

Branch #123 Waterford 2019-2021

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“They serve till Death! Why not we?”

**News Bulletin and Calendar
October/November 2019**

President's Report

The branch has had a busy month in September with the return of fall and winter events, such as Wednesday night suppers, fish and chips, wings and brunch.

The annual golf tournament took place with 76 golfers and a great day was had by all.

We can hold these events due to the incredible work our dedicated volunteers do and we are always looking for new volunteers to help. Please put your name forward at any event if you are interested.

October will also be a very busy month. As well as above mentioned events, it will be Pumpkinfest. Special Events include Fish and chips and Karaoke on Friday night. On Saturday we have the parade (anyone with a legion uniform who would like to join in the parade are welcome, please let us know so we have enough flags available), meat draw and costume dance. On Sunday we will have the Branch Brunch. Please see the Pumpkinfest brochure for times.

The end of October will see our annual Poppy campaign kickoff. Poppy distributors will be required and a sign up sheet will put on the bar just after Pumpkinfest. Please add your name to a slot that fits your schedule.

Last but not least, Catch the Ace is back. First draw will be October 4th in the club room. Get a ticket and come out and enjoy the fun.

President, Ian Simpson

Seniors' Christmas Party

Don't look now but the Seniors' Christmas party is just around the corner.

Set aside Sunday, December 1st from 2:00-4:00p.m. This is when we will kick off this special time of year with a big bang!

Reservations are required as this is a very popular event.

Call Sharon at 519-443-7567 anytime after Nov. 1st.

Seniors please come and we will make your Christmas even more special!

Seniors' Chair, Sharon Anderson

Membership

Annual dues for the 2020 year are \$48.50 and are payable before December 31st. If you choose to pay your dues at the Branch during the Early Bird Campaign, you will be entered into the contest for one of two free memberships to be drawn at the December General Meeting. The campaign will run until November 16th.

Members may also choose to pay their 2020 dues online through Command (legion.ca) and be entered into their contest for a \$5000 Via Rail pass. If you do register online, please be aware that there is a longer delay in the time between payment and receipt of the validation sticker

Membership Chair, Barb Taylor Gagne

Sport's Report

Fall brings the beginning to the new Br 123 Sport's Season.

Eight Ball Port Dover October 5th

Euchre Dunnville October 19th

Cribbage Dunnville November 16th

Watch in the foyer of the Club Room to sign up for events.

Sport's Chair, Herb Taylor

Honours and Awards (Banquet, Nov. 16th)

Life	20yr	Sharon Anderson	45yr	Herb Schram
Ordinary	10yr	Murray Tuck	20yr	Lee Vidler
	35yr	Gord Barnett	45yr	Herb Postil
	50yr	Doug Hall		
Associate	10yr	Amy Hart		Mike Jarvis
		Barb Kalar		Jill Thompson
		Garry Turner		Diana Torrville
	15yr	Marie Innes		Cornelia Angus
		Carol Toms		Carol Chadwick
		Katie Freeman Eldridge		
	20yr	Ron Angus		Bev Kenney
		Diane McKeen		Barb Sonnenberg
	25yr	Dan Ramsey		
	30yr	Pat Freeman		Evelyn Babineau
		Garry and Rachel Witham		
	35yr	Mike Bishop		Murray Daniel
	40yr	R E Hewitt		
	45yr	K C Beaul Terry Lunn		
		Annette Pfau		Peter Thompson
Affiliate	10yr	Phil McLaren		Sandy Mels
	20yr	Shawn Hagan		Bill Moore
		Darin Townsend		Harold Vandermeer
	30yr	Arnold Sonnenberg		



Pumpkinfest Branch Brunch

The Branch will be hosting the Sunday Pumpkinfest Brunch this year. The best Brunch in the known universe.

Sit down with friends and family on October 20th from 9:00AM until 12 noon.

Yum! What a Great Return!

If you missed out on the return of the “Third Wednesday of the Month” Dinner, you missed a lot. This is a joint venture between the Fundraising arm of the Norfolk General Hospital and our Branch. The NGH folks will provide the menu inspiration and some person power while working alongside Branch members. The proceeds will be split to help support both organizations. Ticket sales will commence at 4:45 PM and dinner will be served at 5:30 PM. Same great price, food quality and service that you have grown to expect from Br 123.

