



**Royal Canadian Legion**        **Port Elgin Branch 340**

# Branch Line

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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. Anyone wishing to contribute to the Branch Line, please submit your articles to [Branch340newsletter@gmail.com](mailto:Branch340newsletter@gmail.com).

Thanks to everyone who supported the Annual Toy Drive and the Christmas Raffle Draw. We appreciate the support for these two worthy community youth projects.

Please maintain COVID safety protocols - washing hands frequently, wear your mask and practice social distancing.

From our family we wish you a Happy New Year with hope that you will have many blessings in the year to come.

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## President's Report



It's been a very challenging year at the Branch. With all the lock-downs, re-openings and just to be shut down again. However, I am optimistic for the New Year when we can all get back to some normalcy in our lives and put this all behind us.

I would like to thank all of our volunteers who have helped to keep the Branch viable during the hard times; without you we would not be open.

Special thanks to our Executive members who have remained steadfast in their elected positions and helped your Branch through these uncertain times.

The New Year will have its share of challenges, some easy, some not so easy but if we all pull together I am sure we will all have a good new year ahead of us.

So, here is to the New Year, may it be full of friends, happiness and prosperity.

President Robert Harrison  
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## Bursary Program



Now is the best time to apply for a bursary. Students have to verify that they are in second semester before they mail their application to Ontario Command.

To verify enrollment in the second semester they can use the following: Verification of Enrollment; Confirmation of Enrollment or an unofficial transcript. These 3 documents can be printed from a student's on-line profile.

If you have any questions or need assistance please call me at 519-389-4806.

Cde Robert Harrison  
Bursary Chairman  
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**The main function  
of the little toe on your foot  
is to make sure that  
all the furniture in the house  
is in place.**





## Hall Rentals



### **NOTE: Hall rentals have been suspended until further notice**

Once this COVID-19 pandemic is over 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.

Please contact Norma Dudgeon at the Legion phone number (519) 389-9917 or email: [Branch340@eastlink.ca](mailto:Branch340@eastlink.ca)



## 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 H&A Committee will evaluate the nomination.

On Remembrance Day, Years of Service Pins were announced. Please check the listing and if you are a recipient, please contact me.



<b>2021 Years of Service Pin List:</b> <b>If you were not in attendance on Remembrance Day to receive your pin,</b> <b>please contact me</b>				
		<b>ORDINARY</b>		
<b><u>5 Years</u></b>	<b><u>10 Years</u></b>	<b><u>15 Years</u></b>	<b><u>20 Years</u></b>	<b><u>35 Years</u></b>
Tammi Morash	Dave Kinsman	Roger Goulet	Ralph Zadow	Merv Brand
Andre Robert	Brent Luxon	Derek Hamer		
Alice Winter	Jim Spaetzel	Charles Wanner		
	Ed Wahrbickler			
<b><u>50 Years</u></b>	<b><u>60 Years</u></b>			
H C Horsnell	Norman Kaufman			
	Tom Steel			
		<b>ASSOCIATE</b>		
<b><u>5 Years</u></b>	<b><u>10 Years</u></b>	<b><u>15 Years</u></b>	<b><u>20 Years</u></b>	<b><u>25 Years</u></b>
Susan Hamer	Earl Anderson	Shirley Dadswell	Bill Inkster	Steve Caloren
Peter Harrington	Martin Corbett	Mike Myatt	Lyle Lawson	Todd Eby
John Morris	Sean Fowler		Carol Purbrick	Bill White
Scott Thede	Anne Marie Kinsman		Bob Sturgeon	Brad White
	Brinda Muth		Peter Tomlinson	
<b><u>30 Years</u></b>	<b><u>35 Years</u></b>	<b><u>50 Years</u></b>		
Anthony Hill	Mike Conway	George Harris		
Richard Przybysz				
Marg Schell				
Rick Schell				
Fred Knibb				
		<b>AFFILIATE-VOTING</b>		
<b><u>5 Years</u></b>	<b><u>10 Years</u></b>	<b><u>15 Years</u></b>	<b><u>45 Years</u></b>	
Peter Turi	Barb Cobean	Erin Fenton	Mark Seaman	
		Ernest Oliver		

Cde Tom Jacques  
Honours & Awards Chairman  
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## Membership



If you have not paid your dues for 2021 please consider doing so to keep your years of service intact. If you do not or can't come in due to the COVID pandemic you can always join on line at Legion.ca. It is straight forward and easy to do. You can also pay your dues on line at the same address. Many of our members have taken advantage of paying on line this year and we are glad they can do that.

