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DECEMBER 2014 BRANCH LINE

Inside this issue you will find.... what is happening this month... Committee Reports.... general information and a wee bit of humor too. We welcome your articles and will be more than glad to insert them in future issues. Thanks to those who have submitted in the past.

I would like to thank the Legion members and our community for joining us on November 11th. Our special thanks to Cde Norma Dudgeon for her coordinating the Cenotaph service again this year. Thanks are also extended to our Sergeant-at-Arms Robert Harrison and new Parade Marshall Mike Hobson for organizing the parade.

On November 11th pictures were taken of our Comrades receiving their Years of Service Pins and some other presentations. There will be more pictures in the January newsletter to share with you.

Please check inside for the hours of operation for the holiday season. I am happy to say that Branch 340 will be hosting a New Year's Eve Dance and the New Year's Day Levee....information also inside. We look forward to seeing you!

All the events happening at the Branch are open to the public so please bring your friends and join in the camaraderie.

At this time Bob and I would like to take this opportunity to thank our readers for your continued support and submissions to the Branch Line.

The Toy Drive will conclude on Saturday, December 13th. Please drop off an unwrapped gift to place in the Toy Box or a monetary donation in the Jar located on the Canteen Bar. Thank you for your generosity.

On behalf of the Harrison and Hestera families, we wish you a very Merry Christmas with your family and loved ones, a very prosperous New Year with health and happiness throughout.

The Editor



LEST WE FORGET





PRESIDENT'S REPORT



The holiday season is fast approaching and I would like to take some time to reflect on the past year. Many accomplishments were achieved this year and I would like to mention just a few. The Cliff Seaman Chili Cook-off was a big success in January and kept a lot of people warm and full on a cold January night. The Annex renovations went through the winter and were completed by April. Our Branch Golf Tournament went well in August with many people participating. September's Legion Week saw us celebrate our 70th anniversary for Branch 340. October Pumpkinfest Breakfasts were another big success we can be proud of and the November 11th parade and ceremony was one of the biggest I have seen here.

These are but a few of the activities we can be proud of at Branch 340. There are so many more that I would be missing many if I tried to name them all. All these activities require support from our members and we are blessed with so many people that step up to support time after time.

We will be having a Volunteer Appreciation Night in the new year to recognize as many as we can. I would like to mention a few that always step up to the plate: Joyce Chapman and her Ladies Auxiliary are front and center when it comes to support. Other people that constantly step up to support are: Tom Jacques (Meat Rolls), Eric McLeod (Bingo), Sharen Maas (Cards, Bingo and many more activities), Elizabeth and Blair Eby (BBQ, Pumpkinfest Breakfast, etc) and especially the editors of this Branch Line who seem to be involved in everything (thanks Bob and Rhonda). There are many more and I would like to thank all the people who make Port Elgin Branch 340 the success it is. Thank you.

On a personal note, Cynthia and I would like to wish you all health and happiness over the coming festive season. May you dreams come true and cup runneth over with kindness.

President Dan Kelly
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1st VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT



It's hard to believe another year is almost gone. I would like to thank all the volunteers who have helped us throughout the year. We could not have raised all the money we did which will help our community and keep our Branch in such a good financial position.

A special thanks to Blair and Elizabeth Eby for all they do and with their guidance we had a very successful BBQ season; an excellent Poster and Literary Contest and the highest record for the Poppy Campaign, over \$19,000. and still counting. Great work Comrades!

Looking forward to 2015, it would be very nice to see new faces on the Executive. Our Annual Branch elections are held in April, please consider letting your name stand for a position. Or, you can volunteer with the many Committees that it takes to run our Branch. Not only will you be helping our community, you will make new friends and have some fun doing it. Please consider helping the largest charitable organization in Canada.

I would like to thank all of you for your support in the past and I wish you all a very happy holiday and a wonderful New Year.

