



ST. JAMES LEGION #4 NEWSLETTER



March/April 2026



LEST WE FORGET

1755 PORTAGE AVE, WINNIPEG MB. 888-2860

Branch Officers, Executive & Appointments

Officers

President	Ken Morley	Entertainment/Service Officer
1 st Vice President	Rolland Fisette	House
2 nd Vice President	Jean Moir	Membership
Past President	Mike Thayer	Publicity/ Honours & Awards

Executives

Resolutions/By-Laws	Dusty Miller
Meat Draws/Ways & Means	Glenn Morrison
Scholarships	Pat Bonne
Sports	Ralph Burns
Special Events	Traci Wright
Co Chair	Pat Bonne
Sick Visiting	Heather A. Doroschuk-McSherry

Appointments

Honorary President	Art King
Padre	
Legion Lodge	Gary Pruden
Branch Pianist	Vacant
Recording Secretary	Chris Wallace
Poppy Fund	Ronn Anderson
Service Officer	Ken Morley
Sgt-at-Arms	Vacant
Cadets	Vacant
Website	George Morrison

Ladies Auxiliary

President Lynn Stevens

Office Staff (888-2860)

Secretary Treasurer	Teaky Sawatsky	Bar Manager	Roxanne Mills
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Legion hours Winter Hours

Sunday Closed

Monday Closed

Tuesday 9:00am to 12:00am

Wednesday 9:00am to 10:00pm

Thursday 9:00am to 10:00pm

Friday 9:00am to 12:00am

Saturday 9:00am to 6:00pm

Hours are subject to change depending on activities/events or number of patrons in the Legion

Presidents Message January 2026



Greetings to all Comrades and Friends of the Legion.

I would like to start off by thanking my executive for their help. This year is special as it is our 100th Anniversary as Legion # 004 of the Royal Canadian Legion, Manitoba and Northwest Ontario. During our upcoming Convention in August, there will be various celebrations at our Branch as well as other Branches in the city. If anyone has any new ideas that could help the branch, please feel free to either contact myself or leave a message at the branch. Let us hope that spring will be right around the corner soon along with much needed warmer weather. Finally, please come out to a regular meeting and see what our Branch is really about and a place where you can make a suggestion.

Donations: Ronn Anderson \$80.00; Ken Morley \$100.00; R. Wester \$100.00; Cathie Marzoff - Basket Draw Donations

Thank you much appreciated.

All the very best to the shut-in members and a get well quick to those who are ill.

In Comradeship, Cde. Ken Morley, President



House

let's start with flag poles : our flag poles were rusting out and needed replacing before they fell. Poles were taken down and we received new poles and hardware before trumps tariffs, but snow came and we could not put up the new ones till spring. Our boiler condensate recovery pump failed and we had a minor flood and very high humidity in the Vic Affleck room and old basement office. The ceiling in the Vic Affleck room was replaced thanks to volunteers; all other rooms were just cleaned up. The fire alarm system had a dead short in it and could not be found, turns out the hydro box cover was covered by stucco 3 holes had to be punched in ceiling to locate this box. Our key card entry system failed and is in the process of being fixed. All these problems were major and of course not cheap; all other minor repairs were fixed as needed.

Cde. Rolland Fisette, House Chair

Poppy Fund Donations & Honours & Awards

On Thursday June 18th at the General Meeting, we will be giving out Poppy Fund Donations and Honours & Awards. Anyone who is due for a Long Service Pin (25 Years Plus) will need to contact the Legion. Your membership must be in good standing. Meeting will start at 7:00pm.



We are Always looking for volunteers to help with Meat Draws, Door Entrance (Friday Nights) and other Events.



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 condolences to the bereaved families.

Cde. Vicki Hunter
Associate
Deceased 4 Jan 26

Cde. Tom Timlick
Ordinary
RCN
Decease 4 Jan 26

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.



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 need 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 need.

Canadian Tire Money

As all members know by now, our Club sponsors the PPCLI Cadets. There is a small box located by the phone downstairs 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.

