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### PRESIDENT REPORT - Jun Copland / President Br. 255

Comrades as you are aware the Branch is doing well. All the in Branch functions are all doing well. The kitchen has handled several large functions in the month of February and doing them well. The feedback is nice to hear.

Nine new members were also sworn in, in the month of February. Thanks to Cathy Brown membership chair who's been on a mission to get new members.

March 17th is St. Paddy's Day. A good day is planned with plenty of food, Irish Dancers and music by Olden Yonge. Come out and enjoy.

A new north east exit door has been installed. New heaters will be installed in all of the washrooms in the next few days. Repairs to an old building takes time and money. We are doing it slowly but surely.

Remember the next General Meeting on March 22nd is the nomination meeting. If you are going to nominate someone be sure that person wants to run for office.

Again Comrades thanks for your support and lets have March to be another good month.



# TO ALL VOTING BRANCH 255 MEMBERS ... It's that time again to NOMINATE your NEW Branch Officers & Executive for 2018 / 2019

Members are encouraged to attend Thursday's General Meeting on **MARCH 22nd**, 2018 its the night of Nominations for your new Branch Officers and Executive! You are welcome to Nominate any member who is in good standing and has attended a minimum of four (4) general meetings since the last Annual election to be eligible to stand for any position .

To serve on the Executive you must have been a member for at least 1 year. It would be wise to speak to the person you want to Nominate to see if they are interested in a position on the Executive.

Branch Officers to be elected:

- President
- 1st Vice President
- 2nd Vice President
- Secretary
- Sergeant At Arms
- (6) Executive as a unit

Branch Executive elected will be responsible for the following Committees :

- Bar
- Bingo (Marilyn Bremner)
- Bulletin Editor
- Bursaries
- Cadet Liasion
- Constitution and Laws
- Entertainment
- Event / Decorating Committee
- Honours and Awards
- House Committee
- Kitchen Liasion
- Ladies Auxiliary Liaison
- Legion Supplies

- Licensing
- Lottery Trust/Nevada
- Membership
- Poppy Chairman
- Public Relations Officer
- Remembrance
- Seniors
- Service Officer
- Sick & Visitation
- Sports Officer
- Treasurer (Linda Faubert)
- Website Coordinator (Elaine Dunn)
- Youth and Education

As you can see there are a lot of Committees to be looked after. We need a fully functioning Executive who are willing to donate their time on a regular basis throughout the year to keep the Branch active.

Nominations for Executive positions (will NOT) reopen THURSDAY, APRIL 26TH, 2017 General Meeting 7:00PM

ELECTIONS will be held on SUNDAY, APRIL 29TH, 2018 at 1:00PM Nominations for Executive positions (will) reopen.

Branch 255 Legion Mark your Calendars

### BURSARY - Linda Telley / Chairman

### **Provincial Command Bursary**

Deadline - Last Friday in March 2018

The Bursaries are open to all voting members their children, and grandchildren of the Royal Canadian Legion. All applications or flyers, are available at the bar.

As of January 1st, 2018 the Branch poppy Bursary Programme will be available all throughout the year. Same criteria will apply.

The Ontario provincial Command Bursary is now available in the "French version" on the Command Website.

This years recipient of the 2017-2018 Mary Turner Branch 255 Royal Canadian Legion memorial bursary, is BRENDAN ARNOLD. *Congratulations.* 

Branch 255 appreciates the support of our advertisers.

## SERVICE OFFICER - Jim Junn / Chairman

Last month I reported that Rebecca Calder Ontario Command Service officer will be in town to talk to anyone who has questions about benefits.

She will be here at Branch 255 on Friday March 23rd around noon.

If anyone has a question please see Jim Dunn to set an appointment.

#### ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION MASTERS SCHOLORSHIP IN VETERAN HEALTH RESEARCH



Canada provides our military with the best training and equipment in the world but we must also ensure that when these soldiers return home to the "new battlefield" of challenges due to physical and mental injuries or the social challenges of reintegrating into family and community life that they are provided with the same level of support. This support must be based on the best evidence possible resulting from research from the best and brightest Canada has to offer.

To this end, The Royal Canadian Legion is proud to award an annual entrance scholarship of \$30,000 (\$15,000/year for 2 years) to a Master's level student specializing in research related to Veterans and their families.

