

Branch Line

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Inside this issue you will find what is happening this month with 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. Anyone wishing to contribute to the Branch Line please submit your articles to Branch340newsletter@gmail.com.

Two important dates to celebrate this month....Wishing all our mother figures a very Happy Mother's Day and Happy Victoria Day to you as well.

Please see inside this issue for our recent Branch election results and thank you to those that attended the meeting.

Installation of the new 2023-2024 Executive Officers will take place on Friday, May 12, 2023 at 7:00 pm in the main hall. Zone C-4 Commander Rob Butchart and Zone C-4 Deputy Commander Steve Rice will be conducting the proceedings and all Branch members are invited to attend.

The 2023 calendar of events is included in this edition. Please keep for handy reference. You will be notified if other events are planned and unfortunately the dates are subject to change due to unforeseen circumstances.

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

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2022 – 2023 Branch 340 Executive

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	2022 – 2023 Branch 340 Ladies Auxiliary Executive
President	Diana Tripp (Servant of God)
1st Vice President	Annemarie Kinsman
2nd Vice President	Sharen Maas
	Diana Tripp
Secretary	Vicky Taylor
Sergeant-at-Arms	Annemarie Kinsman
Sports Officer	Linda Virgo
	Sharen Maas
Executive	Meryl Cramp
	Elaine Esplen
	Marilyn Noble
	Linda Virgo



Branch 340 Annual General Meeting – April 4, 2023



Executive Officers Annual Reports – 2022-2023

Each year at the Annual General Meeting in April, your Executive Officers present their annual reports to update the membership of what has been happening in their respective committee positions.

Your Executive Officers have been conscientious in their duty and working together to keep the Branch viable. They have been successful in ensuring that all Branch business, financial and otherwise, has been taken care of to the best of their ability.

Standing Committee Annual Reports

PRESIDENT'S ANNUAL REPORT – Robert Harrison

Branch 340 seems to have turned the corner after COVID-19. We are back to normal with our weekly and monthly events. Bingo and Meat Draws are doing well. Pool and Dart Leagues have resumed.

We have completed some renovations to the Branch and are in the midst of other repairs to keep it up to snuff. We have a new Nevada machine; our phones have been upgraded, new cash register machines and are changing our lighting to more efficient LED lights.

I am very happy to report that we are still in great shape financially and all accounts have been verified by our Financial Review Committee.

LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT – Robert Harrison

I have received little information from Command to help us this year. I will be bringing this forth at the District Convention and asking what can we expect next year.

I did put a few requests in the Branch Line bulletin regarding our annual election for members to think about joining the Executive with no results.



Please feel free to submit your ideas on how to develop our Branch to make for a more enjoyable place for our members, our community and to serve our veterans.

MEMBERSHIP – Craig Bell

Membership numbers have been great this year and to date, we have 412 members; we have initiated approximately 20 new members, have had 5 transfers into our Branch and 2 reinstatements.

This month, we have 8 additional initiations to complete and we hope this trend continues.

POPPY – Alex Taylor

Financial report to date:

Revenue:	\$ 674.13	Expenses:	\$ 22,868.53	Bank Balance:	\$ 30,991.66
Investment:	\$ 20,346.10	Donations to date by Poppy Trust Fund:	\$ 22,500.00		

Due to fraudulent attempts on our bank account in January this year, it appears that we will not be able to continue with Interac Transfer donations but we can continue with our AD Mail Campaign. Also, related to our AD Mail Campaign, the cards which outline the use of Poppy Funds are being discontinued by Dominion Command which means an additional cost for each Branch that uses these cards to attach a Poppy for insertion of the envelopes.

I will be retiring from the Executive Committee and as Poppy Chair at the end of May. I would like to give a heartfelt thank you to all those who have volunteered their time to make our Poppy campaigns over the past years a great success!

PUBLIC RELATIONS – Rhonda Harrison

2022-2023 events which the Branch hosted and participated with:

- The Branch was the venue for the annual Pumpkinfest Craft Show which was well attended. We hope this will be a regular event.
- Branch Poster & Literary Competition was held in November and we did receive a good amount of submissions from the schools. The public speaking competition was held in February with 15 participants.
- The annual Toy Drive and Christmas Raffle Draw were conducted with proceeds going towards youth programs in our community. .
- Members of the Branch and Colour Party attended the Remembrance Day service at the Tolmie Presbyterian Church on Sunday, November 5th
- Our Remembrance Day Cenotaph Service was well attended by the community. At the Branch, Honours & Awards were presented. Donations from the LA President were also awarded to the Branch and Cenotaph Fund.
- The Legion Colour Party led the Santa Claus Parade again this year and marched on the Colours at the Winterhawks hockey game.

