

## Branch #123 Waterford

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Artifacts	Bruce Brown
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**“We Will Remember Them!”**

**News Bulletin and Calendar  
March/April 2024**

### **President's Report**

Not much to say at this time. Robbie Burns Night was a great success. The young dancers from Cassandra Dance School stole the show. We made a small profit on the food but more importantly, everyone had a great evening.

We are going to enter the last year of our time in office in April. I just want to remind people who are interested in running for a position on the executive, that you must attend three general meetings from April. There are only six, so it important to start early. I will say, if you are interested, attending as many meetings as you can, will be beneficial.

President, Ian Simpson

### **Senior's Report**

THURSDAY, MARCH 21<sup>st</sup>, 2024! Save the date because it's the Annual Seniors' Spring Fling.

Brush off the doom and gloom of winter and join us for lots of entertainment and laughter. Plus a dash of food thrown in for good measure. Hope to see you all there. Register your attendance by contacting Sharon at 519 443 7567.

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

Senior's Chair, Sharon Anderson

### **Nevada Report**

Nevada sales are progressing slowly. We are averaging approximately a box a month on this license. This is a little slower than the last one. Nevada is a source of funds for Charitable donations. Buying some tickets is fun and will help the Legion support our commitment to our youth and seniors.

Nevada Chair, Ruth Anne Masecar .

### **General Meeting**

The next General Meeting for Br. 123 members will be on Thursday, April 18<sup>th</sup> at 6:30PM. Please sign in before the meeting. Come and share in the governance of your Legion.

### **Membership Report**

Applications for membership have been received from: Adrian Turner, Henry Ripley, Tammy Moffat, John Gibbons, Lisa Thompson, Warren Thompson, Bill Banfield, Mark Kozak, Sean McNamarra, and Nadine Howard. They are approved and will be sent to Command.

Early Bird Draws (2) were made for paid 2025 memberships. Catherine Smith and Jared Wilks were the winners.

As long as dues are paid for 2024, the receipt is valid as membership. Membership cards and year stickers for paid members are available at the bar. Unpaid members can pay their dues at the bar, online at legion.ca or mail to RCL Br 123, Box 609, Waterford ON, N0E 1Y0 If you have questions, leave a message at the Bar.

Membership Chair, Barb Taylor-Gagne

### **St Patrick's Saturday Matinee and Chili Cook Off**

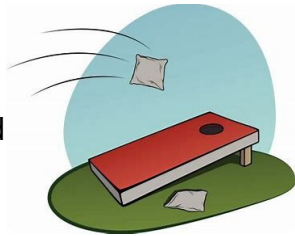
On Saturday, March 16<sup>th</sup>, from 4:00PM to 8:00PM  
There will be a Chili Cook Off on that day as well. Enter at the Bar then bring in your Chili on the day at 2:00PM. Judging will begin at 3:00PM and then the Chili will be sold off for \$1Small and \$5Large.  
Music will begin at 4:00PM



It will all happen in the Club Room and it will be a great party.  
Be entertained by the fabulous **‘Mighty River’**  
Come and let the good times wash your winter blues away!

### A Favourite Activity is Back!

Corn Hole is continuing on Thursdays at 6:30PM. (Except the third of the month)  
Watch the Br. 123 Website, Facebook and Club Room Bulletin Board for details.



### Sport's Report

Good luck to the Senior dart's teams this weekend in Waterdown. We had 2 teams attend Zone Euchre in Teeterville. Both teams will be advancing to the next level of competition. We had an adult-youth dart's tourney in Delhi on Saturday, February 18<sup>th</sup>. It was attended by 5 teams from our Legion. Great job by all. Bernice has started a Cribbage Night on Tuesday evenings. All are welcome to attend. The Superbowl party was well attended. Congrats to all of the winners. Pool, darts and playing cards are available to the membership for your enjoyment at any time. Ask at the Bar. Check Bulletin Board in Club Room Foyer for updates on Zone Sports.