For more information on The Royal Canadian Legion, please visit: www.legion.ca

### Now accepting applications for 2018:

Please submit your PDF application by May 31, 2018 to CIMVHR and ensure receipt

## POPPY - Ken Marshall / Chairman

We have \$47,000 left in the Poppy Fund. We gave the Cadets \$5000 to help with the supplies and training. We purchased 2 bio neuro feedback machines at a cost of \$6000 for Windsor Services to help with the counselling seniors and veterans in the community. Windsor Services did a presentation at our General meeting thanking us and explaining their program. We also got positive feedback from CTV news.

## MEMBERSHIP - Cathy Qrown/ Chairman

### **RIVERSIDE BRANCH 255** is very excited to welcome our newest members:

Christine WillarAsTim TitusAsNeil BrayAsLee BrayAsJason SmithORon DaultAsJennifer hansonAsSara YablonskyAsWilliam McQuireAs

Associate Associate Associate Ordinary Associate Affiliate Associate Associate

Welcome Comrades to the Riverside Branch 255

Be sure to give them a great BIG WELCOME and make them feel right at home when you see them in the branch.

> from left to right; Ron Dault Sara Yablonsky Jennifer Hanson William McQuire

If you know of anyone who would like to become a member call 519-945-2012. It's easy and we can do it at your convenience. Be a part of it all and join our Legion family.

If you are aware of any member or veteran being in a care facility or the hospital, please drop in for a visit. tit certainly means a lot to those in care when a Comrade shows up for a visit to help brighten their day.





SPRING CONVENTION - Jim & Elaine Junn / Committee

The "District 'A' Spring Convention" will be hosted by Branch 594 on April 20-22, 2018 with the assistance of the other 4 Branches in our Zone.

John Antaya is the chairman and will be needing help in many different areas. There will be different committees formed that your help is needed.

We are looking to make this a great event for the Branch, and it can only be successful with your help! Please contact John at: jantaya4@cogeco.ca John will get back to you.

We are also looking for donations for a silent auction, and for the gift bags. We welcome any help you can provide!





Our Sergeant at Arms Bruce Tribute is on the road to recovery. He is now at the Windsor Regional Hospital on Prince road for therapy and recovery. We are all Praying he has a speedy recovery.

Your friends at Branch 255 ♥

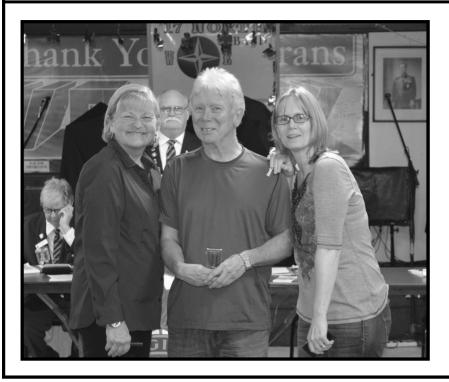
## EASTER SEALS - Jim Junn / Liaison

Save the date Sunday, March 25, 2018 The Zone A-1 Legions & Ladies Auxiliary members will be manning the phones to help raise funds for the 36th Annual Easter Seals Telethon. Volunteers are needed to help answer phones so if you are interested in helping, please contact Jim Dunn.



The location is Central Park Athletics 3400 Grand Marais Road, East, Windsor. Volunteers should arrive by 12:15 p.m. The Legion time slot is from 1 p.m. To 2 p.m. Pledge forms are available from Jim Dunn.

## HONOURS AND AWARDS - Jim Junn / Chairman



Congratulations!

Left to right: Cathy Brown, Ken Marshall, and Debbie Thompson for receiving a Branch Service Award Medal at the February General meeting for their dedication and hard work they do for our branch.

Also **congratulations** goes out to Vern Robbins for receiving his 15 year pin.

### 2828 RCAC CADET - Susan MccAree / Reunion Chairperson

With the blessing of the Royal Canadian Legion Branch 255 Ladies Auxiliary, the 2828 RCACC reunion committee will take over the Seniors DAY BAKE SALE, until May 31, 2018 in support of the Corps fundraisers.

### 2828 Royal Canadian Army Cadet Corps (Riverside)

Thank you to all who supported our reunion fundraiser on February 18. Special thanks to the hard working volunteers who donated their time and the many businesses for their donations to make this event a success. Donations included Spitfire Hockey tickets, Freeds gift certificates, Honey Bee Ham Co. gift certificate, East Side Marios Windsor spices and gift certificate, Oyster of Pearls, just to name a few.