At present, the Branch is open regular hours. The Pool and Dart Leagues come in weekly and the Friday Night Dance Club also utilizes the main hall.

Hall Rentals are forthcoming and our Chair is kept busy accommodating these bookings.

Bingo has resumed on a weekly schedule and events are well attended and Meat Draws continue throughout the year.

Friday Night Dinners events were well attended and will resume in June for the summer months.



The Branch Line bulletin is distributed each month and Trish Frizzell and Dave Munshaw continue updating the social media for the Branch. Our Branch website is www.Branch340.ca

At the time of writing this report Branch elections will be held and congratulations to the newly elected Executive members.

SPORTS – Gord Kelly

I am pleased to provide the Branch 340 Sports Report for 2022/23:

We had two teams enter the Zone Cribbage Tournament which was held in October 2022 at the Paisley Branch. Our qualifying team from the Zone Cribbage went on to the District C Tournament held on January 7, 2023, at the Wingham Branch.

Two teams also entered in the Zone 8-Ball Pool Tournament on January 8, 2023 which was held at the Owen Sound Branch. Both of our teams qualified for the District C Tournament which was held at our home Branch on January 21, 2023.

Once again, we entered two teams this time in the Zone Euchre Tournament held at the Tara Branch on January 22, 2023.

Branch 340 was well represented by our members at the Zone and District levels of tournament play.

YOUTH EDUCATION – Monica Carere

This year Youth Education was able to take part in the Poster and Literary Contest back in November and Public Speaking which just took place in February and March. We had many participants from all schools in Port Elgin that took part in these contests. We had people from our District that moved onto Zone level in each contest and even saw some first place and second place winners come from that.

I want to also thank Rhonda Harrison, Kathy Eastwood, Patty Kelly and Stacey Hobson for all the support and guidance that they gave me during my time on the Executive and wish the next Chair all the best in the future.

Optional Committee Annual Reports

BAR Report – Norma Dudgeon

The bar continues to run smoothly with our 4 efficient and reliable bartenders – Al Ellis, Don Dudgeon, Garry Winnitoy and Shelley Hewson; scheduling is to everyone's liking and there have been no problems. This year, everyone who has any association with the bar aspect will have to renew their Smart Serve as of 1 July 2023 – this is an AGCO regulation.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank our bar staff for their continued support to our Branch and for all they do behind the scenes.

BURSARY – Robert Harrison

Branch 340 had 2 requests for bursaries this year – up one from last year.

Bursary applications are down across Ontario; however, Command did receive a lot on the last day, March 31st. Hopefully next year will be better.

If you have any questions about this program please contact me at any time.



BRANCH REGULATIONS – Norma Dudgeon

Our Branch regulations will need to be updated this year with a few housekeeping issues to coincide with ON Command updates these past years.

The plan will be to work on this during the summer months.

CHARITY – Rhonda Harrison

The Charity Committee met to review the budget and annual donations.

2022-2023 Charity Budget was set at \$6,160 and includes annual donations of \$1,450. A budget of \$500 is set aside for miscellaneous charitable items.

Due to the generous support of our Poppy Fund and the Ladies Auxiliary, our 2 local hospitals have received funding for a total of \$8,250; Saugeen Memorial Hospital - \$4,500 and Owen Sound GBRHS - \$3,750.

We also held our annual Christmas Raffle gift basket. Tickets were sold by Legion members and friends and with the support of the Saugeen Shores Minor Hockey League. Branch 340 sponsors the Under 13 Legion B Team and with their help we were able to donate \$900 to help offset their expenses.

HALL RENTALS – Bernice Ribey

Hall rentals have increased this year as we were not able to utilize our hall very much during the COVID lockdowns. I appreciate all the help and guidance received during my term.



