



**Port Elgin Legion  
Branch 340**

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# **AUGUST 2012**

# **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.

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Legion Week isn't too far off – which is held annually on the third week of September. If you have any suggestions or events that you would like to see happen, please submit your ideas with the Bar Steward or let one of your Executive Committee members know.

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Please read the article for the Early Bird Campaign, which starts September 01 and runs to the end of November. Your Branch needs your support to receive the highest Early Bird Award for 2013. There have been changes in the per capita tax that is paid for each member.

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As a reminder, the next General Meeting will be held on September 04<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 pm. The Ladies Auxiliary will have their Meeting on September 11<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 pm.

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*The Editor*



**LEST WE FORGET**



## **MEMBERSHIP**

### **2013 ANNUAL EARLY BIRD CAMPAIGN – SEPTEMBER 01<sup>ST</sup> – NOVEMBER 30<sup>TH</sup>**

A reminder that the Early Bird Campaign for the 2013 Membership will be starting next month. This year our Branch received a 65+% Award for renewals, but I am convinced that we can get an even higher percentage for 2013. When you renew your 2013 membership during the Campaign the dues remain at \$45.00, but if you pay December 01<sup>st</sup> the dues will be increased to \$50.00 up to August 31<sup>st</sup> the following year. We are counting on you – please don't leave paying your membership too late. We value your support and encourage you to continue your membership in our great organization.

Branches have now been notified of the increase in per capita tax for 2013.

### **ONTARIO COMMAND**

**THE PER CAPITA TAX RATE FOR 2013 FOR ALL MEMBERS IN ONTARIO COMMAND IS \$32.37.**

<b>\$11.00</b>	<b>- PROVINCIAL COMMAND</b>
<b>\$10.65</b>	<b>- DOMINION COMMAND</b>
<b><u>\$10.72</u></b>	<b>- <u>LEGION MAGAZINE (\$9.49 + HST)</u></b>
<b>\$32.37</b>	<b>- TOTAL REMITTANCE FOR 2013</b>

Remember, the Early Bird gets the Reward!!

Last Post: B.F. George

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### **PROPERTY COMMITTEE**

As you may have noticed there has been more maintenance done around the Branch. Recently, the kitchen was updated with a new window and progress is being made on the air conditioner being moved within the kitchen.

This is work in progress as I am presently playing "catch-up" and there have been a lot of little jobs to do. I continue to thank the members for their patience and to the volunteers who are eager to help as much as they can.

George Sicord  
[sicordg@eastlink.ca](mailto:sicordg@eastlink.ca)

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### **ENTERTAINMENT**

Entertainment will be booked for the remaining long weekends this year. Posters will be displayed to announce the dates and watch for the "What's Happening" notice in the Shoreline Beacon for details.

Dan Kelly / Pam Smith  
Coordinators  
[dankelly@bmts.com](mailto:dankelly@bmts.com)



A very sincere thank you to the Thursday Night Euchre Card Group for the recent donation of \$500.00. Thanks to the organizing members Sharen Maas and Shirley Dadswell and to all the weekly card players for their continuing contributions to the Branch. This money will be earmarked for the purchase of card tables for the Euchre players.

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### **More Laws of Golf....**

**LAW 11:** Golf carts always run out of juice at the farthest point from the Clubhouse.

**LAW 12:** A golfer hitting into your group will always be bigger than anyone in your group. Likewise, a group you accidentally hit into will consist of a football player, a professional wrestler, a convicted murderer and an IRS agent -- or some similar combination.

**LAW 13:** All 3-woods are demon-possessed.

**LAW 14:** Golf balls from the same "sleeve" tend to follow one another, particularly out of bounds or into the water.

**LAW 15:** A severe slice is a thing of awesome power and beauty.

**LAW 16:** "Nice lag" can usually be translated to "lousy putt." Similarly, "tough break" can usually be translated "way to miss an easy one, sucker."

**LAW 17:** The person you would most hate to lose to will always be the one who beats you.

**LAW 18:** The last three holes of a round will automatically adjust your score to what it really should be.

**LAW 19:** Golf should be given up at least twice per month.

**LAW 20:** All vows taken on a golf course shall be valid only until the sunset.

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As the Travel Insurance Member Benefit Package Partner of the Royal Canadian Legion, Medipac Travel insurance covers most stable Pre-existing Conditions, regardless of age, and offers Legion members several options and discounts to help save money when purchasing travel insurance.

As a special offer they are offering a 5% Early Bird Discount - Deadline of August 13<sup>th</sup>, 2012.

For more information call 1-888-633-4722 or visit their website at [www.medipac.com](http://www.medipac.com).