SICK VISITING REPORT



For January/February 2026

**Deer Lodge Centre
Chris Aldridge**

Percy Rosamond I had 2 interesting visits with Percy last 2 months.
Now looking forward to upcoming Blue Jays season.

**Oakview Place
Jim Ward**

Ed Miguez Flu was going around, left goodie bag with nurse.

Thanks to the committee members Chris and Jim.

Cde. Heather A. Doroschuk-McSherry, 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.

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SPORTS REPORT



Snooker

Branch Doubles Snooker League is now into the 3rd round. Playoffs will start in April with the wind-up banquet on Thursday April 23rd at 1 pm, Cocktails at 9 am. Matches are Wednesdays and Thursdays every week between 9:30 am and 2:00 pm. With 24 teams playing.



Fun Darts

Every Wednesday at 2pm.



Cornhole

The Cornhole West League Wednesday and Thursday 6:30 pm.

Cde. Ralph Burns, Sports Chair

Newsletter Submission

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

Cde. Mike Thayer, Publicity



Next General Meeting April 16th at 7:00 pm.





Entertainment

Band Schedule, Bands for March/April 2026

Mar 6th	Vintage Groove
Mar 13th	Blue FX
Mar 20th	DMG Dance Band
Mar 27th	Retro Radio
Apr 2nd	Marvells (Thursday)
Apr 10th	D & he ShakeDown
Apr 17th	DMG Dance Band
Apr 24th	Retro Radio

Cde. Ken Morley, Entertainment Chair

Ways & Means



Baskets for Easter Draw are out. Tickets are on the table \$1.00. Draw will be on April 4th at the Meat Draw. Fire Pit draw will be on July 1st. Tickets are available at the bar, \$5.00.

Cde. Glenn Morrison, Way & Means Chair

Chase The Ace



Chase The Ace, 50/50 Tuesday night, ticket sales start at 6:00 pm. Pot is over \$3600.00.

Cde. Ken Morley, Chase The Ace

Texas Hold'em



Every Tuesday night, buy in starts at 6:30 pm \$60.00, Royal Flush. Sit and go \$30.00.

Meat Draws



Our Meat, 50/50 And Bottle Draws are going very well. Meat Draws are every Friday at 5 pm and Saturday at 2 pm. If you are not doing anything those days stop in for some draws. You could go home with some meat products.

**Steak Draws Mar 14th & Apr 11th Saturday 2 pm.
Easter Turkeys & Hams Mar 28th.**

The lists are up on the bulletin board. We could use a couple more Teams, if interested see **Glenn Morrison**. Should any Friday or Saturday Team need to change a date please contact another Team and do the change on your own. Just ensure the change is recorded on the posted schedules on the bulletin board at the Legion. Hope to see everyone out.

A big thank you to all the volunteers that help with the draws.

Cde. Glenn Morrison, Ways & Means Chair

Key Fob

If your key card/key fob is lost, there will be a charge of \$10.00 to replace it. If your key card/key fob is broken, please bring it into the office for replacement.

