



ST. JAMES LEGION #4  
NEWSLETTER



March & April 2016



LEST WE FORGET

1755 PORTAGE AVE, WINNIPEG MB. 888-2860

## Branch Officers, Executive & Appointments

### Officers

President	Ronn Anderson	Finance / Poppy
1 <sup>st</sup> Vice President	Al Coote	In House Draws
2 <sup>nd</sup> Vice President	Mike Thayer	Publicity
3 <sup>rd</sup> Vice President	Chris Lundgren	Children's Programs
Past President	Betty Zarney	Honours & Awards / Special Events

### Executives

Membership House	Gordie Laing
Sick Visiting	Roland Fisette
Resolutions/By-Laws	Tom Love
Service Officer	Dusty Miller
Entertainment	Eric Murphy
Ways & Means	Mary Anne McGibney
Scholarships	Ken Morley
Sports	Jane Deller
	Randy Morningstar

### Appointments

Honorary President	Peter Sawatzky
Padre	Maj Owen Budden
Legion Lodge	Gary Pruden
Branch Pianist	Jan Miller
Branch Piper	Doc Jardine
Recording Secretary	Bruce Barton
Sgt-at-Arms	Ken Arsenault
Chase the Ace	Ken Morley
Website	George Morrison

### Ladies Auxiliary

President Corinne Van Meer

### Over 55 Club

Chairman Peter Henry

### Office Staff (888-2860)

Secretary Treasurer Leif Johnson      Bar Manager Roxanne Mills  
Office Administrator Debi Pointkoski

**Branch Hours Sept 2015 to May 2016** Mon 9 a.m. to 10 p.m. Tues 9 a.m. to 12 a.m.  
Wed 9 a.m. to 11 p.m. Thurs 9 a.m. to 12 a.m. Fri 9 a.m. to 1 a.m. Sat 9 a.m. to 12 a.m.

## **PRESIDENTS MESSAGE March 2016**



Greetings

A big thank you to the Ladies Auxiliary for their gift of the purchase and installation of new handicap entrances to the downstairs washrooms. Thank You Ladies.

While I am saying thank you, I would like to acknowledge all of the work being done in the branch by the many volunteers. Without their help the branch could be in dire straits. The funds raised by the many members involved in the meat draws, Texas Hold-em, Chase The Ace, Special Basket draws and other fund raising events continue to help balance the books. Without your support of these events it would be difficult for the branch to continue operating.

At the April meeting we will be deciding on the number of delegates and electing members to be delegates to the 2016 Dominion Convention. If you are interested in representing your branch at this convention please attend the meeting in order to be elected as a delegate. The convention will be held in St Johns NFLD, 11 - 14 June, 2016.

The Sports Foundation of Manitoba & Northwest Ontario Command operates the Best Sports Camp in Canada for Children. In order to do this they need help. If you are able to give some time to the welfare of our youth, then maybe you could volunteer as a Dorm Dean (Chaperone) at the Athletic Camp for a week this summer. The camp operates in one week blocks from 17 July 2016 until 13 August 2016 at The International Peace Garden. Your help would be greatly appreciated.

My best wishes to all. If you are under the weather, Get Well Soon, and I hope to see you all in the branch over the next couple of months.

**Cde. Ronn Anderson, President**



## LAST POST

*Heaven's gate swung gently open, the Master called softly "Come" and you Dear one took the Master's hand and your work on earth was done. We'll never cease to miss you and shed many silent tears because we cannot share with you our hopes, Our joys, Our fears. But one day in God's garden when the master calls us to come, You'll be at the gates with open arms and say to us "Welcome home".*

*It is with deep sympathy the Branch records the passing of the following Comrades since our last review. The Officers, Executives and members extend their heartfelt condolences to the bereaved families.*

**Cde. Hugh Buskell**  
Life  
Unit: Army  
Deceased 19 Jan 16

**Cde. Kathryn Arnold**  
Associate  
Deceased 13 Jan 16

*They shall grow not old As we are  
left grow old; age shall not weary them, Nor do the years  
condemn. At the going down of the sun and in the  
morning, We will remember them.  
WE WILL REMEMBER THEM.*



## Newsletter Submission

Please note: all submissions for the Newsletter must be typed or hand printed. Thank you

**Cde. Mike Thayer, Publicity**

### Mobility Aids

The Branch has a limited number of mobility aids such as wheelchairs, and canes that are available on loan to our members. If you are in need of a mobility aid on a temporary basis, stop by the Branch to view the items available and determine if one might meet your short term needs.

