	50	235	116	410
Br. 154 Caledonia	7	29	67	28	131
Br. 158 Port Dover	12	41	159	66	278
Br. 159 Cayuga	2	11	43	31	87
Br. 164 Hagersville	15	55	250	47	367
Br. 190 Norwich	0	17	137	58	212
Br. 379 Port Rowan	4	14	96	25	139
Br. 526 Teeterville	6	10	85	15	116
TOTAL	77	334	1489	524	2496

Membership Chair,
 Barb Taylor-Gagne

Zone B1 Sports

Congratulations to all of our Darts teams. Our Regular Darts, Senior Darts and Mixed Darts teams all met with success and represented Br 123 well.

Next big event that members should consider is the Zone Golf tournament to be held on June 9th in Dunnville at Freedom Oaks. Watch for postings in the foyer of the Club Room and on line at www.waterfordlegion.ca . This year you can click a link on the web page and post your intention to participate on the spot. Couldn't be easier.

Sports Chair, Herb Taylor taylorhe@hotmail.ca

Senior's Report

The annual Seniors' Spring Fling is fast approaching as I write this report. I'm anticipating another wonderful party especially since we're celebrating Br.123's 90th Anniversary! All Seniors are invited to all events at Br.123. There are many extras happening monthly, so please keep informed by reading all media sources: Branch Bulletin, posted notices, Br.123 website, Wednesday Times Reformer, Snap,... My FM 98.9 Radio also announces our many happenings.

Any Senior requiring "Foot Care" assistance should contact Sharon at 519-443-7567.

Senior's Chair, Sharon Anderson

Public Relations

If you are in charge of an event, please remember to put pertinent information in the event book at bar.

Public Relations Chair,
Norma Jean Kennedy

Bar Report

All Members should be aware by now of our recent slight increase in alcohol and canteen item selling prices. This was initiated in order to offset the Legion costs incurred by the legislated minimum wage changes as of January 1, 2018. This increase in selling prices will cover the wage increases for our employees over the next year. Another Employee increase is slated for January 1, 2019. Liquor Servers' minimum wage is different than other employees, as it is felt that "tips" supplement their income.

I am biased as the Bar Chair. I feel that our Bar Staff is one of the most co-operative, efficient, responsible and reliable group around. They present daily with generally pleasant and helpful attitudes. They contribute to an inviting environment for everyone! Thank You Bar Staff!

Members, thank you again for supporting our bar. Your pleasant demeanor assists us in making our bar environment a pleasant and inviting place for all members and guests!

Please contact myself with any bar concerns.

Bar Chair, Sharon Anderson

Dragon Boat 123 Sails Again!

Check out the sign up sheet on the bar and get into the spirit. A wonderful day on the water with crew mates for a great cause. (Sorry Tommy, you can't jig for bass during the race!)



A Proud History

In 1948, Branch 123 took up residence at their new location at 91 St. James. The building, which housed the Legion, was purchased by Branch 123 from a Mrs. MacDonald, thus it was often referred to as, "Ol' MacDonald House".

The Club Rooms were known as Waterford and Townsend Memorial Hall. Many improvements were made to the building to provide a Club Room and a Hall. It was the hard work and the dedication of the many members who contributed countless volunteer hours during the, "Work Days for Members" that turned the house into the Legion Home.

Comrade A.G. Mayers was the first President at St. James Street, from 1948-1949. In 1950, Comrade George

Mayers and Frank Atkinson donated a propeller and block which is still proudly displayed and used in the Memorial Hall today.

A momentous meeting occurred on July 10th, 1950, when a motion was made that a toilet be installed in the hall immediately. The motion was carried and permanent porcelain became a welcomed fixture to this day!



(Pictured are the Legion and Auxiliary Presidents in 1949)



L.A. Chili Cook-Off

Bring your best bowl of chili just like the stuff Cookie used to make. It will be a great day to compete or just to eat. Saturday, April 7th in the Front Hall. (Check Legion for details)