If you know of anyone interested in joining please let us know. There are membership applications at the bar in the clubroom.

Hope you all are staying safe and hope to see you in the future.

Cde Dan Kelly  
Membership Chairman  
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Jane said to her husband Bill, *"Could you please go to the store and buy one carton of milk, and if they have eggs, get six."*

A short time later, Bill returns with 6 cartons of milk.

*"Why did you buy six cartons of milk?"* asks Jane.

*"Because they had eggs,"* says Bill.





## Poppy



After another successful 2021 Poppy Campaign and again dealing with the challenges of the COVID-19 Pandemic, Vicky and I wish you and your families **A Happy Holiday Season**, the **Best for the New Year, 2022!**

This year introduced the **TIPTAP PAY** Poppy Box which we located at Walmart that allowed donors to use their debit or credit cards to donate to our Poppy Fund. The **TIPTAPPAY** Box alone raised over \$2,700.00 after a 5% processing/administrative fee. National Poppy Command in Ottawa advised us that RCL Branch 340, Port Elgin was the 4th highest **TIPTAPPAY** BOX fund raiser in Canada out of the 700 branches using a single **TIPTAPPAY** Box this year. Of the 3 Branches ahead of us 2 were in Ottawa and the 3rd in Oshawa.

Our Veterans' needs are a year around endeavour. Last year our Poppy Fund donated over \$20,000 to help meet Veterans and their family's needs. With this year's Poppy Campaign success even more funds will be available to be used to address their most urgent needs.

We appreciate any donations made throughout the year. Each year we have Veterans and projects that need assistance.

As limitations continue to be put upon us due to the COVID-19 Pandemic, we will again look forward to seeing you, at what limited events, our members and friends can participate in over the upcoming year. In particular, our Friday evening get together at the Legion. It provides us all with some social interaction as we continue to strive to assist and comfort our Veterans who have served us so well!

**Lest We Forget!**

Alex Taylor  
Poppy Chair  
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ONE WAY TO FIND OUT IF YOU  
ARE OLD IS TO FALL DOWN IN  
FRONT OF A LOT OF PEOPLE. IF  
THEY LAUGH, YOU'RE STILL  
YOUNG. IF THEY PANIC AND  
START RUNNING TO YOU,  
YOU'RE OLD.







## Sports ❧ Zone C-4 ❧



The Zone 8-Ball Tournament was hosted by Port Elgin Branch on Sunday, December 12<sup>th</sup>. We are pleased to announce that our very own Craig Bell and Jim Fleming were 1<sup>st</sup> Place winners. Congratulations guys!

Cde Gord Kelly  
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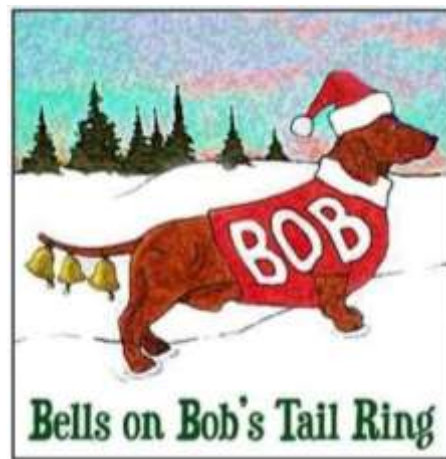
### General Meeting



**Tuesday, January 4<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 pm  
in the Main Hall**

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

***Please support your Branch***





## Veteran Services



Your Royal Canadian Legion is committed to making a difference in the lives of Veterans and their families, providing essential services in our communities, and remembering the men and women who sacrificed for our country.



I went to the doctor because I had hearing problems.

“Can you describe your symptoms,” the doctor asked.

“Homer’s the fat bloke,” I responded, “and Marge has blue hair.





## Ways & Means



The Turkey & Meat Draws held in December were very successful and we thank you for your continued support. Congratulations to all the winners and special thanks to our volunteer team of workers at each event throughout the year.