# NEXT FUNDRAISER: Sunday, March 25, 2018, at Royal Canadian Legion Branch 255, 5645 Wyandotte Street East, Windsor, Ontario, 1:00 - 6:00PM

#### Changes to the reunion & parade:

Saturday, June 16, 2018, the 50th Annual Inspection /Parade will be held at the Major F A Tilston VC Armoury, 4007 Sandwich Street, Windsor. Markers called at 1300 hr (1PM). Families are welcome.

Following the parade, the 50 Year Reunion will take place at the Royal Canadian Legion Branch 255, 5645 Wyandotte Street East, Windsor. Meet & greet for 1700 hr (5:00PM), dinner for 1800 hr (6:00 - 8:30PM). Dress will be casual (no uniforms or jeans)

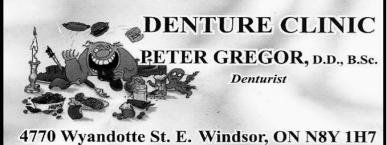
Looking forward to a great parade, fantastic reunion and fun time.

## CASINO BUS TRIP

### Casino Pointe Edward (Sarnia) MONDAY MARCH 5TH

Organized by Royal Canadian Legion Branch 255 Ladies Auxiliary.





Tel: (519) 948-7503





Thanks again to Lois and Ted Lawrance for donating their 50/50 winnings from Seniors Dinner February 12, 2018

Cathy Brown

Thank you Bayview Glass for donating the new door mirror for the women's washroom. Thank you Tim Soulliere for installing it.

Ken Marshall

### **BOOK YOUR NEXT EVENT WITH RIVERSIDE BRANCH 255 LEGION**

Thinking of throwing a party ? Have it at the Riverside Royal Canadian Legion BR 255 (5645 Wyandotte Street East ) Want food? We have our fabulous in house kitchen, DJ's GRILL, available to cater all of your parties, fundraisers , anniversaries, shin digs , Showers, grad parties, office parties , seminars , work shops , paint parties, and all events. We are also available for wakes and funerals. **Call 519-945-2012** 

### Five things to learn to say in Irish on St. Patrick's Day:

Hello (greeting): Dia Duit (Dee-a dit / How are you?: Conas atá tú? (Kun-is a-thaw-two)
Happy Saint Patrick's Day: Lá fhéile Pádraig sona duit (Law aye-la Par-ick sun-a dit)
Two pints please: Dhá phionta le do thoil (Gaw pee-un-ta le do hull)

And, of course, we can't forget: Let's take a selfie: Glacaimis féinphic (Glock-a-mead fein-pic)







Legion

## Familyservices

WINDSOR-ESSEX CONSELING & ADVOCACY CENTRE

First Vice President Ken Dault and Poppy Chairman Ken Marshall present a cheque in the amount of \$6000.00 to Family Services of Windsor-Essex.

FSWE was honoured to accept this generous donation from RIVERSIDE ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION BRANCH 255 WINDSOR ONT CANADA to support the purchase of 2 neurofeedback machines to expand treatment options in our professional counselling program.

Neurofeedback intervention offers a safe, non-invasive, non-harmful treatment for individuals to use the power of their own brain to help counter negative effects of many conditions. Conditions where it was previously thought that little could be done. Different people respond to different forms of treatment, so by adding neurofeeback to our services we are able achieve greater success with clients overall, as well as help us to broaden our reach to a wider portion of the population, including veterans and their families.



Each day is a gift with no refunds and no exchanges. Make the most of today!♥

### THE ROYAL CANDIAN LEGION DOMNION COMMAND

### CONTEST ALERT!

Win the Legion's Poppy Tote and support Canada's Veterans! All you have to do is like their Facebook page and comment below and you could be one of five winners. Contest ends on March 6, 2018.

Shopping totes and other items of Remembrance are available at the Poppy Store where proceeds help the Legion support Veterans.

https://www.facebook.com/CanadianLegion/



## Life IS BETTER when you're LAUGHING!

### Irish Family Tradition

Paddy had long heard the stories of an amazing family tradition. It seems that his father, grandfather and great-grandfather had all been able to walk on water on their 18th birthday.