Branch 340 Election – April 4, 2023



2023 - 2024 Election of Officers: Election Chair: Dan Kelly

Election results:

President: Robert Harrison
1st Vice President: Craig Bell
2nd Vice President: Bernice Ribey

Executive: Rhonda Harrison Brian Henderson
Tom Jacques Gord Kelly
Janice Pepe

MOTION to destroy the ballots by Ken Martin / 2nd Mike Hobson CARRIED

Thank you to the following members for their participation with the annual election:

Secretary: Norma Dudgeon
Scribe: Patty Kelly
Chief Scrutineer: Ken Martin
Scrutineers: Gord Kelly / Janice Pepe
Sgt at Arms: Mike Hobson





President's Report



Our elections have been held and your new Executive will be sworn in on May 12th. Their term of office is June 1, 2023 to May 31, 2024. We acknowledge our outgoing Executive members and thank them for their term of service. We welcome our incoming Executive and look forward to working together. We have one vacancy remaining on the incoming Executive Committee. It is the President's prerogative to appoint a person to fill this position.

As you may be aware our present Poppy Chair will not be returning for the coming term. In light of this, someone with a good financial background would be an asset to help round out the team. If you are interested please leave your name with the Bar Steward or an Executive member to set up a meeting.

I am very saddened to report that our Ladies Auxiliary will be handing in their Charter to Ontario Command after 75 years of service. They have been an intricate part of our Branch raising funds for our veterans and community. Branch 340 will certainly miss them for all they have done not only for us but for the entire community.

Our Branch was well represented at the District "C" Spring Convention in Elmira. A lot of valuable information was received to help us move forward with the Branch. It was very nice to share some comradery with old friends and to meet new ones.

With each week we are getting busier with hall rentals and the Meat Draws have been well attended. Also, the Friday night meals will be starting in June and numerous maintenance projects have been completed and some are still to be started. These two items need volunteers in order for success. If you are interested in offering your support please let me know or leave your name with the Bar Steward and someone will get back to you.

I hope to see you soon at the Branch.

President Robert Harrison
bnrshow@eastlink.ca



Hall Rental



We look forward to you booking our facility for your future social events. Special consideration is given to the fee schedule when renting to non-profit organizations.

Family and group events/meetings welcome.

Please contact me for more information when considering a venue for your event.

Cde Bernice Ribey
Hall Rental Chair

1bernie@bmts.com or call the Branch at 519-389-9917 to leave a message





Honours & Awards



Recognizing valued members for their contributions at our Legion is an important part of the Honours & Awards Chair.

When you nominate volunteer members, based on their efforts of ensuring our Branch functions continue, we build strong and continuous relationships, and we build a stronger Branch.

If you know anyone whom you feel should be shown appreciation, please contact me with this members particulars and confidentially the Honours & Awards Committee will evaluate the nomination.

Cde Tom Jacques
Honours & Awards Chair
thjacques@bmts.com



Leadership Development






June 1st will see the new Executive beginning their term of office for 2023-2024. We thank the nominees who let their name stand on the Executive and past Executive Committee members for their year of service.

I mentioned at District Convention that there needs to be more information and direction forwarded to the Zone Branches and hopefully we will be receiving further information in the near future.

President Bob Harrison
bnrshow@eastlink.ca



		
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Membership Report



Please use one of the options below and get your 2023 membership dues taken care of:

1. On-line by going to **legion.ca** on the computer
2. Come into the Branch when we are open (3 – 8 pm Monday to Saturday)
3. Contact me at bellcr@bmts.com to make other arrangements.

Cde Craig Bell
Membership Chair
bellcr@bmts.com



Last Post



Cde Harold "Hal" Schwyer Veteran RCAF

***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,
WE WILL REMEMBER THEM.***





Poppy Report



Again, we have had a successful 2021-2022 Poppy Campaign and to date we have donated \$22,500.00 to help meet our Veterans' needs. It's a year around endeavour and this year's Poppy Campaign success means that more funds are available to be used to address their most urgent needs such as homelessness and PTSD with the Service Dog program. We appreciate any donations made throughout the year. Each year we have Veterans and projects that need assistance.


As always, if any member is aware of any veteran, whether a Legion member or not, who may need assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me or Trist Frizzell, our Branch Service Officer who can contact the veteran directly to assess any support that may be required.

We will look forward to seeing you, our members and friends, as we are now able to offer more events over the upcoming months. In particular, our Friday evening get togethers, meat raffles and other social functions at the Legion will now allow us with increased social interaction as we continue to strive to assist and comfort our Veterans who have served us so well!

Lest We Forget!

Cde Alex Taylor
Poppy Chair
Home -519-389-2616 or cell 519-385-0816
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<p>I'm so sick and tired of my friends who can not handle their alcohol. Last night they dropped me 3 times while carrying me to the car.</p>	 <p>I read the instructions manual and it said I needed a large screwdriver. So I got out the vodka and orange juice, but everything after that remains a complete mystery.</p>	<p>When older people say, "Enjoy them while they are young." They are talking about your knees and hips not your kids.</p>
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happy mother's day!