Ross Quigley, CEO  
Medipac Travel Insurance

## LEGION BARBECUE – Friday, July 27<sup>th</sup>, 2012



It was a lovely Friday evening and members joined together at the Branch for the 1<sup>st</sup> monthly barbecue.

Cde Dan Kelly took the lead and organized the affair and with your support will continue to be an on-going event.

Pictured is Chef Larry ready to serve....

Hi Randy!!!!



Hungry anyone?

The fella's waiting in line for their delicious and juicy burger.

Chef Larry did a great job in feeding the many!

Thanks Larry!!  
(aka "Skin")

It was a very good turn-out for our first monthly barbecue. Chef Larry did well to keep up with the hearty appetites. We thank everyone for showing their support and joining us this day.

Give yourself a pat on the back as we raised \$200.00 for our Cenotaph Fund. The next barbecue will be held on Friday, September 21<sup>st</sup> at 4:00 pm.

Dan Kelly  
PRO  
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We just celebrated our 50<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary.  
All our lives together I said, "When we reach 50 I'm taking you on a month cruise around South America,"  
So, I did.  
And now that it's six months since I left that ship - IF she promises to be very, very good for the next 50 years - I will go back and bring her off that ship.



I was going out the door and said to my spouse, "I'm going to Ralph's to check the lottery tickets for the last draw."  
"Well, IF we win the \$32million, will you still love me and share it with me?" She asked.  
"Of course," said I, "But I will miss you!"  
"When will you miss me," she asked, sweetly.  
"When I'm walking up the gangplank - carrying my own suitcases!"

Submitted by,  
Ex- L/Cpl Crossling M., 1st Royal Dragoons, BAOR.



## WHAT'S HAPPENING



### LADIES CARD CLUB

Tuesday Afternoons  
Upstairs Hall  
Start 1:30 pm

### IN-HOUSE CRIBBAGE

2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each month  
Start 7:30 pm  
Canteen

### 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

### EUCHRE

Saturday at 1:30 pm  
Canteen

## ENTERTAINMENT

**Saturday, September 01st  
8:00 pm – Midnight**

**SILVER RIVER BAND  
Willy Muholland**

# Bus Trip To **Grand River Casino, Elora & St. Jacob's Farmers Market**

This is a Fund Raiser Bus Trip for the Port Elgin Legion Building Fund

**Saturday, September 8<sup>th</sup>**



Visit the St. Jacobs Farmers Market & Outlet Mall in the morning.  
*\*There is oodles of space on the coach for your purchases.\**

**Cost: \$25. (includes HST)  
Receive \$10. in Casino Bonus**

**Departing from the Port Elgin Plex at 9:00 a.m.  
Returning from Elora to Port Elgin Approx. 8:00 p.m.**

**Stop at the Walkerton Legion on Return**

Purchase your tickets in person during Canteen Hours.

Event is for Members and Non-Members



**PORTE ELGIN LEGION BR. 340**  
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## **“Annual Don Caloren Memorial” Golf Tournament**

***Saturday August 18, 2012***

***Holiday Golf Course (Tri-Par) – Port Elgin***

***Golf begins at 09:00 am***

***\$30.00 Entry Fee per person includes  
Golf /Light Lunch and Prizes***

*Sign-up Sheet will be available soon at the Bar.  
Please pay in advance*

**OPEN TO THE PUBLIC**

**\* Deadline to register is August 11, 2012 \***  
(To arrange for meals and prizes)



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5	6 <b>AUGUST CIVIC HOLIDAY</b>	7	8 <b>BINGO</b> 7:30 PM	9 <b>EUCHRE</b> 7:30 PM	10 <b>DANCE CLUB</b> 8:00 PM	11 <b>EUCHRE</b> 1:30 PM
12	13	14 <b>IN-HOUSE CRIBBAGE</b> 7:30 PM	15 <b>BINGO</b> 7:30 PM	16 <b>EUCHRE</b> 7:30 PM	17 <b>DANCE CLUB</b> 8:00 PM	18 <b>EUCHRE</b> 1:30 PM MEAT ROLL 4:00 PM
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26	27	28 <b>EXEC. MTG</b> 7:30 PM	29 <b>BINGO</b> 7:30 PM	30 <b>EUCHRE</b> 7:30 PM	31 <b>DANCE CLUB</b> 8:00 PM	SEPT 01 <b>EUCHRE</b> 1:30 PM MEAT ROLL 4:00 PM <b>ENTERTAINMENT</b> 8 PM - MIDNIGHT

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

**\*\* The General Meetings for the Branch and Ladies Auxiliary have been cancelled  
for the months of July and August \*\***