

Branch #123 Waterford

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“We Will Remember Them!”

**News Bulletin and Calendar
January/February 2025**

President's Report

Firstly, as the New Year unfolds before us, I would like to wish everyone a Happy and prosperous New Year.

The branch continues to do well as you will hear in the treasurer's report. The bar is gradually getting back to pre-covid times.

Events continue to be well attended and a big thank you to all our volunteers who without we wouldn't survive.

President, Ian Simpson

Senior's Report

The annual Seniors' Christmas Party was a great event! There were 103 registered guests. The Heart 'N Soul Choir entertained, and Santa dropped by as well and gave the Seniors a healthy treat of clementines. Fun, food, and festivities were enjoyed by all. To cover the balance of party expenses, above the Nevada Budget of \$500, the donations made to the Seniors' Fund held within the Branch General Account, were used. The guests were very generous in their donations at this party and contributed \$367.50 to Seniors' Funds. The current balance in the Seniors' Funds is \$1,552.72.

A couple more Legion Seniors have requested the use of our Foot Care Services, and 12-14 participants use this service bi-monthly.

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

Senior's Chair, Sharon Anderson

Nevada Report

Thanks to Dave Avery, who has done the daily book work and the counting of tickets. Sales continue to progress slowly. The current license has approximately 4 boxes left.

Nevada Chair, Ruth Anne Masecar .

General Meeting

The next General Meeting for Br. 123 members will be on Thursday, February 27th at 6:30PM. Please sign in before the meeting.

Come and share in the governance of your Legion.

Sport's Report

Youth darts continues. If you have a child ages 8 to 18 who would like to learn about and play darts, come to the Legion on Sundays at 10:00AM through January on the 5th, 12th, 19th and 26th.

Corn hole in the pavilion or Front Hall on Thursdays at 7:00PM.

Next events will be Zone Mixed Darts in Delhi on January 11th and Zone Euchre in Dunnville on February 8th. One darts team is advancing to District in January.

Check Bulletin Board in Club Room Foyer for updates on Zone Sports and sign up sheets.

Sport's Chair, Brad Walker

Membership Report

Two draws were made from the early Bird Campaign. Glenn Garland and David Hillman are the winners of paid memberships in 2026.

MEMBERSHIP DUES ARE \$50.00 if paid before December 31st, 2024. Dominion Command has increased their portion of our dues.

Therefore, it is necessary to pass this increase along to our membership. As of January 1st, 2025, the dues will be \$55.00. The Branch retains \$10.49/member.

Membership Chair. Barb Taylor-Gagne



Sunday Brunch

Who's hungry? The answer is everyone.

Brunch will be held on Sunday, January 12th and February 9th at 9:00AM. The usual selection of eggs, bacon, sausage, home fries, pancakes and delectable desserts will be available.

Get together a group and enjoy this morning feast.
Don't forget the complimentary coffee and tea.

Poppy Report

The 2024 Poppy campaign went very well. A huge thank-you to all of the wonderful volunteers who made this possible. Not to mention the generous support of the community and local businesses.

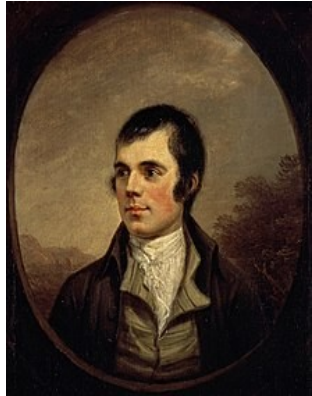
Donations to the fund during the campaign totalled \$14,693. This compares to last year's similar time period with donations of \$13,546. The poppy centres were a big hit. All 400 were sold and brought in \$418.

The tap box total was \$181. It started at the LCBO and was then moved to Tim Horton's.

In November, Branch 123 hosted a dinner for our veterans and their spouses or caregivers. Twenty seven attended and enjoyed a meal catered by Sharon and her team. Tomorrow we will be delivering fruit baskets to shut-in veterans from our branch to wish them a Merry Christmas.

The current Poppy balance is \$19,040.