Ways & Means



Join us at the weekly Wednesday Bingo and you could be the lucky one to yell "Bingo". Doors open at 6:00 pm and games start at 7:00 pm in the upstairs hall.

Reminder....mark your calendar now for the May 20th Meat Draw!

The Branch will be hosting a Friday Night Wings event on May 5th. See further in the bulletin for the details.

We also need your help...with the shortage of "grocery bags" we ask that you bring your own "bag" to take home your winnings. Or, if anyone has any bags they would like to donate please leave them with the Bar Steward.

We thank everyone for their continued support. See you at the Branch!

Cde Tom Jacques
Ways & Means Chair
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Notable Dates for May 2023

The following are national commemorative and notable days of relevance to The Royal Canadian Legion that raise awareness of an issue, commemorate a group or event, or celebrate something.



- 1st Sunday [Battle of the Atlantic](#) (1945)
- May 1-7 [CMHA Mental Health Week](#)
- May 1-7 National Youth Week
- May 3 John McCrae wrote '[In Flanders Fields](#)' poem
- May 4 [Royal Canadian Navy](#) founded (1910)
- May 5 [Liberation of Netherlands](#) (1945)
- May 8 VE Day (1945)
- May 14 Mother's Day
- May 15 [International Day of Families](#)
- May 19 [Canadian Army](#) founded (1855)
- May 21 [National War Memorial](#) unveiled (1939)
- May 22 Victoria Day
- May 25 [Ypres](#) (1915)
- May 26 - June 4 Memorial Cup
- May 28 [Tomb of Unknown Soldier](#) (2000)
- TBD [RCAF Run](#)
- May 29 [International Day of UN Peacekeepers](#)
- May 31 [End of South African \(Boer\) War](#) (1902)
- May 29 US [Memorial Day](#)





Upcoming Legion Events



BINGO
Come Play With Us!

Port Elgin Legion Br. 340
Wednesdays

Doors open at 6:00 pm
Bingo starts at 7:00 pm
Must be over 10 years of age to play

\$700.00 Jackpot to be Won

Meat Draw

Saturday, May 20
4:00 pm



Please join us

Everyone is Welcome



Branch 340
General Meeting

Tuesday, May 2nd at 7:30 pm
in the Main Hall

As members, your presence is appreciated
for approval of Branch business

Please support your Branch

Tara Br. 383 May 2023 Events

May 13, 2023	LA Wings & Fries Supper - \$15.00 5:00 – 7:00 pm
May 26, 2023	Friday Night BBQ - \$15.00 5:00 – 7:00 pm
May 28, 2023	Mason's Breakfast 10:00 am – 1:00 pm



Your support would be truly appreciated, as all monies raised
are donated to our local charities



Port Elgin Legion Br. 340

Friday Night Wings

May 5th at 6:00 pm
630 Green Street



**Wings, Fries, Salad,
Cut Veggies & Dessert**

**Adults \$15.00
Child (12-15) - \$10.00**

Contact: Bob & Rhonda Harrison
bnrshow@eastlink.ca \ 519-389-4806



What kind of shoes
do lazy people wear?

Loafers.

Don't get mad at
lazy people. They
didn't do anything.

LAZY PEOPLE
FACT #35463098210

YOU WERE TOO LAZY
TO READ THAT
NUMBER





**District C Spring Convention
April 15 & 16, 2023
Elmira Br. 469**



District C Legionnaires gathered at Elmira Branch 469 for the Spring Convention on April 15 & 16, 2023. It was a full agenda of reports and presentations for the 2 days. The Council and President's Meetings were held on Saturday morning. A short parade and back to the Branch for lunch and the afternoon presentations. Topics regarding Service Dogs and Ontario Trillium Grants were presented.

The guest speaker for the Saturday banquet was Cde Ed Pigeau, Treasurer, Ontario Command. The Sunday agenda consisted of the Business Session, Zone Commander Reports, Committee Reports, District Commander Reports and questions to the Provincial Officers.



Presentations and Branch donations were also conducted on Sunday. Cde Alex Taylor, Branch 340, presented donation cheques totaling \$20,000. to Ontario Command for various programs and to District C Hospital Trust Fund.

