



# Winnipeg South Osborne Branch #252

## Bulletin

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### President's Report

Comrades summer is fast approaching and a number of events have come and gone with others fast approaching. June 4<sup>th</sup> we will celebrate Veterans Day with a memorial service. The Big Band will play and after the service a lunch will be put on by our ladies auxiliary in the Lounge. Also elected Delegates R.F. Liberty, A.M Wattis, H.Tucker E. Nichols will attend the Royal Canadian Legion Provincial Convention in Brandon MB. June 18<sup>th</sup> to 21<sup>st</sup>. The Branch will also host the Zone Meeting in September.

I have been advised that we will have live bands all summer this year a change from the past few years lets come out and support the Branch Inter Branch Sports such as Billiards and Darts have ended for this year and they are looking forward to next year already,

If you recall in my bulletin I had requested that our members who have not been to the branch in a long time come by to renew or make new friends. Unfortunately we have not had much success in this endeavor, I again seek the co-operation of our members to please come by the Branch, and give us your ideas or reasons you are not enjoying the benefits the Branch has to offer. I am confident that with greater membership involvement we could develop and maintain activities for all groups, however this cannot happen without YOU.

It is with regret that we have lost a number of our senior members, it is not that any one member who has passed is more or less important than another,

### Ron Liberty

however there are some who are more visible and more active at the Branch. One such person was Comrade Edna Milne. Edna who was former President of Imperial Veterans and who was on the amalgamation committee when Imperial Veterans amalgamated with Branch 97. Edna held Executive positions since the Amalgamation as well as being President of the Ladies Auxiliary. Edna at the time of her passing was sick visiting Chairman and she tirelessly visited all our sick members and Veterans, as well she helped out with the Sixty Five Club. "Edna you will be sorely missed by all who came in contact with you.

I would like to acknowledge and thank Dorothy Mckeen for her service to the Branch as an Executive Member in charge of Ways and Means, due to medical complications and other personal matters Dorothy had to resign her position. As such with the untimely passing of Edna Milne and Dorothy's resignation I am pleased to announce that George Dyck former Executive Member of St.Vital Branch has been elected as Executive Member and will take the Ways & Means Chair, George Thank you. Also Elected as an executive Member was Eileen Nichols she will assume the Sick Visiting chair with her co-chairman Yvonne Tonellier.

In closing I want our Branch Volunteers to know that they are Special people, your time, dedication and your "will" to make our Branch one of the very best is very much appreciated not only by me but by all our members as well, Jobs well done Thank you all

## Sgt-at-Arms

Marc C Pelletier

The Colour Party school went pretty well. There were 8 candidates, and 4 finished on time. There will be a makeup class in the next couple weeks for those that did not complete. Details to follow.

The Veterans Tribute Parade will be taking place on Saturday June 4th starting at 4pm with a concert put on by the 199 St Vital Air Cadet Band. Fall-in for the parade itself will be at 5pm, with the step-off at 5:15pm. Following the parade and wreath laying, we will adjourn to the Lounge and do some presentations to various community groups. The Ladies Auxiliary will be providing a light luncheon while the Branch #252 Big Band performs.

I hope to see many of you participating in the parade

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## Sports

Maureen Dunlop

Darts finished on May 10th. The Wind-up was on May 14th. Darts will be starting up again in the fall.

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## Sick Visiting

Eleene Nichols

With passing of comrade Edna Milne, I was elected by acclamation to the executive board at the General Meeting on Wednesday April 27, 2011.

My committee consists of Richard & Lois Hudson & Yvonne Tonnellier

We visited the following comrades:

- Ron Thompson—Golden Door Personal Care Home
- Bill Bowman—Riverview
- Cliff Raffey—Meadowood
- Joe Jarworski—Vista Park
- Joseph Hetzel—Victoria Hospital
- Joe Vlosek—Seven Oaks
- George Scott—at home
- Joe Wloski—at home
- Bill McKenzie—at home
- Desmond English—at home
- Lloyd O'Morrow—at home

We found all the comrades in great spirits. They all appreciated the latest Branch Newsletter and the Legion visits. They send their best wishes to all their comrades.