Tom Jacques  
Ways & Means Chair  
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## Youth Education



In spite, of the pandemic the Remembrance Poster & Literary Competition carries on into the new year. Students in each participating school had an opportunity to place First, Second and Third in each category by the applicable Division related to their grade.

Every year we challenge our Volunteer Judges to choose the “Overall” First Place entry in each Division and Category from the collective firsts.

The following were the “Overall” First Place entries submitted to the Zone C-4 Competition:

### **PRIMARY (Grades 1, 2 & 3)**

Black/White Poster : Vyoma Patel / Northport Elementary School

Colour Poster: Wren Kahgee-Sterling / Northport Elementary School

### **JUNIOR (Grades 4, 5 & 6)**

Black/White Poster: Elliott Cuillerier / Port Elgin Saugeen Central School

Colour Poster: Parisa Akhunjee / Northport Elementary School

Poem: Olivia Mattison / Northport Elementary School

Essay: Lacey Crowe / Northport Elementary School

### **INTERMEDIATE (Grades 7, 8 & 9)**

Black/White Poster: Mykenzie Wolfe / Saugeen District Senior School

Colour Poster: Stella Harris / Saugeen District Senior School



Poem: Preston Roussel / Saugeen District Senior School  
Essay: Everett Akerman / Saugeen District Senior School

### **SENIOR (Grades 10, 11 & 12)**

No Entries

The Zone C-4 Competition wrapped up in December with the student entries from Branch 340 having a great showing with one (1) First Place Entry, two (2) Second Place Entries, and three (3) Third Place Entries. Branch 340's Zone C-4 First Place Entry will go on to the District Competition. I was able to notify and deliver the Awards to the elementary schools before the holiday break, unfortunately, the Senior School had to close early due to COVID-19. In the new year the senior students will be notified about the outcome of the Zone Competition. Prior to publishing names of the Zone Level Competition my preference is to notify all students of the outcome.

The First Place Winner at the Zone Competition will now go on to the District Competition.

Our congratulations to the students with the winning entries. On behalf of Branch 340 I extend a sincere appreciation to all the students who drew posters and wrote literary pieces. In entering our local competition, the schools and students respectfully demonstrate their Remembrance.

Patty Kelly  
Youth Education Chairman  
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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.

- 1 New Year's Day
- 27 Holocaust Remembrance Day
- 28 Bell Let's Talk (mental health)
- Membership renewal reminders





## Branch 340 Ladies Auxiliary



As we welcome in 2022 my wish for you all is to stay safe, strong and healthy.

Please mark your calendar for the LA meeting on Tuesday, January 11th at 7:30PM in the main hall. Please plan on attending. Interested in becoming a member, join us at our monthly meeting.

Thank you everyone for your help and support and stay healthy.

### *A Poem by Amanda Gorman*

*A virus is fought inside us,  
While violence is fought amongst us.  
In both, our triumph is not in conquering others,  
But conquering the most destructive agents  
    & instincts that we carry  
Within our mortal forms.  
Hate is a virus.  
A virus demands a body.  
What we mean is:  
Hate only survives when hosted in humans.  
If we are to give it anything,  
Let it be our sorrow  
    & never our skin.  
To love just may be  
The fight of our lives.*

Cde Vicky Taylor  
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*A recent study has found that women who carry a little extra weight live longer than the men who mention it.*



A Little Poem For Seniors, so true it hurts!  
Another year has passed  
And we're all a little older.  
Last summer felt hotter  
And winter seems much colder.  
There was a time not long ago  
When life was quite a blast.  
Now I fully understand  
About 'Living in the Past'  
We used to go to weddings,  
Football games and lunches..  
Now we go to funeral homes  
And after-funeral brunches.  
We used to go out dining,  
And couldn't get our fill.  
Now we ask for doggie bags,  
Come home and take a pill.  
We used to often travel  
To places near and far.  
Now we get sore asses  
From riding in the car.  
We used to go to nightclubs  
And drink a little booze.  
Now we stay home at night  
And watch the evening news.  
That, my friend is how life is,  
And now my tale is told.  
So, enjoy each day and live it up...  
Before you're too damned old!







