

Dunston Legion



**Branch 461
HI-LITES**



Proud to be Canadian

“They shall not grow 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.”

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HOSPITAL VISITS

Just a reminder that when a Legion member goes to the hospital, please have a member of the family call the bar so that we may visit you. Also, please let us know when you leave the hospital. It makes it easier on the committee. Call 519-752-6668.

BEREAVEMENT SERVICE BRANCH POLICY

When there is a death of a branch veteran or member, it is the responsibility of the family to contact the branch to request a Legion service if one is desired. A notice providing the time and location of the service is posted in the Ed Potter's lounge at the legion to go along with the notification given in the Brantford Expositor.

The padre is contacted to arrange the service.

EARLY MEMBERSHIP DRAW

September will soon be here and Membership dues can be paid for the upcoming year. The Executive agreed at our Executive Meeting, August 12th to offer a **free membership** to one lucky member who has paid their 2025 dues by December 31st, 2024. The draw will take place at the January 2025 meeting. *So let's everyone get in on the draw for a chance at a free membership.*

Cheryl Potter, Membership Chair

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Comrades:

Well summer seems to be going by way to quickly. Thanks everyone who continues to attend all the summer activities being held at the branch. Your support is appreciated. September will bring new activity and programs which will increase participation in all our events.

I would like to thank all of your executive who once again have volunteered to represent you for the next 2 years. As your President I appreciate all of you. To all of our staff and volunteers, thank you for your continued support. You guys ROCK.

We will be facing some challenges over the next few weeks with our walk in cooler. I'm sure Don will elaborate in his report. Hopefully the repair to the cooler will not cost us too much. As your president I'm looking forward to representing you at this year's Dominion Convention being held in St John New Brunswick Aug. 23-28. Thanks you for trusting me to represent our branch once again. Poppy season is fast approaching and I'm sure Sandy will be looking for some new volunteer's. I sure she will elaborate more in her report. Please consider supporting your branch and our poppy campaign. All those funds continue to support all veterans and their families.

Comrades we are looking for volunteers who may be interested in filling open position on your executive committee. If you are interested please speak to myself or any member of your executive.

I hope everyone enjoys the rest of your summer and Holly and I look forward to seeing everyone in the branch early in September.

Yours in service, **Ron Butcher**
 President Branch 461 Dunsdon Legion

QUARTERS FOR FUN

Thursday October 17th, 2024

I could use 4 volunteer runners for this event, please contact me (Sandra) at 519-304-4426. Also, if there are any high school students that need their community hours we are able to provide those. We are looking for 10 extra prizes for this auction. If anyone is able to donate or knows of a business willing to donate something please. let me know

Thank-you **Sandra Eiserbach**



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Bar Hours (winter): Monday 2pm to 4pm (6 to 10 for cards), **Tuesday 6pm to 10pm**
Wednesday 2pm to 11pm, **Friday 2pm to 9pm**, Saturday 6pm to 11pm

Contact numbers

Ron Butcher for General Legion Inquires **226 387-3750** rwb1243@bell.net

Sandra Eisenbach for Rentals **519 304-4426** sandraeisenbach@hotmail.ca

David Petit-Pas for Veterans Services **519 751-7883** chrystal_petitpas@yahoo.com

Sandy Wallace for Poppy Inquires **519 759-4568** sandywallace@cruiseshipcenter.com

Cheryl Potter for Membership **519 756-7405** cpotter@rogers.com

Don Wolan for Entertainment and Bar **519 771-7872** rcl461vicepresident@gmail.com

Jack Wallace for Awards and Pins **519 759-4568** swalla@sympatico.ca

Weekly Events

Ladies Euchre 1pm Monday **Mixed League Cribbage 7-10pm Monday**

Men's League Cribbage 7-10pm Tuesday

Drop In Snooker 6pm -11pm Tuesday, **Snooker 6-11pm Wednesday**

Mixed Progressive Euchre 7-10 Wednesday, **Line Dancing 9:30am Thursday**

(some events do not run every week due to scheduling - always check with the organizer or Bartender)

Next General Meetings

September 18, 2024

November 20, 2024

Membership Card Required

Saturday Entertainment - Downstairs Lounge

7pm to 11pm Doors open at 6pm

September

7 Innersha

14 Vooodoo Kingz

21 Music Trivia

28 Karaoke

October

5 Hwy 24 - **Upstairs**

12 Music Trivia

19 Murray Williams Duo

26 Karaoke

November

2 Fab 50's

9 Music Trivia

16 Vooodoo Kingz

23 Karaoke

30 Loose Change

December

7 Murray Williams Duo

14 Music Trivia

21 Vooodoo Kingz

28 Karaoke

31 Hwy 24

Note:

Music Trivia requires pre registration Please contact Ross McGuinness at mcguinness9535@rogers.com

Karaoke is with Murray Mclean from Brantford Party Rentals

SERVICE OFFICER

As you are no doubt aware, your Branch lends out medical equipment, such as, walkers and wheelchairs, to our members and veterans in need. There is no charge for this service and we are happy to help when possible. We ask a favour of you. If you have borrowed equipment and no longer require it, please return it to the Branch with your name attached. This allows us to remove it from our borrowed book and place it back for someone else to use.

Note: We cannot accept crutches or wooden canes as these must be customized to the user.

Thanks for your assistance,

Yours in Comradeship,

David Petit-Pas

Service Officer

CHICK WRIGHT GOLF TOURNAMENT 2024

Our golf tournament at the Oaks of St. George on Saturday June 8th was a huge success.