Poppy Chair, Pat Freeman



Robbie Burns Night

Come out on Saturday, January 25th to help quell the Winter Blahs.

There is nothing like the skirl of the bag pipes, the twirl of a Highland dancer and a big slab of Hagus with all of the fixings to put things right.

This is a popular event so be sure to score your tickets from the Bar early before they are gone.

As Robbie once wrote about a mouse:

But, Och! I backward cast my e'e.

On prospects drear!

An' forward, tho' I canna see,

I guess an' fear

Rolls right off the tongue!

Branch Events For:

January

1	2:00PM	President's Levee
5	10:00AM	Youth Darts
7	8:00PM	Catch the Ace
8	5:30PM	Wednesday Night Dinner (Ham)
9	12:00PM	Sit and Fit
9	7:00PM	Corn Hole
10	5:00PM	Fish and Chips
11	4:00PM	Saturday Matinee (Albatross)
12	9:00PM	Sunday Brunch
14	8:00PM	Catch the Ace
16	12:00PM	Sit and Fit
16	7:00PM	Corn Hole
17	7:00PM	Quiz Night
19	8:00PM	Catch the Ace
19	10:00AM	Youth Darts
21	8:00PM	Catch the Ace
23	12:00PM	Sit and Fit
23	7:00PM	Corn Hole
25	7:00PM	Robbie Burn's Night
26	10:00AM	Youth Darts
27	10:00AM	Veteran's Coffee Hour
28	8:00PM	Catch the Ace
28	12:00PM	Sit and Fit
31	5PM/7PM	Wing Night and Karaoke

Finance Report

Bank balances December 16, 2024

	December	November
General Account	\$ 130,394.92	\$ 120,980.39
Nevada Account	\$ 5,635.60	\$ 5,111.10
Building Account	\$ 17,867.57	\$ 17,867.57
Lottery Account	\$ 7,349.72	\$ 5,850.67
GIC General Surplus	\$ 50,154.20	\$ 49,610.52
GIC Capitol Reserve	\$ 68,447.25	\$ 68,447.25
Combined total	\$ 279,849.26	\$ 267,867.50

Treasurer, Jamie Gunn

February

4	8:00PM	Catch the Ace
5	5:30PM	Wednesday Night Dinner
6	12:00PM	Sit and Fit
6	7:00PM	Corn Hole
9	9:00PM	Sunday Brunch
9	6:30PM	SuperBowl Party
11	8:00PM	Catch the Ace
13	12:00PM	Sit and Fit
13	7:00PM	Corn Hole
14	5:00PM	Fish and Chips
18	8:00PM	Catch the Ace
20	12:00PM	Sit and Fit
20	7:00PM	Corn Hole
21	7:00PM	Quiz Night
24	10:00AM	Veteran's Coffee Hour
25	8:00PM	Catch the Ace?
27	6:30PM	General Meeting
28	5:00PM	Wing Night/Karaoke

House Chair Major Repairs

- 1) Dec 3 – ballast changed in tube light fixture outside office
- 2) Dec 9 – small “WASHROOM” sign off the hall replaced with larger sign, which is well legible from the far end of the hall
- 3) Dec 13 – bar cooler not holding temperature. Vibe called in to repair. Low on coolant. No leak found after extensive search. 2 lb of coolant added. Possible pinhole leak somewhere.
- 4) Dec 16 – new cork bulletin board put up to replate aluminum sheet on hall side of kitchen door

Outstanding Issues

1. Replace balance of screws on roof over club room skylights
2. Replace screws on East side of roof – long term
3. Bar Cooler doors, dripping from condensation – committee formed
4. Finish Repair of central vacuum
5. Fix stainless steel counter on island in kitchen
6. Repair Hall side bar sink – new cartridge?

House Chair, Mike Jarvis



Superbowl LVIII in Las Vegas

Are you ready for some Football!

The gang will be hunkered down at Br 123 in February for a whale of a SuperBowl Party.

It will be on Sunday, February 9th at 6:30 PM

There will be food available and of course the big game.

Be there!

Humour