## AIR CADETS 340 (Griffin) Squadron, Port Elgin



With the New Year of 2022 now upon us, the #340 Griffin Air Cadet Squadron would like to acknowledge and extend greetings to our many Legion Branches, Executive, Members and Legion friends that have supported us in the past and continue to do so in the future.

The past years have been unlike any other in recent memory as our world took a dramatic change with a global pandemic. As Liaison to the Air Cadet Squadron and on behalf of Captain Robert Herboth, Sponsoring Committee and Officers, there are simply not enough expressions of thanks for the continued Legion financial support to the Air Cadet program.

Despite many obstacles to overcome and the continual transitions back into online Cadet virtual learning, somehow the Squadron conquered many tasks over the last year. Meetings and online learning is not always ideal, yet through all of this the Cadets are persevering and continuing to learn and grow. Although there isn't a lot to report just now I thought you may find some Christmas Season humor in the following...

### ***For Immediate Release:***

*The Department of National Defense issued orders today to COL S. Clause, recalling him to active duty, with a report date of 24 Dec 2021.*

*A reservist with 1,742 years of service, the airborne Soldier specializes in vertical delivery of high-value items. He is airborne and air assault qualified. He is also a Public Affairs Specialist.*

*Also recalled were Lt-Col Dasher, CWO Dancer, MWO Prancer, Maj. Vixen, Maj Comet, Chaplain (Lt-Col) Cupid, Sgt Donner, and PO1 Blitzen, an Individual Augmentee from the Naval Reserve, assigned to the Army. 2Lt Rudolph is also authorized to report for duty; however, he must first successfully complete Land Nav training, which he has failed three times.*

*Although the above troops are on orders for only 24 hours, it is anticipated they will submit a travel claim for 40074 kilometres at .65/km, using PMOV. Suitable Government transportation is not available.*

*As a special operations unit, each member is granted a high level of uniform flexibility, as well as relaxed grooming standards. Per diem has been modified to include large quantities of hot cocoa and cookies.*

*P.S. - Let's ALL remember the men and women of our Canadian Armed Forces, as they serve in faraway lands during this Christmas Season.*

As the Cadets acknowledge the hard work, creativity and adaptability of their Officers that saw them through the unique circumstances of the past year, they also would like to take this opportunity to embrace what is yet to come. The #340 Griffin Squadron looks forward to its continued Legion collaboration, successes, and a hopeful path forward in 2022. May the New



Year bring you and those closest to you the brightest of days, good health, happiness and prosperity.

Happy New Year!

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*What kind of exercise do lazy people do? Diddly-squats.*



### **Commanders' Corner** **A New Year's Message from Zone C-4**



"It was the best of times; it was the worst of times....". So begins the famous quote from A Tale of Two Cities penned in 1859 by author Charles Dickens. You might have been forgiven for thinking it was a quote from a modern day news article describing the seesawing events of the current year. For those who lost loved ones or who were unable to be with their loved ones at their most critical times it surely was the worst of times and our thoughts and prayers went out to them in solidarity. For others it was the best of times as the better side of human nature manifested itself in random acts of kindness, neighbourliness and unselfish caring for



others not seen so much in the hustle and bustle of everyday modern life. A spotlight was also thrown onto the many heroes of everyday life who put their own selves in harm's way to ensure that the rest of us survive.

As disheartening as the new turn of events with COVID-19 is as this year ends, we can all take inspiration and comfort in knowing that our Legion family is still collectively strong as has been demonstrated time and time again by our indomitable, determined and dedicated members, staff and volunteers. Together we have met all the challenges with steadfast and unselfish loyalty, hard work and creativity and a willingness to serve others.

From the churned up soil in battlefields of WWI a sign of life forced its way out to show the world that beauty exists even in the worst of times; the Poppy. A symbol of hope and peace recognized all over the globe as the emblem of our great organization. Take heart from this brave, spirited flower and let it inspire you to prevail against this latest round of restrictions and uncertainty and to lead the way for others to follow. Be strong.

Thanking you all for your constant support of the Legion and wishing you a safe and healthy New Year.

Zone C-4 Commander Kathryn Eastwood



### **Hoof'in It –Your Local Butcher**

1199 Goderich St #A **Port Elgin** (519) 389-6328

Due to COVID-19 Hoof'in It would like to offer Branch 340 members  
a 10% discount.