## MANAGERS REPORT

Hazel Bell

Not much has been going on. I realize that business has been getting slower now that the nice weather is approaching. We now have our phone service with Shaw, which we saved a bundle.

## Membership

Lois Hudson

We have 497 paid-up members to date

- Life—16
- Meritorious Life Member—1
- Ordinary—131
- Associate—295
- Affiliate—54

On April 27, 2011, we held an Initiation night at our General Meeting for new members. Ten new members came out:

- John Hodgert
- David Mazurkiwich
- Irma Mazurkiwich
- Wendy Wallis
- Rita Hines
- Adeline West
- Robin Righetti
- Gladys Thomas
- Lavern Daniels



And Walter West transferred in. Since that evening, Tom Durham has also been initiated.

WELCOME ALL!

Those who were unable to be there that evening, please come and be initiated and receive your Legion card.

A big THANK YOU!! To all the members who helped with the Initiation Evening. Much appreciated!!

Also, thanks to my committee members and a special thank you to the bar staff for all the work you for my chair.

## Bingo

Joan Pines

Bingo is very slow, we are loosing players. There have been complaints regarding the Bingo Machine. We are looking into getting a replacement.

Getting help is a real problem. The help we have is tired and want to quit. A letter was sent to the 199 Air Cadet Squadron Sponsoring Committee for help.

It has been noticed that there is a problem with the smokers at the front door.

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## Poppy

Richard Hudson

I am still working on the lists of businesses in the downtown and Pmebina Highway areas. I expect to have the list's completed by the end of May. Once completed, we will know how many poppies, coin boxes and trays we will need for our next campaign in November.

Letters have been sent out to the following businesses requesting permission to place poppy boxes and/or volunteer at their place of business for our 2011 campaign:

- Great West Life
- Portage Place
- 7-11 stores
- Sobey's Stores
- Grant Park Shopping Centre
- Zellers Grant Park
- Superstore St Vital

I have also spoken to Mr Bruce Walker of B.F.L Insurance Company and he will supply us with the proof of insurance (liability) letters for the above mentioned businesses.

Adrian Chapman has spoken with his employer and they will be supplying us with new coin boxes at no cost to us for our upcoming campaign

Permission has been received from Command to disperse Poppy Funds at our Veterans Tribute on June 4th as follows:

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| 1. Royal Canadian Legion Housing            | \$2,000 |
| 2. Deer Lodge Centre                        | \$4,000 |
| 3. Riverview Health Centre Foundation       | \$7,000 |
| 4. Military Family Resource Centre          | \$1,800 |
| 5. Royal Canadian Legion Caribbean Veterans | \$2,000 |

## Re-Hab & Bereavement

Moira Skelding

We mourn the loss of our comrades and extend our condolences to their families:

Name	Membership	Passed
Robert Gray	Ordinary Member—42 Years	August 28, 2010
Joseph Athayde	Ordinary Member—33 Years	January 4, 2011
Douglas Robert Milhaussen	Affiliate Member—11 Years	January 24, 2011
Joseph Beaumont	Ordinary Member—41 Years	February 6, 2011
Howard Bryson	Ordinary Member—50 Years	February 20, 2011
Joseph Schentag	Ordinary Member—46 Years	March 6, 2011
Mac Greenland	Ordinary Member—49 Years	March 15, 2011
Harry Stevens	Ordinary Member—34 Years	March 26, 2011
Alfred Phillips	Ordinary Member—66 Years	April 11, 2011
Tina Edna Milne	Life Member—29 Years	April 17, 2011



***They shall grow not 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.***

## Service Officer

Harry Tucker

Attended Zone 44 meeting at Morris, Man on Feb 12, 2011. Under Good & Welfare I spoke about the requirements need and equipment for veterans experiencing vision loss. All service officers should be made aware of this. The CNIB programs, services and their outreach to veterans will be inviting us to an Open House in the near future.