### SICK VISITING REPORT



**March/ April 2016**

**Deer Lodge Centre**

**Tom Love**

Doug Brown	Sleeping, left goodie bag.
Charles Yule	Nice Visit.
Maria Sawatsky	Moved to room 733, not in room. left goodie bag.
Peter Sawatsky	Busy with staff, left goodie bag.

**Golden West Lodge**

**Tom Love**

Elliot Armstrong	Good visit as usual talking BNN stuff.
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**Oakview Place**

**Jim Ward**

Olive Horton	Short visit.
Wes Wowchuk	Not in room, left goodie bag.
Ed Wall	Out of room, left goodie bag.
Marge Hewitt	Good visit and chat.
Yvette McGibney	Out of room, left goodie bag.

**Lion Manor  
Ken Morley**

Winnie Clouston Had a nice visit.

**Tuxedo Villa  
Al Coote**

Eva Mackay Very enjoyable visit

This is my report for the Sick and Visiting. Thanks to all the committee members, Ken, Al and Jim.

**Cde. Tom Love, Sick visiting Chair**

**Deer Lodge Veteran's**

Please take note. Any checks or donations made to Deer Lodge Veterans must be made out to the **Veterans Memorial Endowment Fund at Deer Lodge**. This is to ensure the money or donations go directly to the Veterans and no other organizations. Thank you.



**Ladies Auxiliary Report**

Thank you to those that brought in Soup Labels. For 2015 there were 1674 Soup Labels, thank you for your support. You can still bring them in.

At the meeting on 7<sup>th</sup> of January, both Freda Granger and Joan Faraci put in the Birthday Basket. That day was Freda's Birthday. We wish you both the best.

Annette Sul had a bad fall at home, she was taken to the Grace Hospital. Joan Faraci also took a tumble at home, but she is ok.

Our President Corinne received a Certificate of Merit for 29 years of service, Congratulations.

Spoke with Marion Schroeder the other day, she also took a bad fall at home. She was in the hospital, but is home now. She has been moved to Assisted Living, it will be a change for her. She is coming along ok.

For our Election we now have our list complete.

Kay McKinnon – Secretary

Jane Deller – 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice, also Membership

They both do a good job.

Jan Miller has not been out in a while, she has been a bit under the weather. She was out to our meeting, we sure missed her on the piano.

Also, don't forget our Bake Table, it is one of our ways of making money. Please contact Barb Criggie.

# 141 Auxiliary has closed, so we have 2 transfers coming in to join our Auxiliary. More information later.

Just recently Debi Pointkoski lost her Father, George Pioth on January 12/16. Our Condolences to Debi and her Family.

Spoke to Annette this morning, is home now and glad to be home. She will be taking it easy for a while.

Marjorie Martin has had a very bad cold, look after yourself. Our Secretary, Kay McKinnon also has a bad cold, take care.

## **June Clarke, Publicity Ladies Auxiliary**





## **Bar Managers Message**

On behalf of the staff and myself I would like to thank the members and guests for their support of the Legion in 2015 and hope you will continue to enjoy the activities available to you.

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank the staff - Cyndi, Jess, Brenda, Joyce, Janice, Sharon and Ron for their dedication and service in 2015.

To all a Happy St. Patrick's Day and have a wonderful Easter.

Happy Spring on March 20th.

## **Roxanne**

### **Advertising**



Just started a Business or need a little boost in you sales or services to get things going? Then why not advertise in the Legion Newsletter an inexpensive way to advertise your product. The Newsletter is read by 1500 plus members and their families that may need your services or product you're offering. Call the Branch Office at 888-2860.

Full page \$136.00

Half Page \$68.00

Quarter Page \$36.00

### **Marriage Commissioner**

Our Office Administrator, Debi Pointkoski, is also a Certified Marriage Commissioner. Please contact Debi if you want more information regarding this service.

### **SPORTS REPORT**

For those who don't know me, my name is Randy Morningstar and I am the new Sports Chairman/Rep, whichever you prefer, I have been a Legion member for 23 years and a member of St James Legion since 2001. I am also a serving member in the CAF, for just shy of 35 years. I look forward to my tenure as your sports rep and I am open to any suggestions or concerns you may have, and look forward to making our legion a fun place to hold and play sporting events and leagues!



Spring is right around the corner and it is almost time to dust off the golf clubs!



### **Cribbage**

District finals were held 31 Jan 2016 at West Kildonan Branch #30, our single representatives did very well; Barry O'Donnell came in first and Linda Morley finished third. In the doubles, our team of Barry and Linda finished first. Well done to both. They will be going to Roblin, MB for the Provincials March 11th-13th.



### **Curling**

The curling has been going strong and the playoffs started 24 Jan and every Sunday after with the final being played on 3 Apr. At the end of round robin play, R. Fissette's team finished first with 15 points. The playoffs are broken down into A and B side, the top four teams are in the A group while B group has the next six teams. If you are looking to see some good playoff curling, head on down to the rink on Sundays!