Cde Robert Harrison
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BURSARY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM



The Royal Canadian Legion Ontario Command
Charitable Foundation
&
Royal Canadian Legion
Ladies' Auxiliary Ontario Command



OPEN TO STUDENTS OF:

- *Ex-Servicemen or currently serving members of The Canadian Forces (Regular, Reserve & Merchant Navy) & their children & grandchildren; Commonwealth war veterans & their children & grandchildren
- *Ordinary & Life Members of The Royal Canadian Legion - children & grandchildren
- * Associate members of The Royal Canadian Legion & their children
- * LA members & their children & grandchildren

Apply early to avoid being disappointed!

Required Documentation

- *OSAP Documentation* *School Endorsement*
- *Bursary Assistance Application*
- *Membership verification from the Branch*
- *Proof of Service - discharge certificate/record of service*
(proof of relationship required)

Download the application from on.legion.ca



Contact your local Royal Canadian Legion Branch,
Ladies' Auxiliary, Financial Aid Office,
Ontario Command or Service Bureau Office for
an application



Applications must be sent to Ontario Command

Program opens September and closes the last Friday of March each year.

The Royal Canadian Legion Ontario Command
89 Industrial Parkway North, Aurora Ont. L4G 4C4
1-888-207-0939 or 905-841-7999 info@on.legion.ca

I am surprised at the lack of applicants for bursary assistance. Students can receive \$500.00 a year while in college or university. If you need any help with the paperwork please feel free to contact me.

Robert Harrison
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This year after our Remembrance Day luncheon the Years of Service pins were handed out to those who were present. If you did not receive your pin for this year and you are eligible, please contact me.

Branch 340 also presented the Town of Saugeen Shores with the "Legion Friendship Award". Mayor Mike Smith was on hand to receive this award. Our Town continues to be very supportive of our Branch and this award is our way of thanking them.

There was one 70th year bar and two 50 year medals to have been handed out but unfortunately the recipients were not in attendance. These will be given out in the future.



Cde Brynmor Walters receives his Years of Service pin for 35 years.

L-R Cde Mike Atkinson, Provincial Honours & Awards, Cde Brynmor Walters and Cde Blair Eby, Honours & Awards Chairman



Cde Charles Ellis receives his Years of Service Pin for 35 years.

L-R Cde Mike Atkinson, Provincial Honours & Awards, Cde Charles Ellis and Cde Blair Eby, Honours & Awards Chairman



Town of Saugeen Shores Mayor Mike Smith receives a Friendship Award on behalf of Branch 340.

L-R Mayor Mike Smith, Cde Mike Atkinson and Cde Blair Eby



LA President Joyce Chapman presents Branch 340 with a \$5,000. donation and the Cenotaph Fund received a \$1,000. donation.

L-R Cde Mike Atkinson, LA Pres. Joyce Chapman, Cde Norma Dudgeon and Branch Pres. Dan Kelly.



These are the names of Comrades that are entitled to their Years of Service Pins

ORDINARY				
5 Years	10 Years	15 Years	25 Years	35 Years
Vernon Johnson	George Goeree	Pamela Mather	Fred Bettink	Kent Bergstrom
Brett Luxon			Don Bullock	MG Button
Chantel Primeau			Eugene Horbatiuk	Charles Ellis
George Sicord			Chris Kemp	Ken Ingrey
			Bruce Leadbetter	Albert McKenzie
				Brynmor Walters
40 Years	50 Years	70 Years		
Jon Christmann	Diana Armstrong	Trevor Letang		
	Michael Pepe			
ASSOCIATE				
5 Years	10 Years	15 Years	20 Years	20 Years (con't)
Lisa Excell	Brian Cassidy	Ron Bell	Don Clemmer	Connie Grieve
Darlene Roscoe	Brad Davies	John Earnshaw	Mary Alexander	Leonard Holley
Deb Sullivan	Donald Dowling	Celeste Eickholdt	Todd Atkinson	Rena Kelly
Don Turner	Alan Gerrior	Tom Fenton	Ruth Clemmer	Rose O'Reilly
Lisa Wilke	Andrew Hill	Kenneth Nye	Jeff Crawford	June Rourke
	Cheryl Lawson	James reiger	Tom Dufton	
	Terrilene Plaunt	James Threndyle	Barrie Eby	
	Don Thede	Pete Tomlinson	Basil Eby	
25 Years	30 Years	35 Years	40 Years	
Bert Hatton	Gerald Beauregard	John Goluzd	Glenn Davies	
John Kain	Betty Earnshaw	Dave Grieve	Thomas Willins	
Sharron Roppel	Rhonda Harrison	Steve Pepe		
Tom Vokes	Ken Holdaway			
	Alice Kemp			
AFFILIATE-VOTING				
5 Years	15 Years			
Elsie Hammel	Tim Helmuth			
Alma Voyce	Paul Zorzi			

