

Branch #123 Waterford

Executive

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Executive Committee

Seniors/Events Co-ordinator	Sharon Anderson
Honours&Awards	John Toms
Sports/Bulletin House	Herb Taylor
Grounds	Gord Barnett
Youth Education/T&F	Wayne Lyons
Artifacts	Peggy Taylor
	Monica Hooper/ Alex Wozniak
Web Master	Matthew Taylor
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Entertainment	Chad Sandison
Bar Chair	Mike Bishop

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President	Sharron Whitehead
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2nd Vice President	Lynda LaPlante
Secretary	Jane Postill
Treasurer	Elaine Woloshyn
Sgt.-at-Arms	Ann Kerr
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“They serve till Death! Why not we?”

**News Bulletin and Calendar
March/April 2022**

President's Report

Welcome comrades. After another lock down, we are again up and running. I hope this is the last lock down and we can soon get back to some form of normality.

I would like to personally thank the executive for agreeing to continue this term and allow us to have elections in 2023. I believe this is a better solution than having 2 elections in back to back years.

I do want to remind anyone who is looking to join the executive at the next elections, that they must attend 50% of the meetings from April in order to be able to stand as per our by-laws.

I hope everyone had a great Christmas and New Year

President, Ian Simpson

Senior's Report

The most recent Foot Clinic Services for Seniors was held this past Tuesday, with 12 registered participants .

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

A Seniors' Spring Fling will be held on Thursday, March 31st, from 2-4p.m. All Seniors are welcome to attend. I will continue to take reservations for this party, as this practice provides better information for refreshments and for setting up the room.

This will be a Platinum Jubilee Celebration and we will be paying tribute to Queen Elizabeth II. Plans are well underway with many of our Legion Volunteers contributing to the party's happenings. Call 519-443-7567 to reserve your spot.

Senior's Chair, Sharon Anderson

Bits and Pieces

- Motion passed to increase the prices of draft beer, domestic bottled beer and bar liquors by \$.25 and a pitcher of draft to \$16.25. Effective date: April 1st.
- Motion passed to paint the walls of the Front Hall, Kitchen, Conference/Prep Rm and Refrigerator RM, with a Max budget of \$3000.

Sport's Report

Sports have resumed for the Zone. Here is a run down of the usual favourites:

Washer Toss	Hagersville	May 14 th
Golf	Dunnville	June 4 th

If you wish to enter a team, see the sign up sheet in the foyer of the Club Room

When the weather permits, the Legion has Horse Shoes available for the pits behind the Club Room.

Pool, darts and playing cards are available to the membership for your enjoyment at any time

Sport's Chair, Herb Taylor

Local LIONS Need a Helping Hand

The Waterford LIONS are collecting used prescription bottles to send to 3rd world countries for reuse there. Many of the medical systems in these countries do not have the resources to purchase bottles/containers for prescriptions. As such, medications are often given in unprotected ways. Thus they may be lost or otherwise be compromised. Delivery of the bottles we collect can/has helped to change this.

Renee Jarvis is collecting for the local club and will be glad to accept what Legion members can offer.

Containers can be dropped off to
Renee at 14 Stratford Court, Waterford or call
519 443 4266 for pick up

General Meeting

There will be a General Meeting held on April 28th at 6:30PM. Come and share in the governance of your Legion.

Humour for Spring

How do you know when spring is here?

The Leafs are out!

My mom called told me this really funny Spring time joke.

I laughed so hard I wet my plants!

An order of monks were selling flowers illegally on the lawn of the Hugh Hefner's Playboy Mansion.

Instead of calling the police, Hugh decided to spring into action and stop them himself. After an intense argument, the monks agreed to leave peacefully.

It seems only Hugh can prevent florist friars.

Why does boxer Manny Pacquiao hate Spring so much?

Because of May weather.

Seniors' Spring Fling



Join us in paying tribute to
QUEEN ELIZABETH II, on the
occasion of her
"PLATINUM JUBILEE!"
Please wear a hat if you wish!
T'will be a glorious occasion, and
lots of jolly good
FUN!



Thursday, March 31st at 2:00 p.m.
Please invite all other Seniors whom you
meet to join in the fun. Call Sharon at
519-443-7567 to make a reservation if
you plan to attend.