## A COVID Christmas

'Twas the night before Christmas, but COVID was here, so we all had to stay extra cautious this year.  
Our masks were all hung by the chimney with care in case Santa forgot his and needed a spare.  
With COVID we couldn't leave cookies or cake so we left Santa hand sanitizer to take.  
The children were sleeping, the brave little tots. The ones over 5 had just had their first shots.

And mom in her kerchief and me in my cap had just settled in for a long winter's nap.  
But we tossed and we turned all night in our beds as visions of variants danced in our heads.  
Gamma and Delta and now Omicron, these COVID mutations that go on and on,  
I thought to myself, "If this doesn't get better, I'll soon be familiar with every Greek letter".

Then just as I started to drift off and doze a clatter of noise from the front lawn arose.  
I leapt from my bed and ran straight down the stair I opened the door, and an old gent stood there.  
His N-95 made him look pretty weird but I knew who he was by his red suit and beard.  
I kept six feet away but blurted out quick "What are you doing here, Jolly Saint Nick?"

Then I said, "Where's your presents, your reindeer and sleigh?  
Don't you know that tomorrow will be Christmas Day? ".  
And Santa stood there looking sad in the snow as he started to tell me a long tale of woe.  
He said he'd been stuck at the North Pole alone, all his white collar elves had been working from home,  
And most of the others said "Santa, don't hire us! We can live off the CERB now, thanks to the virus".

Those left in the toyshop had little to do. With supply chain disruptions, they could make nothing new.  
And as for the reindeer, they'd all gone away. None of them left to pull on his sleigh.  
He said Dasher and Dancer were in quarantine, Prancer and Vixen refused the vaccine,  
Comet and Cupid were in ICU, so were Donner and Blitzen, they may not pull through.  
And Rudolph's career can't be resurrected, with his shiny red nose, they all think he's infected.

Even with his old sleigh, Santa couldn't go far. Every border to cross needs a new PCR.  
Santa sighed as he told me how nice it would be if children could once again sit on his knee.  
He couldn't care less if they're naughty or nice but they'd have to show proof that they'd had their shot twice.

But then the old twinkle returned to his eyes. And he said that he'd brought me a Christmas surprise.  
When I unwrapped the box and opened it wide, starlight and rainbows streamed out from inside.  
Some letters whirled round and flew up to the sky and they spelled out a word that was 40 feet high.  
There first was an H, then an O, then a P, then I saw it spelled HOPE when it added the E.

"Christmas magic" said Santa as he smiled through his beard. Then suddenly all of the reindeer appeared.  
He jumped into his sleigh and he waved me good-bye, then he soared o'er the rooftops and into the sky.  
I heard him exclaim as he drove out of sight "Get your vaccines my friends, Merry Christmas, good-night".  
Then I went back to bed and a sweet Christmas dream of a world when we'd finished with COVID-19.

- Author Unknown





## Prisoners of War Rules versus Actions



"If you have ever wondered about "Prisoners of War" and how they were treated in WWI and WWII and how they should have been treated here is a brief synopsis that is somewhat enlightening. It also touches on the German POW's that were held in Canada and there is a bit of a surprise ending to that part of the story."

### 1899 Hague Convention

- 22 Countries met and agreed on "Laws and Customs of War on Land".
- Agreed that each belligerent country would establish a bureau.
- They would keep information on each prisoner that they captured.
- POW's would be fed, quartered and clothed the same as the troops that had captured them.

### WWI

- In 1863 the Geneva Based Red Cross had been founded.
- Their mission was to "Assist victims of war".
- One of their goals was to establish contact between POW's and their families.
- In WWI they strived to do that.

### 1929

- The Geneva Convention was held.
- They met to prepare supplements to the Hague Convention.
- By the start of WWII 41 countries had ratified the Geneva Convention.
- For POW's those countries agreed to "Provide Religious needs, Intellectual diversions and sports and recreational facilities."

### WWII

- Germany operated approximately 1,000 POW camps.
- The Soviets never did sign the Geneva Convention.
- It is estimated that more than 5 million Soviet s were interned in German Camps and more than 3 million Germans were interned in Soviet camps.
- The number of POW's that died in these camps are estimated to have been in the hundreds of thousands

### WWII Canada

- About 9,000 Canadians were interned by Germany.
- Generally, they were treated close to the requirements of the Geneva Convention. Food being one area that was questioned extensively.
- Canadians that died in the German camps were mostly executions for escape or assault of German soldiers.
- Right after the D Day invasion in June 1944 there were 156 Canadian POW's executed a short distance inland from Juno Beach.