### **Darts**

The Wednesday night Dart League is still going strong, it starts at 1730 hrs (7:30) you can still come out and spare if you like, they are always looking for new players! The season is winding down, just a couple more months to go! The banquet has been scheduled for 30 Apr. The District play downs were held West Kildonan, Branch #30, and 13 Feb 2016. Our representatives gave a fine effort but came up a little short in going on to the Provincial play downs, better luck next year guys, well done though!



### **Winnipeg Veterans English Billiards League**

There are 10 teams in the league and we have two teams, St James #1 and St James #2. As of 18 Feb the first place team has 50 points with St James #1 close behind with 49 points while St James #2 is tied with three other teams for fourth place. The top six teams make the playoffs, well done to all players. Also, it is a huge feat in our league to have a player run a Century (100+ points), on 18 Feb, Steve Jones, of St James #2 ran a 110, well done Steve congratulations on your first Century! There is six weeks to go in the regular season before the playoffs start, good luck to both teams!

### **Senior Snooker League**



The senior snooker league continues to go strong and if anyone wants to go watch and have a good laugh with all the players, and join in on the heckling; the games are played every Wednesday and Thursday starting at 0900 hrs!

**Yours Fraternally,  
Cde. Randy Morningstar, Sports Chairman**

**Daily Draw Winners for January/February: R. Mills, J. Ward**

### **Entertainment**



### **Band Schedule, Bands for March and April**

MAR 4 & 5	DYNAMICS
MAR 11 & 12	RICKY REDBONE
MAR 18 & 19	CELEBRATION
MAR 24 & 26	DOUBLE SHOT
APR 1 & 2	THE MARVELS
APR 8 & 9	RICKY REDBONE
APR 15 & 16	DYNAMICS
APR 22 & 23	VINTAGE GROOVE
APR 29 & 30	CELEBRATION
MAY 6 & 7	THE MARVELS
MAY 13 & 14	THE ROCKETS
MAY 20 & 21	DYNAMICS
MAY 27 & 28	DOUBLE SHOT

**Please note that the new name for Whiskey Bent is Double Shot.**

The bands start at 8:00 P.M. on Friday nights and 7:00p.m. on Saturday nights.  
Please note that March 25 is Good Friday and the branch will be closed so the band will play on Thursday, March 24, 2016.

**Fraternally yours**

**Cde. Maryanne McGibney, Entertainment Chair**



## **Special Events**

Our Robbie Burns Day in January went okay. There were only a few people but they seemed to enjoy the haggis. Thank you to everyone who helped especially Corrinne Van Meer and Kay McKinnon who helped peel potatoes and turnips. That was quite a chore especially the turnips. I only cut myself twice on the same finger.

The Valentine's Day Dance was fun. We even had cupid fly around and make people laugh. Thank you Joel. You were great.

### **Next Event**

**St. Patrick's Day**- Thursday- March 17th

Stew- \$6.00 a bowl.

Purchase tickets from Ken

Please, if anyone has any other ideas for a special event leave a message for me at the bar or just let me know. I would always like to try new ideas.

**Cde. Betty Zarney, Special Events Chair**

## **Canadian Tire Money**

As all members Know by now, our Club sponsors the PPCLI Cadets. There is a small box located by the phone down stairs near the Canteen. If you have any spare CDN Tire Money, it would be greatly appreciated if you could drop it in the box. Once filled we will deliver it to the PPCLI Cadets.

## Over 55+ Club



Just recently spoken to Marjorie Romaniuk, has gone to her 3<sup>rd</sup> bout of sickness. She has been a member for years. She sent her best wishes to everyone. Very nice to speak to, we will keep in touch with her.

Our Bake Table is worked every 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday, if you can bake or sign up for a Saturday, it would be appreciated.

For those that turned in Soup Labels, we did very well. So keep them coming in. For 2015 we took in 1674 labels.

Pat Patterson is in Seven Oaks Hospital and he is waiting for a Nursing Home. We wish you and Myrt the best.

Our General Meeting in March is on the Thursday, the 11<sup>th</sup>. Please try to attend.

Marjorie Romaniuk is in the Grace Hospital on the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor. Hopefully she is feeling better.

Darlyn Mc Donald is back with us. She had her surgery and is coming along okay. She was out to the meeting on February 11/16. Nice to have you out with us.

## June Clarke, Publicity Over 55

### In House Draws, Meat Draw



I would like to see a good turnout for the meat draws in March. The first three Saturdays there will be Turkeys & Hams. So tell your friends and everyone. Come out and support our draws. Also I am always looking for help so if you can help with the draws on Friday or Saturday leave your name at the Bar Or see me.