Blair Eby
Honours and Awards Chairman
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MEMBERSHIP REPORT



We welcome K. Roxanne Schwandt as a new Comrade to our Branch. Please extend a welcome when you see her in the Branch. Welcome to Branch 340, Roxanne!

The 2015 Early Bird Campaign has come to a close. Thanks to the members who renewed their membership within the Campaign period and which assists our Branch to gain a higher percentage for the 2015 Early Bird Award. **Dues will be \$50.00 starting December 01st.**

When you submit your payment it will ensure that your membership is paid up until the end of next year and that you will continue to receive the Legion Magazine without interruption.

We are always looking for people to join this great organization and application forms are available at the Bar. Bring a friend and sign up today.

If you or anyone you know would like a copy the newsletter sent to them, please leave the email address or mailing address with the Bar Steward and I will ensure that your name is added for future Branch Line editions.

Remember to keep your contact information current and inform me if there are any changes as soon as possible.

Sharen Maas
Membership Chairman
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POPPY REPORT



Once again this year's Poppy Campaign was a huge success. As of now, we have brought in over \$19,000 and still have more to come. A campaign this large could not come off without the support of many volunteers.

I would like to thank Elizabeth for all her help and support, from writing thank you cards to delivering poppy boxes and feeding our Cadets. Without her, many of the jobs that this Chair entails would not have been as easily completed.

Thank you to Anne Eby for signing canvassers, filling the store poppy boxes and delivering and picking up the poppy boxes.

Thanks also to Thelma Kennedy for helping sign out canvassers and counting money with the other money counters: Randy, Larry, Charlie, Merv, Sug (Jim Connan), Gord Kelly, Bob and Rhonda.

The call for canvassing volunteers was answered by many of our members and because of this our goal was met. Because the majority of funds raised come from people distributing poppies in stores, all those who stepped forward are to be thanked. Our Cadets were a great help again this year with 19 canvassing the first Saturday and 7 the next. These young members of our community showed great support for our Branch and it is greatly appreciated.

We are fortunate to live in a community like ours without support from our businesses and organizations this campaign would never get off the ground. Thank you to all those who purchased wreaths or made donations.

I would also like to recognize Norma for all the help she gave me again this year. It is a great comfort to know that there is someone who is so knowledgeable in the workings of the Legion and is willing to help out when asked. Norma should also be congratulated for organizing the Remembrance Day Ceremony again this year. We had a great turn out on November 11th and it went over without a hitch. On top of everything, it was impressive how she got the geese to fly over in formation during the two minutes of silence.

Once again thank you to everyone who helped out this year.

Blair Eby
Poppy Chairman
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SERGEANT AT ARMS REPORT



I would like to thank the members who have proudly carried our national flags at the many events this year.

I would like to get a few more people to help us out next year. If you are interested please contact me and I will explain what you can do to help.