Zone C-4 Branches were presented with Achievement Awards and certificates for Early Bird Renewals. Branch 340 received an Achievement Certificate for attaining 100% or more of the previous year's membership and an Early Bird Award for achieving 70% or more renewals.

Total amount of donations received from the Branches in District "C" was \$224,450.00. Congratulations were extended to all the Branches for their continued generosity to support these various programs: Charitable Foundation, Track & Field, Bursary, Service Dogs, RCEL, Leave the Streets Behind, Ruck 2 Remember, Youth Education and Poppy Fund.



We Will Remember Them **WWII Deaths of men in uniform from Port Elgin and area**

Norman Gilbert Hettrick

Surprisingly there were six men from Port Elgin that died in WWII while serving as members of aircraft crews in either the Canadian or British Airforce.



Norman Gilbert Hettrick – Norm was born in Cargill on May 14, 1914. The family moved to Port Elgin before he went to school. He graduated from Grade 12 and went to work in a local hardware store doing tin smithing and selling.

On June 20, 1940, he enlisted in the Canadian Air Force. His training took him to Regina, Windsor, Camp Borden and finally to Trenton where on January 24, 1941, he was made an Airman Pilot and promoted to the rank of Flight Sergeant.

On March 1 he left for England. There, he joined the Royal Air Force at the base in Wittering, on the south coast of England not far from Portsmouth. From this base the RAF was engaging the German Luftwaffe during the Battle of Britain and the Blitz of 1940-41. Norman was a member of the crew of a Wellington Bomber. The aircraft was a twin engine medium size bomber with a crew of six, consisting of pilot, radio operator, navigator/bomb aimer, observer/nose gunner, tail gunner and waist gunner.

It was on November 26, 1941, that Norman and his 5 fellow crew members failed to return from a bombing mission. The report reads, "Missing, Nov. 26, 1941. Operational Flying battle, Wellington full bomber equip; overseas cont. Europe. RAF 214 Sqd. Presumed Dead". The aircraft and the dead were never found. Norm and the crew of the Wellington they were flying are remembered on the Runnymede Memorial in Englefield Green in Surrey England. This large memorial garden has the names of 20, 456 members of the Commonwealth Air Forces listed. In all cases they have no other known grave. Norm is named on Panel 60. There are 3,031 Canadians named on the panels throughout the garden.

WE WILL REMEMBER THEM

Researched and written by: G. William Streeter





Korean War Sapper Veterans



*Are you a Royal Canadian Engineer
"Sapper" Veteran of the Korean War?
Or do you know a sapper vet?*

*We are trying to contact our Korean War
Sapper veterans. If you are one of these
vets, see:*
<https://tinyurl.com/KoreaSapperVet>



Email us at:
[Korea.Sapper.Vets@cmea-agmc.ca.](mailto:Korea.Sapper.Vets@cmea-agmc.ca)



*Use the same address if you
know a Korean War
Sapper veteran.*




**DISTRICT "C" – TRACK & FIELD MEET
SATURDAY, JUNE 17, 2023
Davidson Centre in Kincardine**



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED IN THE FOLLOWING AREAS: NO EXPERIENCE NECESSARY

Results Personnel
Photo Timer Assistant
Starter's Assistants
First Aid
Hurdles Crew/Block Crew
Discus/Hammer
Lunch Persons

Timers
Set-up/Runners
Announcers
Awards Notification
Long Jump
Shot Put
Food/Water Personnel

Starters
Track Referee
High Jump
Extras
Triple Jump
Javelin
Field Referee

Dress code is casual. Wear comfortable shoes; bring your lawn chair, umbrella, sunscreen and a huge smile. Lunch provided for volunteers. Contact any of the following if you can volunteer for this program:

Crystal Taylor, District Chair
Brenda Funston, Assistant Chair
Teresa Funston, Zone Chair

jctaylor@tcc.on.ca
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Branch 340
Annual Hospital Donations – April 4, 2023



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 <p>Photo courtesy of Saugeen Times</p>	 <p>Photo courtesy of Saugeen Times</p>
<p>L-R: Rhonda Harrison, Charity Chair; Amy McKinnon, Owen Sound Regional Hospital Foundation; Alex Taylor, Poppy Chair and Vicky Taylor, LA Executive.</p> <p>The Owen Sound Hospital received \$4,050 for equipment needs.</p>	<p>L-R: Vicky Taylor, LA Executive; Stacey Catalano, Board Chair, Saugeen Memorial Hospital Foundation and Alex Taylor, Poppy Chair</p> <p>The Saugeen Memorial Hospital received \$4,500 for equipment needs.</p>

