

# Branch 445 Bulletin

## Royal Canadian Legion

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**March 2018**



**Legion**



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Secretary	Marion Smith	705 471-6819
Sports Officer	Irene Lewis	705 491-2216
Sgt At Arms	Cecile Farmer	



## PRESIDENT'S REPORT

The new year has been busy and we have hosted multiple events and dine ins! The Gord Evans Memorial Dart Tournament was a huge success, raising over \$3000 for the Canadian Cancer Society. The Callander Legion was pleased to be a partner. Thanks to Comrade Larry Colson for collecting so many excellent prizes and donations and to Eva MacWilliams for such a the great story!

The Bruce Rogers Memorial Ice Fishing Derby was also a great success. Over 180 people attended and everyone left with a prize and a great meal, put on by our wonderful volunteers! Thank you so much to Life Member Comrade Sherry Culling and her volunteers for organising and hosting such a great event.

We also had a group that attended Eastholme in Powassan and celebrated Comrade Life Member's Len Guppy's 97<sup>th</sup> Birthday. Len is the oldest Veteran in our Legion! Comrade Patricia Burton, our Legion Service Officer, prepared and delivered a wonderful Black Forest Cake!



Yours in Comradeship,

Marc Picard, President





## LADIES AUXILIARY REPORT

Well March is upon which means Spring will be here before we know it. It has been a long winter and I know I am looking forward to the warmer weather.

We have 2 teams participating in the District Cribbage Tournament being held at our Branch on March 10<sup>th</sup>, good luck ladies.

Our elections will be held at our April 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting, so if you are interested in running or nominating someone for a position please make sure to attend.

Don't forget to move your clocks ahead on March 11<sup>th</sup>.

Yours in Comradeship,  
Denise Robertson,  
LA President

## WE NEED YOUR PHOTOS!!!

Please send in any photos you may have of recent branch events. I would love to display them in the bulletin.

Thank you, Joanna Jacobs, Bulletin Editor  
jacobs.joanna@gmail.com

If you have not received anything in the mail or had a telephone call from the branch then we may not have your correct address and/or phone number. Please complete the following and mail to the Branch or, better still, stop in and drop it off at the lounge. Thank you.

Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_ First Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
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# Easter Brunch



Please Join us for a Easter Sunday Brunch

Sunday April 1, 2018

CALLANDER LEGION

11:00 a.m. — 2:00 p.m.

Adults \$12.50

Children 10 & under \$7.00

Tickets available at the Bar





## MEMBERSHIP REPORT

There are currently 374 members in Branch 445 of the Callander Legion.

Note: 11 members who have not paid dues since 2014 and have failed to respond to multiple requests, have been removed from our roster.

### Membership Dues

Membership dues are extremely important to the Branch. If you are not up to date, please be sure to stop by the bar to make payment or mail a cheque to the Branch. Letters have been mailed to all members on our branch register who are behind in their dues. Failure to update their membership will unfortunately result in the removal of the member from the Branch register.

<u>Total Members</u>	<u>Year Paid</u>
19	2015
18	2016
149	2017
175	2018
2	2019
2	2020
9	Life
<b>374</b>	<b>Total</b>

### Membership Cards for 2018

If you have recently paid your 2018 dues, your new Membership card is at the bar. Any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact myself or the Branch.

Yours in Comradeship, Membership chair,  
Marc Picard





## LESLIE'S HEALTHY EATING CORNER

### Breakfast - CHEESY HAM AND ASPARAGUS BAKE - serves 8

1 1/2 cups chopped fully cooked ham	1 medium onion, chopped
1/4 cup chopped bell pepper	1 box frozen asparagus cuts or cut broccoli
8 eggs or 2 cups fat-free egg product	2 cups milk
1 cup all-purpose flour	1/4 cup grated Parmesan cheese
1/2 teaspoon salt (optional)	1/2 teaspoon pepper
1/2 teaspoon dried tarragon leaves	1 cup shredded Cheddar cheese

Heat oven to 425 degrees. Generously spray bottom and sides of a 13x9-inch (3 quart) glass baking dish with cooking spray. Sprinkle ham, onion, bell pepper and asparagus or broccoli into baking dish. In medium bowl, beat eggs, milk, flour, Parmesan cheese, salt, pepper, and tarragon with fork or whisk until smooth; pour over ham mixture. Bake about 20 minutes or until knife inserted in center comes out clean. Sprinkle with Cheddar cheese. bake 3 to 5 minutes longer or until cheese is melted. let stand 5 minutes before cutting.