Cde Robert Harrison
Sergeant At Arms
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MILITARY SERVICE RECOGNITION BOOK

As the "Keepers of Remembrance", Ontario Command is proud to publish an annual Military Service Recognition Book to identify and recognize many of our Veterans in Ontario, who have either served or are still serving in our Canadian Armed Forces, the Commonwealth or Allied Forces.

We invite you to visit your local Legion Branch to obtain more information regarding this Remembrance program and more importantly, to submit a story and photo of a Veteran. Everyone is welcome to submit a story, including Veterans, relatives or friends.

Drop off or send your histories and stories to your local Legion Branch early. We accept them year-round.

This project not only produces an annual Military Service Recognition Book, but also raises funds through a telephone appeal to the general public and through advertising sales.

The book publisher, Fenety Marketing, conducts a telephone appeal on our behalf to private citizens and the business community throughout Ontario.

The funds raised through the program will assist and support many important Legion programs and initiatives.

We invite you to share your story or the story of a loved one through your local Legion Branch.

Ontario Provincial Command

Military Service Recognition Book – Submission Form

Downloadable at <http://www.on.legion.ca>

Article courtesy of Ontario Provincial Command

The Branch has forms available for any one wishing to make a submission.

Rhonda Harrison
TOD Chairman
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Reindeer's Story at Christmas

According to the Alaska Department of Fish and Game, while both male and female reindeer grow antlers in the summer each year, male reindeer drop their antlers at the beginning of winter, usually late November to mid-December.

Female reindeer retain their antlers till after they give birth in the spring. Therefore, according to EVERY historical rendition depicting Santa's reindeer, EVERY single one of them, from Rudolph to Blitzen, had to be a girl.

We should have known... ONLY women would be able to drag a fat man in a red velvet suit all around the world in one night and not get lost.

There was a blonde who just got sick and tired of all the blonde jokes. One evening, she went home and memorized all the state capitals. Back in the office the next day, some guy started telling a dumb blonde joke. She interrupted him with a shrill announcement, "I've had it up to here with these blonde jokes. I want you to know that this blonde went home last night and did something probably none of you could do. I memorized all the state capitals." One of the guys, of course, said, "I don't believe you. What is the capital of Nevada?" "N," she answered.



The Youth Education Chair held our Branch Poster, Essay and Poem contest on November 2 in our Legion Hall. Very special thanks to our Branch Secretary, Rhonda Harrison for keeping exact notations of our winners at every level and in each category. Mr. Poppy, also deserves special thanks for his words of welcome to our guests and advocating the importance of 'Remembrance' in our schools. Thank you darling for helping me on this day!

We recognized 160 entries this year from 3 out of 4 schools participating. We awarded \$825.00 in prize money and established that our entries are by half since 4 years ago.

I will say, we have quite an assortment of budding young artists at our schools this year. For the most part they adhered to the guidelines outlined by

Dominion Command but still need to understand that 'black magic marker' is unacceptable on the black and white poster entries. If anyone reading this has a youngster participating in this contest, the black and white poster must be done only in pencil, charcoal or india ink. There are absolutely NO exceptions to this rule! All information can be found on line at www.legion.ca and click on the Youth link. Or, call your local Youth Education Chairman at your Branch for information.

Our judges consisted of retired Elementary Educators and some of our esteemed Legion members. Many thanks to Jack Chapman for your artistic eye, humour and organization. Brenda Collins and Donelda Thede were also judging for this and provided great information when it came to 'Canadian Content' in the artwork. I was very thankful to have the 3 of you as judges.

Lunch on china dishes came around and my lovely Branch ladies had quite outdone themselves with roasted beef and warm buns, caesar and potato salad. Carrot cake for dessert, tea, coffee juice and cookies. Many thanks Shirley Dadswell and Anne Eby for this. Seems our judges have reserved for next year! A couple of very cute young Cadets devoted some time to kitchen cleanup and floor washing. Again thank you and well done.