- Near the wars end, food was very scarce in Germany, and this made things even worse for the Canadian POW's.

### **WWII Red Cross Canada**

- The Canadian Red Cross had more than 1 million volunteers. These volunteers parceled 16.5 million POW parcels that went to those interned in camps on both sides of the war. Food and personal hygiene products were included. NO CIGARETTES. These came from many other sources.
- British and American Red Cross parcels did include cigarettes.
- Germany and Russia withheld parcels from each other's POW/s.
- After the war Canadian 2/3rds of our POW's said that they would not have survived as well as they did without RED CROSS parcels.
- One third of them said that even with the parcels there was not enough food.

### **WWII Japan**

- Japan had signed but disregarded the Geneva Convention.
- They sidelined their National Red Cross from involvement.
- They barred all Red Cross ships from their waters.
- Of 32,418 Americans in Japanese POW camps there were 3,400 that died.
- At wars end there were 32,000 British Commonwealth POW, s in Japanese Camps. There had been approximately 3,500 that had died before the war ended.

### **WWII German POW Camps in Canada**

- There were 25 POW camps in Canada for Axis soldiers. They were mostly German and Italian.
- A total of 34,000 were interned here.
- Of these 137 died while being held in Canada.
- In 1971 the remains of them all were moved to the German War Graves Section of the Woodland Cemetery in Kitchener Ontario.
- There are two bodies in each grave.



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## Branch 340 Annual Christmas Toy Drive



L-R Cde Stacey Hobson, Meridian Credit Union;  
President Robert Harrison and Berry  
Biederman, Iota Phi Sorority

Iota Phi in conjunction with the Salvation Army is very grateful to the Port Elgin Royal Canadian Legion, Meridian, the South Port Tuesday Ladies Golf group and everyone else who donated gifts and money for all the beautiful Christmas presents for our annual Toy Drive. There will be many happy children on Christmas morning!

Take care and stay safe!

Berry Biederman, Iota Phi Sorority

As Conveners we also thank everyone who donated gifts and money for the success of this project. With your goodwill many children in our community will have received a gift to make their Christmas morning a little brighter.

Bob & Rhonda Harrison  
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She says I keep  
pushing her  
buttons. If that  
were true, I  
would have  
found 'mute' by  
now.



I have an eating disorder.  
I'm about to eat dis order of pizza, dis order of fries and dis order of nuggets.





## Branch 340 Annual Christmas Raffle



### *Santa's Surprise Christmas Raffle*

Congratulations to our raffle winner Dean Burrows from Southampton.

Dean's name was drawn on Saturday, December 18<sup>th</sup> by our very own Derek Moore, First Vice president, Ontario Command.

Proceeds are earmarked for our community youth programs.

Thanks are extended to everyone who participated in any way for the success of this project.



### a note to the husband:

A happy wife is a happy life  
And to make it even brighter  
Remember that while you might be right  
Your wife will always be righter!




Betty was sitting on a lawn sunning and reading when she was startled by a Buick Enclave crashing through a hedge and coming to rest on her lawn. She helped the elderly driver out and sat him on a lawn chair. "My goodness," she exclaimed, "you are quite old to be driving!" "Yes", he replied, "I am old enough that I don't need a license." "What.....NO LICENSE?" "Nope!


The last time I went to my doctor he examined me, and asked if I had a driving license. I told I did have one and handed it to him. He took scissors out of a drawer, cut the license into pieces, threw them in the wastebasket and said, 'You won't be needing this anymore.' So, I thanked him and left."



**PORT ELGIN LEGION – BRANCH 340**  
**2022 - MONTHLY EVENTS**  
(Event Dates subject to change)

Statutory Holidays 

Meat Draws 

BBQ/Dinners   
Dates to be determined

JANUARY 2022							FEBRUARY 2022							MARCH 2022						
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JULY 2022							AUGUST 2022							SEPTEMBER 2022						
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OCTOBER 2022							NOVEMBER 2022							DECEMBER 2022						
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