As a member on the Board of Directors of the FSNA (Federal Superannuates National Association) I was invited by the Winnipeg Branch to a meeting in Brandon. At the meeting, I met many military veterans, RCMP and retired Federal Civil Servants discussion their needs and requirements as it applied to them. Many of them are members of a Legion.

Based on the Veteran's Charter, veterans wounded or injured on duty may obtain an amount according to the percent of their disability. This amount for example for a disability of fifty percent could amount to approximately \$125,000 on a one time basis and when it is spent, there is nothing left. Should a pension instead of a one time lump be received, the veteran will receive a cheque each month for the life of the veteran.

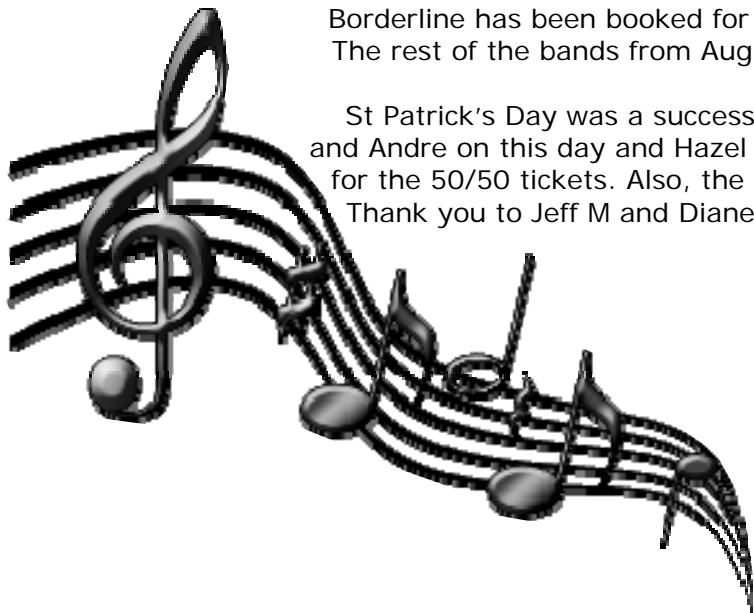
Now Veterans Affairs is considering adding an additional amount of \$1,000 to the one time lump. The veterans are not happy based on what is involved in the Veterans Charter. I understand that Veterans Affairs have plans to amend the existing Veterans Charter and more should be known at the Provincial Convention in Brandon in June.

## Entertainment Report

Tom Clark

Borderline has been booked for New Years and Levee. Thanks to Doug Fisher. The rest of the bands from August to December will be booked soon.

St Patrick's Day was a success! Thanks to James Deschamps, Cathy Ducharme and Andre on this day and Hazel Bell & Dorothy McKean for the draws, Joan Pines for the 50/50 tickets. Also, the decorating people, Andre, Nathalie and Joan. Thank you to Jeff M and Diane L for the cake that was donated.



<b>Band Name</b>	<b>Date Playing</b>
Storm Warning	Jun 3
Whisky Bent Band	Jun 10
After All These Years	Jun 17
Biiver	Jun 24
Dominoes	Jun 30 (Thursday)
Crosstown	Jul 8
Storm Warning	Jul 15
Whiskey Bent Band	Jul 22
Biiver	Jul 29
	Aug 5
Breeze	Aug 12
Crosstown	Aug 19
Storm Warning	Aug 26

**Warning: Dancers!**





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## 2011 General Meetings

### Branch 252 By-Laws

Section 2—Article 1 A regular meeting shall be held on the fourth Wednesday of February, April, June, September and November of each year at 7pm.

~~Wednesday February 23, 2011~~ ~~7pm~~

~~Wednesday April 27, 2011~~ ~~7pm~~

Wednesday June 22, 2011 7pm

Wednesday September 28, 2011 7pm

Wednesday November 23, 2011 7pm **\*\*ELECTIONS\*\***