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Legion Mission Statement

Our mission is to serve Veterans, including serving Military and RCMP members and their families, to promote Remembrance, and to serve our communities and our country.

MEETINGS:

Branch 148 Executive Meeting	2nd Monday of each Month	7:00 p.m.
Ladies Auxiliary Br 148 Meeting	3rd Tuesday of each Month	7:00 p.m.
Branch General Meeting	4 th Wednesday of each Month	7:00 p.m.

The Branch does not have General Meetings during the months of July, August, and December.

UPCOMING DATES

LOUNGE SUMMER HOURS: The Lounge will be changing the Friday hours for the summer, from 12pm to 9pm – stop by and enjoy a break on the deck!

NEW! Bingo has returned to the Renfrew Legion!
August & September – First Friday of the Month (Aug.5, Sept. 2)
\$2,300 in prizes – doors open at 5pm

Tuesdays	Foot Care Clinic, twice a month
Saturdays	Weekly entertainment and Meal - please check our Facebook page or our website, listen to Valley Heritage Radio Coming Events, or call the Branch for more information

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT: Greetings everyone. I hope your summer is going well. Comrade Tena and I have just returned from a week's visit to Newfoundland. While there we visited Legion Branch 1 in St. John's and Legion Branch 56 in Pleasantville and bringing greetings from our Branch. We were intrigued to find out that Branch 56 had its own permanent chef who cooked breakfast, lunch and dinner until closing every day. We both enjoyed two fabulous meals of cod and cods' tongues. While talking with the bar steward we learned that she was from Arnprior and that I had buried one of her relatives. It's a small world. At our last General Meeting we welcomed some new members who have transferred over from the Arnprior Legion branch. They are certainly an asset to our branch. As we are heading into the fall season I sincerely hope that all legion members will strive to attend our General Meetings beginning on September 28. Enjoy the rest of your summer and keep safe. **President Bruce Ferguson**

ATTENTION NEW MEMBERS! Would you like to become more involved in the Branch, but not

sure who to ask or where to look? We are always looking for volunteers, for summer barbecues, assisting on selling tickets, clean-up/odd jobs around the Branch, or perhaps as a Committee member. Please leave your name and number with the office, either by email or by calling 613-432-6450. Many Hands Make Light Work!

FROM THE OFFICE: The office is now open from 8am to 4pm Monday to Wednesday and Friday. There is now a locked mailbox by the auditorium doors that is checked daily.

LAST POST: Our Deepest sympathy is expressed to the family of Affiliate Member Elwood Stafford. If you hear of a member passing away, please contact the office and let the Secretary know so that we can be sure to include them in the next bulletin.

"They shall grow not old, as we that are left grow old.
Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn.
At the going down of the sun and in the morning
We will Remember Them."

If anyone knows of any local Senior veterans who are not Legion members please let the office know.

GREETINGS TO OUR HOUSEBOUND MEMBERS: A warm hello to all of our members who are unable to visit the Branch:

<u>Bonnechere Manor:</u>	Louise Snow, Ruth Purdie	<u>Mirimichi Lodge:</u>	Cecil Code
<u>Island View Retirement:</u>	Bernadette Lacourse	<u>Arnprior Villa:</u>	Ben Kane

If you know of someone who should be included, please contact the office and let the Secretary know so that we can be sure to include them in the next bulletin.

PROPERTY: Everything is in good shape. There are a few small odd jobs to be taken care of.

Richard Fitzsimmons, Property Co-Chair

FINANCE – BLUEGRASS REPORT: From Friday July 8-Sunday June 10 the Branch sold 50/50 tickets at the Renfrew Bluegrass Festival held at Mateway park. 3 draws were held over the weekend with winners winning \$402.50, \$694.50, and \$111.00. Monies raised will go back to the community. Thank you to the volunteers who came out and helped sell tickets: Brian Snider, Nora Snider, Bruce Ferguson, Tena Miller, Rose Lafont, Rob Marsh, Damon Flegel, Tammy Dupuis, Joanie McNulty, Dennis McNulty, Ella Box, and Greg Walbeck.

Jessica Thompson, Secretary/Treasurer

HONOURS & AWARDS: Just a reminder – if you are missing any pins please let me know.

Rose LaFont, Honours & Awards Chair

LADIES AUXILIARY: The Ladies have no general meetings till September – it will be September 27. We will have our Provincial Convention from September 10 to 13 in Kingston. We have an upcoming late lunch to serve on August 6 and a wedding dinner and late lunch to serve on August 27. If you can help with these please call Rose at 613-281-0569. Our Zone sports dates are Euchre in Cobden on Aug 21, Singles and Doubles September 17 Eganville, Oct 2 is Cribbage in Deep River and Jan 21 is Team darts here in Renfrew. Don't forget you need to be a member in good standing to participate. Hope everyone has a good summer !

Rose LaFont, LA President

SPORTS: The sign-up sheet for the Dave Palfreyman Golf Tournament has been posted in the Lounge. The tournament is on Saturday, September 3 at the Dragonfly Golf Club, 12:00 noon shotgun start. \$70.00/person, which includes 18 holes of golf, golf cart and BBQ dinner at the Branch. No further information as of yet on Zone sports events, and I will pass along the information when I receive it.