On that special day, they'd each walked across the lake to the pub on the far side for their first legal drink.

So when Paddy's 18th birthday came around, he and his pal Mick, took a boat out to the middle of the lake, Paddy, stepped out of the boat ....and nearly drowned! Mick just barely managed to pull him to safety.

Furious and confused, Paddy went to see his grandmother .. "Grandma," he asked, "Tis me 18th birthday, so why can't I walk across the lake like me father, his father and his father before him?"

Granny looked deeply into Paddy's, troubled blue eyes and said, "Because ye father, ye grandfather and ye great-grandfather were all born in December, when the lake is frozen, and ye were born in August, ya bloomin' idiot!"

## A BIG THANK YOU TO OUR VOLUNTEERS

Our Legion would not be possible without the work of our dedicated volunteers. We sincerely appreciate everything they do for our Branch.

Because of this invaluable contribution, we're eager to say a big public "Thank you to our volunteers!

\*All the names of who give their time to volunteer at Branch 255 were placed in a hat and randomly selected by three members of the Legion and three (3) members at a time will be posted monthly in order as selected.\*

Debra Thompson - P.R.O. / Elaine Dunn - Editor

# A BIG THANK YOU TO OUR VOLUNTEERS Branch 255 Volunteers In the Spotlight



ROB & MARY GARANT are very active volunteers around the branch. They are always giving a helping hand when ever they can. Everyone has seen them around the branch helping out. You may remember them when they served you a meal at one of our events. They also helped put up decorations for Halloween and for Christmas.



Bob helped deliver and picked up poppies during our Poppy campaign and Mary helped roll many rolls of coins that were collected. And they've done so much more... Thank you Rob and Mary for all you do.

**RUTH POUPARD** mention the name Ruth Poupard and everyone agrees she has done a lot around the branch. She is a life member who has dedicated many years to branch 255. She has volunteered countless hrs in the kitchen preparing and serving food for many events and functions. For many years now, she has helped run the seniors dinner. She also helps prepare and serve hotdogs every year after the Remembrance Day parade. Ruth has done so much through the years it is impossible to mention it all. Thank you Ruth, for all you do.





**DEBRA THOMPSON** is one of the most cheerful and loved person at branch 255. Her dedication and hard work is very much appreciated by all. She is the Public Relations Officer of Branch 255. She volunteers many hours promoting the branch on our Facebook group page and so many other Windsor sites, also does some amazing posters. Debra is on the event committee and helps plan and decorate for big events. She also takes photos and posts then on our wall of fame for all to take. She has been a great asset to branch 255.We are so lucky to have her with us. Thank you Debbie for all you do.



### APPETIZERS

Mozzarella sticks (5) .. \$6.50 Thai Bites .. \$7.50 Basket of Onion Rings .. \$6.25 Pickle Spears (5) .. \$7.00 Chicken Fingers (3) .. \$7.00 Butterfly Shrimp (8) .. \$10.00 Basket of Fries .. \$ 5.50 Nachos & Cheese ... \$4.50 DJ'S Nacho Supreme .. \$12.00 Jalapeño Poppers (5) .. \$6.75 Snake Bites (10) .. \$10.00 Chicken Wings (10) .. \$8.50 (15) .. \$12.75 (20) .. \$17.00

### **SOUPS & SALADS**

Soup of the Day .. \$3.75 Bowl of Chilli .. \$5.50 Garden Salad .. \$5.25 Caesar Salad .. \$6.50

### **BURGERS & SANDWICHES**

DJ'S Burger .. \$7.75 Jumbo Hotdog .. \$4.25 Chilli Cheese Dog .. \$7.00 BLT .. \$5.00 Grilled Cheese .. \$4.50 Chicken Clubhouse .. \$9.50 Western .. \$5.50 Roast Beef .. \$6.75 Ham \$6.50

Large size menu is available at the kitchen window to the right.►

*Gift Certificates* Now available







BEST WISHES COMRADE ... !!! If you know a MEMBER of BRANCH 255 who will be celebrating a MILLINNIUM Birthday or Anniversary in the upcoming month, or would like to wish another member who is in the hospital Get Well. Also if you would like thank a branch member who went out of their way to help you or did a good act of kindness at our branch and would love to share it in our monthly Bulletin, please let Elaine Dunn know by email, on, here, or place the information in my Bulletin file behind the bar. If you have a picture to go along that would be great.