Last month’s meal was a sell out, so don’t be disappointed this month. The next event will be on October, 16th, followed by another on November the 20th.

If you like great food with someone else doing all the prep and clean up, this is for you. Spread the word, get a group together and give it a try. The menu for October will celebrate the taste of fall, with butternut squash soup, pork chops with apple chutney, sweet potatoes, braised red cabbage and pumpkin crunch cake (all locally sourced).

Thanks to Townsend Butchers for their support.

Pumpkinfest Activities at the Legion

Friday, October 18 th	5:30PM	Fish and Chips
	7:30PM	Karaoke
Saturday, Oct. 19 th	3:00PM	Meat Draw
	8:00PM	Costume Dance
Sunday, Oct 20 th	9:00AM	Branch Brunch

Poppy Campaign Report

Comrades: The Poppy Campaign will commence on Friday, October 25th and run for 3 weeks. Your help with the campaign is essential and would be much appreciated. As part of our Legion Membership oath, we all took a pledge to help with the Poppy Campaign. Please take the time to volunteer for a shift. It will be time well spent. A successful campaign will help our community and our Veterans. The sign up sheet will be at the bar in the Club Room.

Poppy Chair : Norma Jean Kennedy



CATCH THE ACE IS BACK!

Catch the Ace is starting again on October 4th and will run until March 28th or until the Ace is caught.

Draws are at 7:15 p.m.

If all of the tickets are sold, the weekly prize will be \$350.00.

To ensure you don't miss out, get on a list with a committee member to guarantee a ticket each week.

Ian Simpson John Toms Monica Hooper
Ricky Demeulenaere Marlene McCulligh

Pumpkinfest Groaners

Q: What do you use to mend a jack-o-lantern?

A: A pumpkin patch.

Q: Who helps the little pumpkins cross the road to school?

A: The Crossing Gourd.

Q: What is the ratio of a pumpkin’s circumference to its diameter?

A: Pumpkin Pi

Q: Why was Cinderella not very good at softball?

A: Because her coach was a pumpkin.

Nevada Report

The Nevada Committee met again on September 24th, to discuss additional donations from the current license, which began on July 10th. Because we no longer have to pay Provincial Tax on the break open tickets, we are able to donate an additional \$2200 per license. This combined with \$400 left from the previous license, left us with a balance of \$2600.

The Committee made the following recommendations:

\$600 Waterford & District Minor Hockey
\$1000 Norfolk General Hospital re: C.A.T.
\$1000 St. Joseph Life Care(Stedman)/Hankinson House

Also, we have finally received approval from Norfolk County to pay the additional amount owing for The Veterans' Memorial from our Building Fund.

As always, a special "thank-you" to all who help to make these donations possible.

Nevada Chair, Ruth Anne Masecar

Grey Cup Party

Join the gang in the Club Room for Grey Cup 2019 on Sunday November 24th. Game starts at 6:30, party starts at 5:15 PM



The last few years have produced thrilling games and this should be more of the same. Come out and cheer for your team or just enjoy the party atmosphere.

Enjoy a steaming bowl of our famous chili, share in the free snacks of each table and participate in some game related activities.

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

Senior's Report

Seniors' Fall Hoedown!

On Thursday, September 19th a group of volunteers and awesome seniors gathered and had a toe-tappin', finger-snappin', hand-clappin' good time. There was also some tips on healthy livin' thrown in for good measure.

If you require foot care assistance, please call me at 519-443-7567 Happy Feet are Healthy Feet!!

Seniors Chair, Sharon Anderson

Time to Take a Dip!

Dip them in delicious sauces that is. Wings are back on October 25th and November 29th. Sales start at 4:40 and service from 5:00 PM until 7:00 PM or sold out!



Honour and Remember

The Remembrance Day Ceremony has played a major role in Remembrance since 1931. Every year, at the eleventh hour of the eleventh day of the eleventh month, we gather in memorial parks, community halls, workplaces, schools and homes to stand in honour of all who have fallen. Together, we observe a moment of silence to mark the sacrifice of the many who have fallen in the service of their country, and to acknowledge the courage of those who still serve.

The Act of Remembrance

They shall grow not old, as we that are left grow old;
Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn.
At the going down of the sun and in the morning

We will remember them.

We will remember them.