Charitable Foundation

Branches and auxiliaries, through poppy tagging and other activities, fund the foundation. Through our collective strength, we are able to fund projects, which are normally beyond the means of individual branches. These include:

Veterans welfare, Programs for Aging Veterans,
Medical Research, Medical Equipment, Bursaries

Membership

Our present membership role indicates 287 paid members and approximately 85 unpaid. Fifty-five memberships were processed in February with 10 of those being new members. Collecting dues seems to be a continuous process, as it will not be long before the September Early Bird, starts on September 1st, when the 2023 membership dues are payable.

So many members have been into the branch, been online (legion.ca) or mailed their dues already. All paid membership renewals stickers are available at the bar in the clubroom. Dominion Command has sent out reminder notices in late February. If you received one and have already paid your dues, it is likely that it got crossed over from branch to command.

HOW DO I PAY MY LEGION DUES ?

- A . Submit you dues (\$48.50) to Branch 123.
Mailing address : Branch 123, P.O. Box 603, Waterford
- B. Submit your dues through Dominion Command.
Phone Dominion Command Member Services Toll Free
@ 1-855-330-3344.

Email Member Services @ membership@legion.ca.

More Bits and Pieces

- Motion passed to recover the hanging sound boards in the clubroom . Expected cost of materials is \$50 -\$60 per board.
- Motion passed to contribute \$8 per registered participant to subsidize bi-monthly Sr. Foot Clinic from the General Acct until Nevada Funds will once again support the service.

Events for March

2	5:30 PM	Wednesday Take Out or Eat In Dinner (Schnitzel)
11	5 PM	Fish and Chip Take Out or Eat In Dinner
17	All Day	St Patrick's Day (Green Beer)
24	6:30 PM	Executive Meeting
25	5 PM	Wings
31	2:00 PM	Seniors' Spring Fling

Events for April

6	5:30 PM	Wednesday Take Out or Eat In Dinner (Roast Beef)
8	5 PM	Fish & Chip Take Out or Eat In Dinner
28	6:30 PM	General Meeting
29	5:00 PM	Wings

Poppy Financial Report

Poppy Trust bank balance is \$16,784.94. Five hundred dollars was transferred to the General Account in July 2019, for the purchase of masks and sanitiser. This was approved at Executive meeting and approved by Command.

Special Use Forms for approval:

Juravinski Hospital and Cancer Centre	\$1,000.00
(for Cyber Knife used with X ray machine for treatment bladder cancer)	
Simcoe Army Cadets	\$1,000.00
(To help fund the running of the unit)	
Ontario Command Service Dogs	\$3,000.00
Norfolk General Hospital	\$1,500.00
(for purchase of new X ray machine)	
Norview donation	\$1,800.00
(for purchase of lift chair)	

Poppy Chair: Norma Jean Kennedy

Honours and Awards

	LIFE	ORDINARY	ASSOCIATE	AFFILIATE
10 yr		Ryan Elliott	Peter Atkins Travis Cloet Dian Landry Rick Mercer Jeff Pearson	
15 yr		Mike Koski	Carol Chadwick Laura Filman Scott Filman Chuck Sawyer Kelly Steinhoff	Gerald Bevan Stan Pajor David Thompson Marlene <u>Thompson</u>
20 yr	Ruth Anne Massecar Barb Taylor Gagné	George Corman	LheilaCorman Cliff Lawrence Wayne Lyons Barb Sonnenberg <u>Rebecca Szvedo</u>	Archie Demeulenaere Maria Demeulenaere
25 yr			Ken Holder Deb Kitchen	EgonMelberg
30 yr			<u>Janice Gunn</u> Bruce Howard Darlene Smith Charlie Winkworth	
35 yr			<u>Anne Zaluski</u> Daniel Bonin Robert Hall John Kenny Barry Korobka <u>Carolyn Smith</u>	
40 yr		Bob Kennedy	Pat Harvey Grant MacDonald Sharon Pellow Ron Richards <u>Larry Sarafinchin</u>	
45 yr			Sheldon Morgan <u>Tom Sweich</u>	Dave Bradey <u>Barry Golding</u>
50 yr		Art Strugnell	Clare Hayes	

Honours and Awards Chair: John Toms