All submissions must be given to me no later than 4 days before the 1st of the month.

Elaine Dunn / Your Bulletin Editor elainedunnis@gmail.com

### **SENIORS**

### **DIINER & DANCE**

**Every Tuesdays** Dinner 4 to 6PM Music 3:30 to 6:30PM

Along with a **BAKEGOOD SALE** 4 to 5:30PM



May your day be touched by a bit of *Irish luck*. brightened by a song in your heart, and warmed by the smiles . . . .





## A VIDEO SHOOT TAKEN AT BRANCH 255

An official video by Windsor's very own Missy Jean and Matt James video shoot was created right here at Branch 255 . Well Done! Song title.. "Bring it on home to me"

Check it out on our Legion website at www.rclbranch255.com at the bottom of our home page or on our facebook page at https://www.facebook.com/groups/rclbranch255/





We kicked off SB Sunday with a video shoot for a duet! Thanks so much Chris @ LaSalle Studios.I think I can speak on all our parts when I say, we are excited to share when it's all done.

Massive Thank You to Royal Canadian Legion 255 who allowed us in before their party on a last minute bind!

Missy- Jean Taylor

May your thoughts be as glad as the shamrocks. May your heart be as light as a song. May each day bring you bright, happy hours that stay with you all the year long.



## DID YOU KNOW WHO WAS CANADAS FIRST LEGION?

Regina has the honour of being the first Legion established in Canada. When the Royal Canadian Legion was formed in 1926 it was the very first branch to receive its charter - Branch 001 located in Regina Saskatchewan .

## GET INVOLVED WITH THE LEGION $\textcircled{\bullet}$

Make a difference in the lives of Veterans, their families and our communities. Our Legion functions depend solely on the good will of volunteers.

#### FREEDOM IS NEVER FREE



The North Wall Riders Association is a group of Motorcycle riders, dedicated to support all Veterans functions. and raising awareness of our Veterans throughout the community.



NWRAWindsorChapter

Email: Windsor.NWRA@outlook.com





### Chance to WIN!!

ATTENTION all Legion Members.. THE LEGION is having ANOTHER VIA RAIL SWEEPSTAKE! Here's your chance to win a great trip. All you need to do is register with your membership # to enter . Good luck

The Royal Canadian Legion Dominion Command is thanking our members with a chance to see Canada's beauty!

Take short trips or one cross-Canada adventure with VIA Rail. To enter simply register your membership on our Member Services Website by April 2, 2018.

http://portal.legion.ca/registration

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## ST. PATRICK'S DAY CELEBRATION

SATURDAY, MARCH 17TH 11:30AM till close.

### **GET YOUR IRISH ON!**

We will be serving up a special menu of delicious **IRISH FOOD.** Enjoy: Corn beef n cabbage dinner, Corn beef sandwiches, Irish nachos Bangers n mash, or Irish beef stew.

GET LUCKY with live music *McOlden McYonge* while they perform from 2-5PM during our *MEAT DRAW* There will be plenty of chances to win some great cuts of meat. Don't forget to see if you have the LUCK OF THE IRISH for our *50/50 Draw.* 

The *Arden Academy Irish of Irish Dance* will be performing their fantastic Irish dances at 1:00PM. There will be 24 dancers in all. The *Emerald Isle Dance Society* will be Performing at 3:00PM.

Be sure to Stick around because the BR 255 SHENANIGANS won't end until after you all SHAKE YOUR SHAMROCK with *MISTER PLEASE BAND* starting at 8:30PM till close. It's going to be a huge celebration. Hope to see you all there. Rish

Dance

Debra Thompson / Public Relations Officer





### GOOD FRIDAY FISH FRY (March 30th )

Enjoy a delicious Fish Dinner from 12PM -10:00PM Enjoy your choice of:

2pc. Haddock \$10 / 1pc. Halibut \$15 3pc. Perch \$14 / Fresh Yellow Perch 6pcs \$16

There will also be a dinner choice for those who do not care for fish. (TBA)

All fish dinners include French fries, coleslaw and tartar sauce. Come in and relax while you enjoy the company of family & friends in a nice friendly atmosphere. Children are always welcome. It's going to be a delicious good time.

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