The Youth Education Chair will be hosting the Public Speaking contest this coming February 22, 2015 in our Legion hall. The alternative snow date will be February 28, 2015. The Zone competition is March 1, 2015 at the Hepworth - Shallow Lake branch. I am looking now for some bi-lingual judges, a couple to register the contestants at the door a scrutineer and a couple for kitchen detail. Refreshments and snacks will be available for our guests as well as light lunch for the volunteers on this day. Please contact myself if you are available to assist, I would be very appreciative.

Thank you to our Comrades that participate within our Legion and for taking the time to read our reports in the newsletter. We appreciate and welcome any of your thoughts.

PORT ELGIN LEGION ANNUAL POSTER AND LITERARY CONTEST

Advancing to Zone Poster & Literary Contest are:

- Primary: Black & White Poster Division – N. Dawson, Saugeen Central
- Primary: Colour Poster Division – H. Rana, Saugeen Central
- Intermediate: Black & White Poster Division – D. Parikh, Saugeen Central
- Intermediate: Colour Poster Division – B. MacLachlan, Northport
- Junior Essay: B. Huffman, Saugeen Central;
- Intermediate Essay: K. McGillivray, Saugeen Central
- Intermediate Poems: K. Kirkeby, Saugeen Central



Judge Archie Gillies assists with the Literary submissions.



Judge Heather Campbell reviewing entries for the Literary portion of the contest.

Pictured in the write-up: L-R Judges: Jack Chapman, Bonnie Armstrong, Ann Brannick and Nancy Rayner

Elizabeth Eby
 Youth Education Chairman
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	WHAT'S HAPPENING In December	
LADIES CARD CLUB Tuesday Afternoons Upstairs Hall Start 1:30 pm	IN-HOUSE CRIBBAGE 2 nd Tues. each month Start 7:30 pm	BINGO every Wednesday Doors open at 6:30 pm Bingo at 7:30 pm \$700. Jackpot
EUCHRE Thursday at 7:30 pm Canteen	DANCE CLUB Friday at 8:00 pm Upstairs Hall Cancelled Dec. 26 th and Jan. 2 nd	EUCHRE Saturday at 1:30 pm Canteen
JAMBOREE Sun. Dec. 7 Upstairs Hall - 2:00 – 5:00 pm	NEW YEAR'S EVE DANCE December 31 st Dance to "Crippled Duck" Upstairs Hall Doors open at 7:00 pm	NEW YEAR'S DAY LEVEE 2015 January 1 st 1:00 pm – 6:00 pm

Ten Signs of a Hangover

- You get it into your head that chirping birds are the Devil's pets.
- Trying to gain control of the situation, you continue to tell your room to "Stay still."
- Looking at your self in the mirror induces the same reaction as drinking a glass of fresh paint.
- The bathroom reminds you of the fairground cry, "Step right up and give it whirl!"
- You'd rather chew tacks than be exposed to sunlight.
- You set aside an entire afternoon to spend some quality time with your toilet.
- You replace the traditional praying on your knees with the more feasible praying in a fetal position.
- Your catch phrase is, "Never again."
- You could purchase a new fridge on the proceeds from recycling the bottles around your bed.
- Your new response to "Good morning," is "Be quiet!"

There is a lot of preparation that goes into Remembrance Day for our members and the community so that they can parade to Cenotaph Park to pay tribute to our fallen Comrades – this year, we had Mother Nature on our side and although it wasn't sunny, we were able to parade and pay our respects at the Cenotaph.

We have made arrangements with the Missionary Church for future Remembrance Days that if the weather is inclement, they will provide us with the old arena floor for our service. The space should accommodate Legion and community members.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the Shriners' Club for the loan of the PA system and to Terry Mills for all his hard work in assembling the equipment and dismantling it. There are many other volunteers to thank for helping to set up and dismantle all the wreaths but if I started listing names, I would definitely miss a fellow Comrade. But I will say a big "thank you" for all your help and support.