Sport's Chair, Brad Walker

### Artifacts Report

A little more information on the Turney medal that is in the cabinet. Charles was a member of the Royal Army Veterinary Core. He had service number 1215 and he was awarded the British War Medal that we have and he would have also received the Victory Medal. He may have been from Otterville. The search continues. I am currently working on a booklet that displays the medals, their ribbons and details of each. I have recently acquired two more World War I medals: 1914-15 Star belonging Private R.F. Macdonald 13 Canadian Infantry, service number 24843 and a 1914-19 Victory Medal (Inter - Allied War Medal) belonging to GNR H. Taylor, Royal Artillery, service number 43782.

Artifacts Chair, Bruce Brown

### Poppy Report

The year end review for 2023 has been completed and forwarded.

Balance forward Jan 1, 2023	\$15,793.53
Income from all sources.	<u>\$14,456.15</u>
Total	\$30,249.68

Disbursed to veterans support as follows:

Veterans dinner	\$ 455.00
Youth Ed poster competition	\$ 490.00
Homeless Veterans	\$ 3 000.00
Service dogs	\$ 4 000.00
Parkwood hospital comfort fund	\$ 1 000.00
NGH monitor	<u>\$ 3 000.00</u>
Total	\$ 11 945.00

Campaign expenses

Poppies	\$ 1 575.00
Stamps	\$ 103.96
Cheques TD	<u>\$ 224.70</u>
Total	\$ 1 903.66

Total expenditure.

Balance Dec /31/ 2023	\$16 401.02
Current balance as of Jan 31/2024	\$16,643.02

Poppy Chair, Pat Freeman

### Seniors' Spring Fling

Come out and shake off those winter blues with a toe tapping good time. There will be entertainment, activities and some delicious food to boot.



Contact Sharon at 519 443 7567 to register for the event.

## Finance Report

	February	January
General Account	\$110,467.93	\$114,528.18
Nevada Account	\$4,676.96	\$4,507.96
Building Account	\$9,751.27	\$9,756.22
Lottery Account	\$16,232.66	\$17,616.21
GIC - General Surplus	\$48,535.52	\$48,009.39
GIC - Capital Reserve	\$42,035.92	\$42,035.92
Combined (All Accts)	\$232,700.26	\$236,453.88

Treasurer, Jamie Gunn

## Branch Events For:

### March

2	3:00PM	Saturday Matinee
6	5:30 PM	Wednesday Supper (Roast Beef)
7	6:30PM	Corn Hole
8	5:00 PM	Fish and Chips
10	9:00AM	Sunday Brunch
14	6:30PM	Corn Hole
15	7:00 PM	Pub Quiz
16	3:00PM	Chili Cook Off
16	4:00PM	Saturday Matinee
21	2:00PM	Seniors' Spring Fling
28	6:30PM	Corn Hole
29	Legion Closed for Good Friday	
31	10:00AM	Veteran's Coffee Hour

### April

3	5:30PM	Wednesday Supper (Pork Chops)
4	6:30PM	Corn Hole
11	6:30PM	Corn Hole
12	5:00 PM	Fish And Chips
14	9:00AM	Sunday Brunch
18	6:30PM	General Meeting
19	7:00 PM	Pub Quiz
25	6:30PM	Corn Hole
26	5:00 PM	Wings and Karaoke
28	10:00AM	Veteran's Coffee Hour

## Youth Education

I was very pleased with the outcome of the speech presentations on Feb 4<sup>th</sup>. Branch speeches included 26 presentations from Bloomsberg Elementary School and Waterford Public School. The three first place winners from our branch went on to the next level of zone in Hagersville on Feb 10<sup>th</sup>.

I attended zone and with great pride, saw all three of our representatives move on to District, which will be held on Mar 23<sup>rd</sup> at Branch 136 Milton. I am hoping to attend.

I want to thank the judges, scrutineers, timekeepers and all that helped. Everyone did a fantastic job.

We had a budget of \$500 for the event. Out expenses were \$360. Thus, the remaining \$140 was returned to the Nevada Account.

We approached all 5 schools to do Valentines for Vets and we had an overwhelming response. I counted to 237 and then stopped as there were so many. They were passed on to Kim Jones for distribution.

Special thanks to Pat Freeman who involved her card making group and made beautiful valentines that were given to Golden Pond.

Youth Chair, Bonnie Kirk

## Spring Humour