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### Lunch - SPINACH-SHRIMP SALAD WITH HOT BACON DRESSING - serves 4

4 slices of bacon, cut into 1 inch pieces	1/4 cup white vinegar
1 tablespoon sugar	1/4 teaspoon ground mustard
4 cups lightly packed bite-size pieces spinach leaves	1 cup sliced fresh mushrooms (3oz)
1 cup crumbled feta cheese (4 oz)	
1/2 lb. cooked peeled deveined medium shrimp	

In 10-inch skillet, cook bacon over medium-high heat, stirring occasionally, until crisp. Stir in vinegar, sugar and mustard; continue stirring until sugar is dissolved. In large bowl, toss spinach, mushrooms, cheese and shrimp. Drizzle hot bacon dressing over spinach mixture; toss to coat. Serve immediately.

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### Supper - WILD RICE, SAUSAGE AND MUSHROOM CASSEROLE - serves 6

1 cup uncooked wild rice	2 cups water
1 lb bulk pork sausage	1 medium onion, chopped
2 medium stalks celery, sliced	1 can condensed cream of mushroom soup
1 jar sliced mushrooms, drained	1/4 cup slivered almonds

In a 2-quart saucepan, place wild rice and water. Soak 2 hours or overnight. Do not drain; heat to boiling. Reduce heat; cover and simmer 20 minutes. Meanwhile, heat oven to 350 degrees. Grease bottom and side of 2 quart casserole with shortening or cooking spray. In 10-inch skillet, cook sausages, onion and celery over medium heat 8 to 10 minutes, stirring occasionally, until sausage is no longer pink; drain. In casserole, mix sausages mixture, soup, mushrooms and cooked wild rice. Sprinkle with almonds. Cover; bake about 1 hour or until hot and bubbly.

# March 2018



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 General Meeting 7pm	2 Roast Chicken Timberr Country  Friday Night Fun Darts 7pm	3 Don Bickerton Celebration of Life
4 Interbranch darts	5 LA Meeting 7pm Cards 1pm NDL 7pm	6 Fiddlers 8 Ball Pool 1:30pm Crib 7pm	7 Pea Pool 12pm Cards/darts 1pm Band Practice 7pm Mens Darts 7pm	8 O/50 Dinner	9 Schnitzel Back in Tyme Shuffleboard 1pm  Friday Night Fun Darts 7pm	10 LA District Crib Tournament
11 Celebration of Life—Eileen Blondin	12 Cards 1pm NDL 7pm	13 8 Ball Pool 1:30pm  Crib 7pm	14 Pea Pool 12pm Cards/darts 1pm Band Practice 7pm Mens Darts 7pm	15 Executive Meeting 7pm	16 Roast Beef Blackbirds Shuffleboard 1pm Friday Night Fun Darts 7pm	17 Seniors Room Booked
18 Ladies Open Dart Tournament  Seniors Room Booked	19 Cards 1pm NDL 7pm	20 8 Ball Pool 1:30pm  Crib 7pm	21 Pea Pool 12pm Cards/darts 1pm Band Practice 7pm Mens Darts 7pm VON Foot Clinic	22 MNR Booked	23 Burgers & Fries Special Don & Friends Shuffleboard 1pm Friday Night Fun Darts 7pm	24 Main Hall Booked— Celebration of Life - Pearl Bowes
25	26 Cards 1pm NDL 7pm	27 8 Ball Pool 1:30pm  Crib 7pm	28 Pea Pool 12pm Cards/darts 1pm Band Practice 7pm Mens Darts 7pm	29	30 Good Friday— Closed	31 Seniors Room Booked



# April 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 Easter Brunch 11am	2 Easter Monday  LA Meeting 7pm  Cards 1pm  NDL 7pm	3 Fiddlers  8 Ball Pool 1:30pm  Crib 7pm	4 Pea Pool 12pm  Mens Darts 7pm  Cards/darts 1pm Band Practice 7pm	5 General Meeting 7pm	6 Roast Chicken Back In Tyme  Shuffleboard 1pm	7 Main Hall Booked
8	9  Cards 1pm  NDL 7pm	10  8 Ball Pool 1:30pm  Crib 7pm	11 Pea Pool 12pm  Mens Darts 7pm  Cards/darts 1pm Band Practice 7pm	12 Scouting Group Committee— Seniors Room 7pm	13 Schnitzel Black Birds  Shuffleboard 1pm  Friday Night Fun Darts 7pm	14 Main Hall Booked
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# BRANCH 445 SCRAPBOOK





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THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU!

Dear Comrades & Friends:

Thank you from the bottom of my heart to all who participated by donating prizes, picking up prizes, driving all over the area putting up flyers, cooking the spaghetti sauce, working in the kitchen, selling tickets, measuring fish, baking cupcakes, purchasing tickets and of course –FISHING!

Your kindness and generosity does not go unnoticed!

When we work together as a team—work gets done and we have successful events.

On behalf of myself and the Rodgers Family, thank you so much for remembering Bruce and supporting the Callander Legion.