This is the second year I've had the opportunity to work with our Poppy Chairman, Blair Eby and it was a pleasure – everything was so organized.

I would be remiss if I didn't mention our new Chaplain, Rev Chuck Beaton who stood beside me at the cenotaph and led us in prayers – welcome Comrade Chuck to our Legion family. Also, another new addition this year was our Parade Marshall, Comrade Mike Hobson who kept everyone in step on the march – welcome Mike to the family. And didn't our Colour Party look sharp leading the parade – you make our Legion proud.

This year, we joined the Tolmie Presbyterian Church for their Sunday Remembrance Service and we had a good showing of Legion members to again, thank our Veterans.

On Remembrance Day, we received \$1000 donation from our Ladies Auxiliary towards Cenotaph Park and we sincerely thank them for we all know how hard they work to make this happen. They also had a very nice lunch prepared for us after our service.

We had another successful Remembrance Day and it's a time for everyone to say a silent thank you – something we should do every day for what our Veterans have done for us many years ago and for what our Veterans are doing today. There aren't enough words to express our gratitude.

Remembrance Day Chairman
Norma Dudgeon





CHRISTMAS WHEELBARROW DRAW



Port Elgin Legion Branch 340 is once again having a Christmas Wheelbarrow Draw.

The tickets are \$2.00 each or 3 for \$5.00. The Draw will be held on December 23rd at 5:00 pm at the Legion. The wheelbarrow will be full of everything you need for a happy Christmas dinner.



Proceeds to Port Elgin Minor Hockey and Port Elgin Minor Soft Ball Associations.

Your help is also needed to sell tickets; please call Mary Alexander at 519-832-9053 for the quantity of books you can sell for this great cause.

Tickets may be purchased in the Canteen or from your fellow Comrades.

Thanks again for supporting this worth while endeavour.

Mary Alexander
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Hilarious and Very Funny Drunk Driver Test

Paul, an accomplished juggler was driving to his next performance in Toronto when he is stopped by the Highway patrol.

'What are these matches and lighter fluid doing in your car?' inquires the cop.
'I'm a juggler and I juggle flaming torches in my act,' announces Paul amiably.

'Oh yeah?' says the doubtful cop. 'Let's see you do it then.'
Sighing, Paul the juggler climbs out of his motor and starts juggling the blazing torches masterfully.

A couple driving by slows down to watch. 'Wow,' says the driver to his wife. 'I'm glad I quit drinking. Look at the test they're giving now.'

A Different Christmas Poem

The embers glowed softly, and in their dim light, I gazed round the room and I cherished the sight.
My wife was asleep, her head on my chest, my daughter beside me, angelic in rest.

Outside the snow fell, a blanket of white, transforming the yard to a winter delight.
The sparkling lights in the tree I believe completed the magic that was Christmas Eve.

My eyelids were heavy, my breathing was deep, secure and surrounded by love I would sleep.
In perfect contentment, or so it would seem, so slumbered perhaps I started to dream.

The sound wasn't loud, and it wasn't too near, but I opened my eyes when it tickled my ear.
Perhaps just a cough, I didn't quite know, then the sure sound of footsteps outside in the snow.

My soul gave a tremble, I struggled to hear, and I crept to the door just to see who was near.
Standing out in the cold and the dark of the night, a lone figure stood his face weary and tight.

A soldier, I puzzled, some twenty years old, perhaps a Trooper, huddled here in the cold.
Alone in the dark, he looked up and smiled, standing watch over me, and my wife and my child.

"What are you doing?" I asked without fear, "Come in this moment, it's freezing out here!
Put down your pack, brush the snow from your sleeve, you should be at home on a cold Christmas Eve!"

For barely a moment I saw his eyes shift away from the cold and the snow blown in drifts.
To the window that danced with a warm fire's light then he sighed and he said
"It's really all right, I'm out here by choice. I'm here every night."