Special Events



Spring Flea Market May 3rd. See Posters

Cde's. Traci Wright & Pat Bonne, Special Events Chairs



**Branch 004
Winnipeg**





New Members as of February 19, 2025

Ordinary New

Associate New

N. Flaherty

Affiliate Voting

Affiliate Non-Voting

Re-Instated

Transferred

K. Drew-Roy

J. Wozny

D. McIntosh

N. Peters

Centenary

D. Seifreid T. Smith A. Singleton A. Wright S. Broomfield
D. McAlpine K. MacArthur Z. Bruyere D. Levesque L. Miller
M. Decorby E. Levonovich D. Perich C. Aubin M. Rubin
C. Wilson B. Stacey C. Cooke C. DeFord C. Fries
A. Stornel M. T. Sheridan J. Murray M. A. Sheridan R. Murray
L. Boulanger M. O’Roarty T. Thiessen G. Jeanson K. Mathers
B. Pritz K. Gabel D. Boychuk D. Snider B. Sharpe
R. Minkus M. Anania M. Martin A. Johnson T. Au
C. Janzen L. Anania B. Hadaller F. Liu R. Dookeran
P. McDonnell K. Boyce C. Tkachyk S. Novelli J. Wilson
K. Ness D. Kitson J. Klassen D. Penner I. Vieira
J. Hrabliuk B. Lanyon T. Lawrence S. Majetic D. Watts
A. Glynn B. Phillips S. Anthis K. Booth D. Wachniak D. Martineau
G. Scott D. Fisher G. Moar N. Curtain K. Hawks T. Dovey
C. Schembri G. Lench C. Hanlan P. Percy M. Giesbrecht J. Renaud
C. Low K. McArthur L. Flaherty S. Low R. Ewen P. Cannell V. May
B. Romas T. VanDean

New Members 89, Transfer 4. Members for 2026, 505

Cde. Jean Moir, Membership Chair

BRANCH #4 LEGION WEBSITE

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

New Legion #4 Email

Legion4@mymts.net



Line Dancing and Zumba

Line Dancing 1:30- 3:00 pm Wednesdays, Sheryl Fowler and Janice Reld. Drop in \$5.00. Sept thru June.

Thursday, 10:00-11:00, Zumba Gold, Beginner, Karen Hodgins.



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 into the box. Support your troops on Friday by wearing RED.



Volunteers Needed

Service Officer - If anyone would like to help and have a uniform, please leave a message at the bar and I will get it. We need some more Pallbearers who are available in the am and pm

Cde. Ken Morley, Service Office



Membership Renewal

To renew your 2026 membership the dues are \$60.00. Cannot make it down to the Legion. Mail in your dues with a self-addressed stamped envelope or add an additional \$1.25 to your cheque for postage, 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 \$15.00 per year and you will be one of the first to receive the bulletin delivered right to your mailbox six times a year. Due to the high cost of postage, if you pay your dues in person and would like the Membership Card mailed to you, please pay an additional \$1.25 over and above the dues.

You can renew your membership and pay online at Dominion Command directly. You will see how to do it on their website. There is an option where you can set it up to automatically to renew each You could also renew your membership as you have done in the past by coming down to the Legion and renew in person or mail in your dues with a self-addressed stamped envelope.

Cde. Jean Moir, Membership Chair

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Ladies Auxiliary Report

Our Ladies Auxiliary will be celebrating their 99th anniversary in May 2026. The Royal Canadian Legion Ladies Auxiliary originated during World War 1 to support veterans and their Families. Woman were called upon to assist wounded soldiers returning from the war. This established volunteering tradition that continues today. The Ladies Auxiliary continue to support the aims and objects of the Royal Canadian Legion.

After Laying the Ladies Auxiliary Wreath at the Cenotaph during the Bruce Park Remembrance Day Service I returned back to St. James Legion where I noticed severe rust and weather damage to the flag poles and base in front of the Legion. Thank you to Cde. Roland Fisette for getting an estimate to repair these Items. The estimate was \$11,000.00. Recently we presented Past President Mike Thayer a cheque for \$1,000.00 for installation of new flag poles. One of the ways our Ladies Auxiliary raises funds for the project is holding Homemade Bake Raffles twice a month along side the Branch Meat Draws. It all starts at 2 pm on Saturdays.

On behalf of the St. James #4 Ladies Auxiliary, I would like to express our gratitude to all those that supported us purchasing tickets and to the Branch volunteers who helped set up tables.

We will be holding our District #5 Ladies Auxiliary meeting in Lundar MB on Saturday March 14, 2026 at 1 pm.

Our Ladies Auxiliary Meetings are held the first Saturday of every month at 11:30 am at St James Legion in the Vic Affleck room downstairs by the elevator. (No Meetings July & August)

To all Branch and Ladies Auxiliary members, thank you for volunteering and making a difference in our World!

Lynne Stevens, LA President St. James Legion #4