### Cde. Al Coote, In House Draws Chair

## Ways and Means Chase the Ace



We had our Valentine's Day Basket Draw on February 13, 2016. The winner was Debra Forbes, who was happy with her win. I would like to thank Daurelle Wowchuk and George Morrison who donated items to the basket draw. I would like to thank Al Coote for helping me with the basket draw. We made a minimal profit for the branch given the time we had. Our next draw is the Mother's Day Basket. The Basket will be out soon and the draw date is May 7, 2016. If you know of any business or if you would like to donate to the basket, you can either leave it at the bar or see myself.

Our Chase The Ace has now commenced. The jackpot is currently at \$1,757.50. It held every Monday Evening. The tickets are \$5.00 for a strip of 5 tickets. We also have a 50/50 draw and the tickets are \$1.00 for 5 tickets. Sales start at 6:00 PM and close at 8:00 PM. We have our 50/50 draw first and the Chase The Ace draw at 8:15 PM. Why not come down with a group of friends and have an enjoyable evening with a chance to win some cash. I would like to thank Mike Thayer, and Al Coote for their time to make this endeavor possible. On Friday evenings along with our mini meat draw, Betty Zarney is holding a mini bake draw. She is raising money towards our 90th Anniversary and also for the Provincial Convention in 2017.

**Cde. Ken Morley, Ways & Means Chairman**

**BRANCH #4 LEGION WEBSITE**

<http://www.rclstjames04.mb.ca/>

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**BECOME A MEMBER TODAY**





**New Members for the General Meeting  
As of February 18, 2015**

**Ordinary New**

Frederick Lynds  
Derek Edward  
Nigel Osborn  
Bernard Desautels

**Associate New**

Terry Harnden  
Deanne Evans  
Timothy Fulcher  
Linda Flanagan  
Mary-Ann McCuaig

**Affiliate New**

Dale Wilkie  
Tyler Metcalfe  
Caroline Hepner  
Valeria Harper  
Marjorie Geisel

**Reinstated**

Richard P.A. Lacoursiere

**Transferred**

David Corcoran  
Jamie Bonner  
Jamie Hayes  
William Gibson  
Deborah Rostkowski  
Gary Sova

**Number of Dues paid for 2016**

**1098**

**New Members**

**21**

**Cde. Gordie Laing, Membership Chair**

## Membership Renewal

To renew your 2016 membership or become a new member of St. James Legion #4 the dues are \$50.00. Cannot make it down to the Legion? Mail in your dues with a self-addressed stamped envelope, and we will be pleased to mail your Membership card to you.

Keep up with the happenings at our Legion. If you want the bulletin mailed to you, the cost is \$10.00 per year and you will be one of the first to receive the bulletin delivered right to your mailbox six times a year.



### LEARN TO LINE DANCE

Monday, 1:30-3:00, Line Dancing, Beginner, Sheryl Fowler, Oct thru May  
Monday, 6:30-7:00, Line Dancing, High Intermediate, Kathy Arnold, All Year  
Monday, 7:00-9:00, Line Dancing, Intermediate, Kathy Arnold, All Year  
Tuesday, 7:00-9:00, Line Dancing, High Beginner, Kathy Arnold, All Year  
Wednesday, 7:00-7:30, Line Dancing, Intermediate, Karen Hodgins, Sept thru June  
Wednesday, 7:30-9:00, Line Dancing, Low Intermediate, Karen Hodgins, All Year  
Thursday, 10:00-11:00, Zumba Gold, Beginner, Karen Hodgins, Sept thru June  
Friday, 10:00- Noon, Line Dancing, All Levels Review, Kathy Arnold, Sept thru June

**Please note that all Kathy`s classes are now suspended due to health issues. Also, my line dance classes are now \$4 per class, Zumba is \$5.**



### SUPPORT OUR TROOPS

On your way downstairs to the main lounge, there is a wooden box marked “St James Legion Supports the Troop’s Family” if you have any spare change please throw it in to support our Troop’s family.

Also have a look at the wall behind the bar; we are selling items for the MFRC (Military Family Resource Centre” to help the Troops and their families.

Support your troops on Friday by wearing RED.





## Volunteers Needed

I would like to thank all the Members that have come out time & time again as Honourary Pallbearers honouring our Veterans that have passed on. I know it's a thankless job, but it is a real necessity. If any Member with a Legion Uniform would like to join this Elite Group, please advise me. My home phone is 204-889-8225. We are definitely in need of some more Pallbearers who are available in the AM and or PM.

**Cde. Eric Murphy, Services & Pensions**



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