"It's my duty to stand at the front of the line that separates you from the darkest of times.
No one had to ask or beg or implore me, I'm proud to stand here like my father before me.

My Gramps died in Europe on a day in December," then he sighed,
"That's a Christmas 'Gram always remembers."
I've not seen my own son in more than a while, but my wife sends me pictures, he's sure got her smile.

Then he bent and he carefully pulled from his bag, the red and the white ... A Canadian flag.
I can live through the cold and the being alone, away from my family, my house and my home.

I can stand at my post through the rain and the sleet; I can sleep in a foxhole with little to eat.
I can carry the weight of killing another, or lay down my life with my sister and brother.

Who stand at the front against any and all, to ensure for all time that this flag will not fall."
"So go back inside," he said, "harbor no fright, your family is waiting and I'll be all right."

"But isn't there something I can do, at the least, "Give you money," I asked, "or prepare you a feast?
It seems all too little for all that you've done, for being away from your wife and your son."

Then his eye welled a tear that held no regret, "Just tell us you love us, and never forget.
To fight for our rights back at home while we're gone, to stand your own watch, no matter how long.

For when we come home, either standing or dead, to know you remember we fought and we bled.
It's payment enough, and with that we will trust, that we mattered to you as you mattered to us."

Author Unknown

A guy took his blonde girlfriend to her first football game. They had great seats right behind their team's bench.

After the game, he asked her how she liked the experience. "Oh, I really liked it," she replied, "especially the tight pants and all the big muscles, but I just couldn't understand why they were killing each other over 25 cents."

Dumbfounded, her date asked, "What do you mean?" "Well, they flipped a coin, one team got it, and then for the rest of the game, all they kept screaming was, 'Get the quarterback! Get the quarterback!' I'm like, hello? It's only 25 cents!"



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TURKEY RAFFLES & Assorted Meat Raffles

Friday December 5 8:00 pm

Saturday December 6 4:00 pm

Saturday December 13 4:00 pm

Saturday December 20 4:00 pm

Everyone Welcome

Bring your friends for a great time

We hope to see you there



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Legion  **Hepworth Shallow Lake Legion**
9 Legion Road, Hepworth



Christmas Fish Fry Dinner

with potato, salad, dessert, tea & coffee

Served 5:00 to 7:00 p.m.

Saturday, December 13, 2014

Special Band

Behind Bars

Playing 3:00 to 6:00 p.m.

Adults – \$15.00

Children under 12 – \$8.00

Take out available

Call 519-935-2902 for tickets

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Christmas Toy Drive



Be one of Santa's Helpers and make a child's Christmas morning a little brighter by leaving a new unwrapped gift (to age 14) in our Christmas Toy Box and under our Christmas Tree.

November 29 marks the kickoff of our Annual Toy Drive and will run November 29 to December 13.

Or, please leave a donation in the Toy Drive Jar and the Iota Phi Sorority can purchase items which are needed.

We are pleased to be in partnership with the Iota Phi Sorority, the Liv-a-Little Foundation and the Salvation Army.

All gifts will be donated to the Iota Phi Sorority for packaging and distribution.

Thank you for your kind generosity.



**Iota Phi
Sorority**

Clean But Amusing Angel Jokes

Mindy aged 8. 'I only know the names of one angel, he's called Herald.' Mommy sings to me the Christmas Carol: Hark! The Herald angel sings.

Peter aged 7. 'Angels don't eat much, but they drink a lot of milk from Holy Cows.'

Veronica aged 8. 'I don't understand about angels; why when a girl fancies a boy, they get an angel to shoot arrows at him.'

Bert aged 25. 'My wife's an angel'.

Don aged 57. 'You're lucky, mine is still alive'.