Greg Walbeck, Sports Chair

ENTERTAINMENT: Our entertainment is doing well. We are once again serving weekly meals during Saturday entertainment. Many thanks to everyone who has come to the Branch on a Saturday evening to enjoy great entertainment. Please watch our Facebook page, our website or listen to Valley Heritage Radio Coming Events for upcoming events.

Fran Godin, Entertainment Chair

BURSARY: Legion Provincial Bursary Program is designed to assist students who are in need and who enter a post-secondary school education (including courses/programs of a technical and vocational nature) and pursue the same course throughout their academic years (maximum of 5 years). It is not intended to assist students who change courses in mid-stream without a valid reason. Students must make an application to the Ontario Assistance Program in order to be eligible for financial consideration under the Provincial Bursary Program. Applications to this program will open in early September.

Ella Box, Bursary Chair



YOUTH EDUCATION: The Legion presented the annual Grade 7 Legion Citizenship Award in June at Lady of Fatima School. Central Public School did not participate this year. This year's winner is Tyce Hickey.

Submitted by Ella Box

MEMBERSHIP: I hope everyone is having a fun and safe summer. Can't wait to see everybody back in September. Just a reminder to all members who have not been able to pay their dues due to covid you may now pay at the office (Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday, 8-4) or at the Lounge from 12 to 6, or you can pay online. I would like to take this opportunity to also welcome all new transfer from Branch 174 and a special thank you to all the volunteers who helped with the 50/50 at the Renfrew Bluegrass Festival.

Robert Marsh, Membership Chair

MUSEUM: Over the summer, I will be trying to organize the museum and having advertising for the general population of the County and to schools regarding our museum, and to view some of the WW1 and WW2 artifacts we have.

Robert Marsh, Museum Chair

SERGEANT-AT-ARMS: Hope everyone is enjoying a good safe summer. If anyone (who has a uniform) is interested and willing to take part in the colour party could you please contact me at 613-281-2729.

Robert Marsh, Sgt-at-Arms

SCOUTS: Hello from 1st Renfrew Scouts. Over the summer we are hoping to get all the hurdles out of the way so we can have the camp opened for September and we can bring in some money. September 19th is our plans to have our first meeting for Beavers, Cubs, Scouts and Ventures. Registration is done on line for youth or a Leader if you are interested. Any questions or concerns you can contact me. I'm the Group Commissioner and Beaver Leader for 1st Renfrew Scouting, Susan Fleming sue_is_bubbles23@hotmail.com or 613-433-9516.

Yours in Scouting, Susan Fleming

CONSTITUTION & LAWS & RESOLUTIONS: Resolve Clause of Resolutions concurred at the recent Provincial Convention:

Therefore Be It Resolved that a spouse of a veteran be eligible for The Royal Canadian Legion Ontario Provincial Command Branches and Ladies Auxiliary Bursary Assistance Program.

Therefore Be It Resolved that each Branch be permitted to spend up to \$25.00 per meal for a Veteran, Spouse Veteran's widower/widow and Caregiver up to two (2) times per year subject to the rules and regulations as noted in the Poppy Manual.

Ella Box

PUBLIC RELATIONS: Please keep our monthly calendars handy for information, and feel free to review our Facebook page (Royal Canadian Legion Br. 148 Renfrew) or our website (www.renfrewlegionbr148.ca) for current information.

Debbie McDermid, PRO

August 2022						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 CIVIC HOLIDAY – BRANCH CLOSED NORAD FORMED	2	3	4	5 Main Hall – Bingo, 7pm	6 Entertainment: Jerry Lee, 4-8pm Main Hall: Reserved
7	8 Executive Meeting, 7pm	9 CANADIAN PEACEKEEPERS DAY Foot Clinic	10	11	12 INTERNATIONAL YOUTH DAY	13 Entertainment: Lock Stock & Barrel, 4-8pm Main Hall: Reserved
14	15 VICTORY OVER JAPAN (1945)	16	17	18	19 DIEPPE RAID (1942)	20 Entertainment: Unwound, 4-8pm
21	22	23 Foot Clinic	24	25	26	27 Entertainment: Just Country, 4- 8pm Main Hall: Reserved
28 Main Hall: Reserved	29	30	31			

September 2022						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 LEGION EARLYBIRD CAMPAIGN/RENEWALS	2 SECOND WORLD WAR ENDS (1945) Main Hall – Bingo, 7pm	3 MERCHANT NAVY VETERANS DAY Dave Palfreyman Memorial Golf Tournament Entertainment: Lonesome Dreamers, 4-8pm
4	5 LABOUR DAY – BRANCH CLOSED	6	7	8 BATTLE OF MEDAK POCKET (1993)	9 CANADA ARMY RUN	10 Entertainment: Extreme Red, 4-8pm
11 FIREFIGHTERS' NATIONAL MEMORIAL DAY SEPTEMBER 11 ATTACKS (2001)	12 Executive Meeting, 7pm	13	14	15	16 MILITARY FAMILY APPRECIATION DAY	17 OPERATION MEDUSA (2006) Main Hall: Dart Tournament for Autism Entertainment: Unwound, 4-8pm
18 BATTLE OF BRITAIN (1940) Main Hall: Dart Tournament for Autism	19	20 Blood Donor Clinic	21 INTERNATIONAL DAY OF PEACE	22	23	24 Entertainment: Just Country, 4-8pm
25 POLICE AND PEACE OFFICERS MEMORIAL	26	27 Ladies' Auxiliary Meeting	28	29	30	