Amy McKinnon, Executive Director, Grey Bruce Health Services:

- Funds donated will support an updated medical charting system for oncology patients. There are over 20,000 oncology and chemotherapy visits annually and each visit requires charting to capture an accurate record. The better connected upgraded system will result in healthcare teams spending less time charting and more time with patients. It will mean accurate real-time updates instantly available in one comprehensive medical chart.
- Amy MacKinnon, also received a cheque for \$300 for the Oncology Unit from Rhonda Harrison, Charity Chair

Tracy Murray, Executive Director, Saugeen Memorial Hospital Foundation:

- The Saugeen Memorial Hospital Foundation is grateful for the ongoing support we receive from the Ladies Auxiliary and the Poppy Fund. This year the funds received will help support the purchase of Cardiac monitors for the inpatient unit at the hospital. These monitors will help improve care for our inpatients. This generous donation will contribute to more comfortable patient stays and improved healthcare experiences at Saugeen Memorial Hospital.



Handprints on the Wall

One day as I was picking the toys up off the floor, I noticed a small hand print on the wall beside the door.

I knew that it was something that I'd seen most every day, but this time when I saw it there I wanted it to stay.

Then tears welled up inside my eyes, I knew it wouldn't last for every mother knows her children grow up way too fast.

Just then I put my chores aside and held my children tight. I sang to them sweet lullabies and rocked into the night.

Sometimes we take for granted, all those things that seem so small. Like one of God's great treasures... A small hand print on the wall.





WHY GOD MADE MOMS

Answers given by 2nd grade school children to the following questions:

Why did God make mothers?

1. She's the only one who knows where the scotch tape is.
2. Mostly to clean the house.
3. To help us out of there when we were getting born.

How did God make mothers?

1. He used dirt, just like for the rest of us.
2. Magic plus super powers and a lot of stirring.
3. God made my mom just the same like he made me. He just used bigger parts.

What ingredients are mothers made of?

1. God makes mothers out of clouds and angel hair and everything nice in the world and one dab of mean.
2. They had to get their start from men's bones. Then they mostly use string, I think.

Why did God give you your mother and not some other mom?

1. We're related.
2. God knew she likes me a lot more than other people's mom like me.

What kind of a little girl was your mom?

1. My mom has always been my mom and none of that other stuff.
2. I don't know because I wasn't there, but my guess would be pretty bossy.
3. They say she used to be nice.

What did mom need to know about dad before she married him?

1. His last name.
2. She had to know his background. Like is he a crook? Does he get drunk on beer?
3. Does he make at least \$800 a year? Did he say NO to drugs and YES to chores?

Why did your mom marry your dad?

1. My dad makes the best spaghetti in the world. And my mom eats a lot.
2. She got too old to do anything else with him.
3. My grandma says that mom didn't have her thinking cap on.

Who's the boss at your house?

1. Mom doesn't want to be boss, but she has to because dad's such a goof ball.
2. Mom. You can tell by room inspection. She sees the stuff under the bed.
3. I guess mom is, but only because she has a lot more to do than dad.

What's the difference between moms and dads?

1. Moms work at work and work at home and dads just go to work at work.
2. Moms know how to talk to teachers without scaring them.
3. Dads are taller and stronger, but moms have all the real power because that's who you got to ask if you want to sleep over at your friends.
4. Moms have magic; they make you feel better without medicine.

What does your mom do in her spare time?

1. Mothers don't do spare time.
2. To hear her tell it, she pays bills all day long.

What would it take to make your mom perfect?

1. On the inside she's already perfect. Outside, I think some kind of plastic surgery.
2. Diet. You know, her hair. I'd diet, maybe blue.

If you could change one thing about your mom, what would it be?

1. She has this weird thing about me keeping my room clean. I'd get rid of that.
2. I'd make my mom smarter. Then she would know it was my sister who did it not me.
3. I would like for her to get rid of those invisible eyes on the back of her head.



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2023 - MONTHLY EVENTS (Event Dates subject to change)

Statutory Holidays

Meat Draws

BBQ/Dinners

Bingo

APRIL 2023							MAY 2023							JUNE 2023						
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OCTOBER 2023							NOVEMBER 2023							DECEMBER 2023						
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**Join us on May 5th for our first
Friday Wing Night**