HOLIDAY HOURS

Wednesday, December 24
Canteen Open 3:00 pm – 6:30 pm



Thursday, December 25
CLOSED



Friday, December 26
Canteen Open Regular Hours



Wednesday, December 31
Canteen Open 3:00 pm – 7:00 pm
Dance Upstairs 7:00 pm – 1:00 am



Thursday, January 1, 2015
New Year's Day Levee
1:00 pm – 6:00 pm

***Wishing you and your loved ones Peace, Health,
Happiness and Prosperity
in the coming New Year***

New Drink?

A guy walks into a bar and approaches the barman, 'Can I have a pint of Less, please?' I'm sorry sir, 'the barman replies, looking slightly puzzled, 'I've not come across that one before. Is it a spirit?'

'I've no idea, 'replies the guy, 'The thing is, I went to see my doctor last week and he told me that I should drink less.'

2014 New Year's Eve Dance

Ring in 2015 with us!
Join us at the
Port Elgin Legion, 630 Green Street

Entertainment by
“Crippled Duck”

Doors Open at 7:00 pm
Dance 9:00 pm to 1:00 am
Luncheon and Party Favours
Door Prizes

Tickets available at the Branch
\$20.00 per Person
Everyone Welcome

Cde Annemarie Kinsman will be coordinating this year's event. She is requesting your assistance to help decorate the hall.

Please contact her if you have some time and she can explain what is needed to be done: kinsman@bmts.com

Classic Conundrums Each and Every One

A bicycle can't stand on its own because it is two-tired.
What's the definition of a will? (It's a dead giveaway).
She had a boyfriend with a wooden leg, but broke it off.
A chicken crossing the road is poultry in motion.
With her marriage she got a new name and a dress.
Show me a piano falling down a mineshaft and I'll show you A-flat minor.
Marathon runners with bad footwear suffer the agony of defeat.
When a clock is hungry it goes back four seconds.
The man who fell into an upholstery factory is now fully recovered.
You feel stuck with your debt if you can't budge it.
He often broke into song because he couldn't find the key.
Every calendar's days are numbered.
A lot of money is tainted. It taint yours and it taint mine.
Santa's helpers are subordinate clauses.
Bakers trade bread recipes on a knead to know basis.

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New Year's Day Levee

Thursday, January 1, 2015
1:00 pm to 6:00 pm

Entertainment by the

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**Join us for social time as we welcome in
the New Year with Family & Friends**

You are Welcome – Open to the Public



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	1	2 LADIES CARD GROUP 1:30 PM ----- GEN MTG 7:30 PM	3 BINGO 7:30 PM	4 EUCHRE 7:30 PM	5 DANCE CLUB 8:00 PM ----- MEAT ROLL 8:00 PM	6 EUCHRE 1:30 PM ----- MEAT ROLL 4:00 PM
7 JAMBOREE 2 PM – 5 PM	8	9 LADIES CARD GROUP 1:30 PM ----- L/A GEN MTG 7:30 PM ----- IN-HOUSE CRIBBAGE 7:30 PM	10 BINGO 7:30 PM	11 EUCHRE 7:30 PM	12 DANCE CLUB 8:00 PM	13 EUCHRE 1:30 PM ----- MEAT ROLL 4:00 PM TOY DRIVE ENDS
14	15	16 LADIES CARD GROUP 1:30 PM	17 BINGO 7:30 PM	18 EUCHRE 7:30 PM	19 DANCE CLUB 8:00 PM	20 EUCHRE 1:30 PM ----- MEAT ROLL 4:00 PM
21	22	23 LADIES CARD GROUP 1:30 PM	24  CHRISTMAS EVE	25  MERRY CHRISTMAS	26  BOXING DAY	27 EUCHRE 1:30 PM
28	29	30 LADIES CARD GROUP 1:30 PM ----- EXEC MTG 7:30 PM	31 NEW YEAR'S EVE DANCE Everyone Welcome  Happy New Year!	JAN 1/15 NEW YEAR'S LEVEE Everyone Welcome  Happy New year 2015		

~ Please join us for our various events and help support your Branch ~