We'd like to thank all of the participants and volunteers. We really appreciate the support of our sponsors with prizes and signs.

Putting Contest Winners were Larry Webb, Rick Ireland, Greg Levac, Sean Mulroy and Gord Cobb
Ladies Closest to the Pin was Loretta Kyle and Carole Mulroy.

Men's Closest to the Pin was Tony Coelho, Rich Gillespie and Hugh Terry.



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Anyone can become a member. **Join today.**

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Mark your calendar

OCTOBER 26 to NOVEMBER 11, 2024

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

For the upcoming 2024 campaigns we are looking for new volunteers to assist in various areas of the campaign.

Areas that we will be needing assistance are as follows:

- Drop off poppies and poster entries to the schools in the north end of the city and then pick up after November 11th. We can split this into several areas so it would only take a few hours of your time.
- Help getting the supplies ready for the schools and other locations before the campaign begins.
- Help with organizing the local cadets supplies and pick up and drop off on the 2 weekends
- Help with dropping off and picking up poppies at local stores, community venues or factories in the North end
- We have 3 routes where we drop off the boxes with poppies at the various venues at the start of the campaign. Depending on the location and consumer traffic visit then over the next 2 weeks check to make sure the full boxes are replaced or topped up. *Extra help here is always appreciated*
- We have 3 displays – Walmart, Zehr's King George Road and Zehr's on Fairview/ West Street - having volunteers at the booth during the drive is very important and creates an awareness of the reason for Remembrance Day and how this event supports our veterans. Students can get their volunteer hours this way if you can supervise their shift.

We will post a sign up sheet for the displays at the legion in October

Sandy Wallace, Poppy Chair

Home # 519-759-4568 or

Cell/Text at 519-774-2455

400 CLUB

The next 400 club elimination draw will be October 18th, 2024. If you are interested in obtaining a ticket for the October 18th, 2024, draw please leave your name and number with the Legion bartender or myself. I can be reached at rcl461vicepresident@gmail.com
Comrade **Don Wolan** – Lottery Chairperson

YOUTH EDUCATION

Comrades: The upcoming Literary and Poster Contest is fast approaching. In the past we have had some great work by our youth and I am looking forward to seeing this year's entries. The youth education portfolio is a very satisfying as it is great to see and hear how our youth are remembering our veterans. If you are interested in helping out, I can be reached at rcl461vicepresident@gmail.com
Comrade **Don Wolan** - Youth Education Chairperson

BAR MATTERS

Comrades: The New winter Bar Hours will be commencing after labour day and are as follows.

Bar Hours (winter):

Monday 2pm to 4pm (6 to 10 for cards),

Tuesday 6pm to 10pm (if cards on),

Wednesday 2pm to 11pm,

Friday 2pm to 9pm,

Saturday 6pm to 11pm.

Our Friday afternoon social is doing quite well and we hope to see you out. Our Saturday entertainment has had some really great turnouts, the Music Trivia and Karaoke has a great crowd so overall we are doing quite well. I would like to thank our head Bar Steward Melissa Cheeseman for doing such a great job running the bar. Another area that has helped with keeping the Legion open is the hard work of our Rental Co-ordinator Sandra Eisenbach in renting our upper hall.

Comrade **Don Wolan** – 1st Vice President

ENTERTAINMENT

Our Saturday entertainment has been doing well. The new format seems to be working, every second Saturday we host Music Trivia with Ross McGuinnes, every fourth Saturday we host Karaoke with Gord Taite (there is no entrance fee for these two events). We have some great music up and coming. Check out the new format calendar which has all the Legion information on one page.
Comrade **Don Wolan** 1st Vice President

BUILDING

We have made a few changes over the past year. There are new safety stair treads on the back stairs and we have replaced the front doors to allow better accessibility. There are a couple of concerns that need to be addressed in the next few months. Our parking lot will need to have repairs done to fix the potholes. We are hopeful that we will be able to secure a grant in the next five years to completely redo the lot. Our main cooler has started to falter and we need to have it replaced. After years of flooding from the upper bar, the wood on the inside has become unstable and the doors are starting to give us problems. It has been repaired for now, however the repair will not last. We are actively looking for a grant to do this repair.
Comrade **Don Wolan** – 1st Vice President

REMRANCE SERVICES

We are shortly going to enter the time that is the reason for who we are. To honour, those who have and are serving our Country in war and peace. There will be opportunities for us to distribute, sell and wear poppies. Please do what you can. Our branch will hold its annual service on **Sunday, November 3rd at 2 pm**. You are invited.

Many local congregations will focus on the service of our veterans on Sunday November 10th - there is a special tribute opportunity including the **Glenn Miller Orchestra at the Sanderson Centre at 2 pm** (tickets are selling fast).

The Service at the Brant County War Memorial will, of course, take place on Monday November 11 at 11 am. Please take the opportunity to honour those who have given the ultimate sacrifice.

Jim Sutton, Padre

HONOURS AND AWARDS

A service awards presentation is planned for our General Meeting on November 20th, 2024. Members are entitled to a service pin for every 5 years of membership, 5, 10, 15, 20 years, etc. Please advise this writer at 519-759-4568 or email at swalla@sympatico.ca. Please plan on attending to honour your comrades for the contributions made to the Royal Canadian Legion.

Jack Wallace, Past President

Our Next General Meeting will be held on September 18th, 2024

Membership card is required for entry.
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