Yours in Comradeship,  
Sherry Culling



## 2018 Bruce Rodgers Memorial Ice Fishing Derby

Congrats to all our Winners!

Perch—10 & Under

1st—Ryiah Chayer & Sofie Leboef Tied 11 3/4”

2nd—Avery Chayer 11 1/2”

3rd—Owen Heroux 11”

Perch Adults

1st—Jean Rancourt 12”

2nd—Jon Cerisano 11 1/4”

3rd— Jody Kitchen 11 1/8”

Pike—10 & Under

1st—Gracie Austin 19 3/4”

2nd—Leilan Austin 19”

3rd—Kaden Freeman 17 1/8”

Pike Adults

1st—Claude Rancourt 34 1/2”

2nd—Bev Shultz 31 1/2”

3rd—Chuck Narburg 27 1/2”

Pickerel—10 & Under

No entries

Pickerel—Adults

1st—Jean Rancourt 19 3/8”

2nd—Jean Rancourt 19 1/4”

3rd—Jon Cerisano 18 3/4”

Thank you to...

- The Callander Legion for the donation of the Ice Fishing Auger
- Darryl & Lynn Blay for the donation of the Coleman stove
- The Rodgers Family for the donation of the ice fishing tent
- The Ladies Auxiliary for the donation of \$100 towards the children's prizes
- Darryl Blay who won the ice fishing tent and donated it back to the Legion

Another great day at Callander Legion Branch 445!





## Tribute to Comrade Don Bickerton

It is with great sadness that Branch 445 reports the loss of Life Member Don Bickerton. Don passed away peacefully at the North Bay Regional Health Centre at the age of 85 years. Don was a pillar of our Branch; the friendly face that was always willing to help or donate if it meant getting things done and making things better for our members and our veterans. Don will be missed dearly for his big heart and cheerful demeanor. For many sitting at the round table it will not be the same without him.

Don was our LA Liaison and helped nurture and strengthen the already blossoming relationship between our Branch executive and the LA. I am proud of the positive relationship that Don helped us build and hope for many more years of cohesiveness in his name. I know he will be sorely missed at LA functions, especially the Christmas party but I am sure the ladies will have a toast in his honour.

Don had the greatest stories to share. It is my hope that everyone had at least one “Don story moment”. To watch him tell a story was a gift and he shared it with so many people. Don shared it all; the funny moments, the trying moments and his struggles and the profound moments. I am sure that, like myself, many gleaned a new perspective after having a talk with Don.

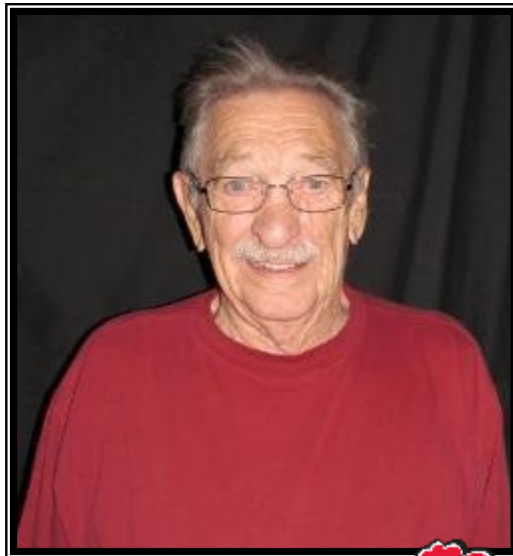
Don had a way with children. You could tell he loved children and I myself had a chance to witness it firsthand. Our local sponsored Beaver Scout troop was honoured by being invited to ride on the Veteran’s Parade float with all of our veterans. Don was seated with a young man, James, who was five years old at the time. I had the pleasure of witnessing their interaction. James called Don “Uncle Joe” that entire parade and Don just played along. James had a delightful time with this man he dubbed “Uncle Joe” and Don was really in his element. Don had James smiling and laughing until James was wondering why his cheeks hurt.

Don was born in Vancouver, BC. After graduating high school he joined the Royal Canadian Air Force. He served in Korea and after being honourably discharged he moved to Windsor, Ontario working for Bell Canada and then Elgin Airways. He then worked in Eto-bicoke as a trouble shooter for Consumers Glass for 23 years. Don met his wife Sheila in 1987 and they moved to Nipissing and then to Callander. From 1966 to 1969 Don was a member of Branch 431 in Chatham. He joined Branch 445 in 1998 and was a member until his passing. He was awarded Life Membership in 2014.

Don was a wonderful friend and Comrade and as you look around at our flourishing Branch today I hope you remember what he helped to accomplish. When you get a chance and you are sitting around the Branch have a drink in honour of Don and remember the good times. That is how he would want it.

Cheers to Don, now watching over his family and Comrades from Heaven.

Yours in Comradeship,  
Joanna Jacobs, Bulletin Editor



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