



**Newsletter of the
Steinbach Branch #190
Jan/Feb 2016**

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Upcoming Events

Thursday & Friday, February 25 & 26 --- Ladies' Auxiliary Perogy Making --- 9:00am

Friday, February 19 --- Cribbage Night --- 7:00pm registration, 7:30pm cards dealt

Friday, March 4 --- Bud, Spud & Steak Supper --- 5:00-9:00pm --- at All D's Restaurant,
Tickets: \$20.00 per person

Saturday, March 12 --- Pancake Breakfast --- 8:30 to 11:30am

Saturday, May 7 --- Craft Sale and Flea Market --- 9:00am to 3:30pm

Sunday, October 2 --- Legion Fall Supper --- save the date!

See you at the next **General Meeting** on **February 2nd** at **7:30pm**. Get caught up on what's happening, express your ideas for fundraising, volunteer on one of the committees (even an hour here and there is a great help!!), or just connect with friends and acquaintances over a cup of coffee. Bring a friend or family member, too – we're always looking for new members.

Need perogies? The Ladies' Auxiliary will be taking orders for potato and cheese perogies until February 23rd. Cost: \$5.00 per dozen, individually frozen for your convenience. Contact any member of the Auxiliary to place your order.

2016 Branch Executive and Committee Chairs

President.....	B. Richards	Bar & Canteen	R. Giesbrecht
Past President:	K. Duncan	Bookings.....	J. Tourond
1 st Vice President	C. Borkowsky	Honours & Awards	B. Richards
2 nd Vice President	D. Duncan	Maintenance:	L. Dyck
Treasurer.....	L. Bilbey	Membership	D. Duncan
Secretary.....	<i>vacant</i>	Poppy & Remembrance....	C. Borkowsky
Sgt.-at-Arms	M. Lackey	Quartermaster	L. Borkowsky
Executive Committee:	R. Giesbrecht	Service Officer	B. Richards
.....	J. Brown	Sick & Visiting	W. Trapp
.....	L. Dyck	Sports	K. Duncan
.....	L. Borkowsky	Ways & Means.....	J. Brown
.....	J. Tourond		
.....	W. Trapp		

Membership

It's time to renew your membership! Good news - the cost has not gone up, remaining at \$40.00 for 2016. Send a cheque made out to "Steinbach Legion Br #190", with "*Membership Dues*" noted on the memo line. If your contact information has changed please include any updates and an email address if you would like us to have it. Cheques can be mailed to the address listed on page 1 or stop by the Legion at any of the upcoming events to drop off your dues. The Membership Chair will get your card to you as soon as possible.

Sick & Visiting

If you hear that one of our members is in the local hospital, please let us know so Cde. W. Trapp can arrange to make a visit or send a card. If you know a local veteran that could use a visit, that can be arranged too!

Legion Supply Orders

Would you like to order some great quality Legion casual clothing or maybe something to complete your Legion uniform? Dominion Command has set up an online shopping site called the Poppy Store: <http://www.legion.ca/members/shop/> where you can place your order directly with them. If you are not an online shopper, we have a copy of the Legion Catalogue in the office that you can look through, then place your order with Cde. L. Borkowsky.

Ways and Means

Grey Cup Tickets All 900 tickets were sold, congratulations to the following winners:

	<u>Correct Score</u>	<u>Reverse Score</u>
1 st Quarter	C. Gault, Winnipeg	G. Gottfried, Winnipeg
2 nd Quarter	M Connelly, Ste. Anne	T. Pohl, Winnipeg
3 rd Quarter	R. Iwankow, West St. Paul	R. Lagassee, (no town listed)
4 th Quarter	L. Mann, Winnipeg	E. Wai, Winnipeg

Christmas Cash Calendar We had a great response to this fundraiser and thank everyone for helping sell and also purchasing calendars. The draw dates were Tuesday, December 1st (Dec 1 -16) and Thursday, December 17th (Dec 17 – 31) at the Legion. These were the lucky winners:

Dec. 1 - \$25 - M. Warwick, Kleefeld	Dec. 17 -\$25 - R. Stevens, Steinbach
Dec. 2 - \$50 - C. Lampert, Amaranth	Dec. 18 -\$25 - C. Forbes, Steinbach
Dec. 3 - \$25 - I. Funk, Grunthal	Dec. 19 -\$50 - M. Hornan, Giroux
Dec. 4 - \$25 - G. LeBrun, St. Malo	Dec. 20 -\$50 - M. Brown, Steinbach
Dec. 5 - \$50 - T. Brandt, Winnipeg	Dec. 21 -\$25 - M. Perron, Ste. Anne
Dec. 6 - \$50 - K. Sabatier, Marchand	Dec. 22 -\$25 - R. Giesbrecht, Steinbach
Dec. 7 - \$25 - R. Harder, Steinbach	Dec. 23 -\$50 - D. Penner, Swan River
Dec. 8 - \$25 - D. Martin, Empress, AB	Dec. 24 -\$200 - J. Tourond, Steinbach
Dec. 9 - \$50 - B. Wiebe, Grunthal	Dec. 25 -\$25 - K. Klassen, Steinbach
Dec. 10 - \$25 - J. Whitehead, Woodridge	Dec. 26 -\$125 - G. Penner, Steinbach
Dec. 11 - \$25 - A. Walker, Winnipeg	Dec. 27 -\$50 - L. Dyck, Steinbach
Dec. 12 - \$50 - R. Osis, Lac du Bonnet	Dec. 28 -\$25 - R. Machan, Paradise Village
Dec. 13 - \$50 - R. Penner, Steinbach	Dec. 29 -\$25 - V. Dowhy, Steinbach
Dec. 14 - \$25 - A. Harder, Steinbach	Dec. 30 -\$25 - L. & R. Bilbey, Mitchell
Dec. 15 - \$25 - M. Hornan, Giroux	Dec. 31 -\$125 - B. Cameron, Steinbach
Dec. 16 -\$50 - B. Brown, Mitchell	

Wait...there's more....

Like to play Crib? The Legion is hosting a friendly night of **cribbage** on Friday, **February 19th**. Registration starts at 7:00pm, with games commencing at 7:30pm. There will be prizes, food and snacks for only \$5.00 per person. Come on out and show your card skills! Besides, it's a good way to keep your math talents up....

We're Doing It Again!! Yes, we're having another **Pancake Breakfast** on Saturday, **March 12th**, from 8:00 to 11:30 am. This year we decided to 'partner' with Steinbach Minor Hockey by having our breakfast on the weekend that they are hosting a Bantam tournament. The tournament attracts 170 players and by offering these players a free breakfast, we hope to see their parents, siblings, grandparents, and friends come out as well. Of course, everyone is welcome, so how about breakfast out that day? If you can, please consider volunteering your time that morning or making a donation to cover the cost of a box of sausages, or pancake mix, or syrup, or juice...it is all appreciated!

Bar & Canteen

After nearly 30 years of faithful service to our Branch and all of our guests (needing only a few minor repairs along the way), the bar cooler had to be retired. Thank you to Cde. M. Lackey for locating a smaller but much more energy efficient cooler (at no cost to the Branch) and also looked after the removal of the old one.

Poppy Campaign

Thank you to everyone for helping out with the 2015 Poppy Campaign, the delivery and pick up of poppy boxes is a huge task that would not be possible without the assistance of such fantastic volunteers. The Stoneybrook #307 Air Cadets, Steinbach Guides and Steinbach Scouts also helped out by handing out poppies at Clearspring Mall, Wal-Mart, Canadian Tire and SuperStore on the weekends. We started out with 17,000 poppies and very nearly ran out. We will be sure to have a larger supply on hand next time.

One school participated in the annual **Poster and Literary Contest**. Following the guidelines for judging, posters created by the following students were awarded prizes:

	<u>Black & White</u>	<u>Full Colour</u>
1 st place	C. Seifert	B. Brown
2 nd place	E. Moch	A. De Klein
3 rd place	E. Whitman	P. Funk

Thank you for all your creative efforts, the judging was a challenge for us!

We provide poppy boxes to a number of communities in the southeast, including Grunthal, Vita, Piney and Sprague. To show our appreciation for their participation with the poppy campaign, the Branch decided to offer assistance to the Vita & District Health Centre. We know a few of our local veterans have used their services over the years. The Steinbach Branch, with approval from Provincial Command, donated \$2,000 from the Poppy Fund for the purchase of four long-term care mattresses that will be used for beds in the personal care unit. Recently, Cdes.B. Richards and C. Borkowsky went to Vita to present Janet Chobotar, Director of Health Services - Vita & Area, with the cheque.

The Steinbach Branch also donated \$1,000 from the Poppy Fund to Deer Lodge Centre for the replacement of over-bed tables.



Other Branch News

The Branch property has been sold and effective February 1st, we will be renting the building from the new owner for the next 5 years. We hope this will resolve some of the uncertainty our members and the community have expressed and are looking forward to more events and activities at the Legion.

Three local veterans were awarded a medal of honour from the Government of France for their military service and participation in the liberation of their country during World War II. The Steinbach Legion is pleased to see that the applications prepared on behalf of John Owczar, Lloyd Lehman and Ben Klick were approved.

Do you require the assistance of a wheelchair or walker? The Branch has a few mobility aids that we loan out to our members. Items must be signed out and returned when no longer required. Let us know if we can assist you in this way.

Thank you to Penner Mobile Homes (via Cde. G. Penner) for the donation of funds to replace the CD/cassette player behind the bar. The family of Alex Tarasenko provided a \$100 donation in his memory. The Ladies' Auxiliary donated all of the kitchen rental funds received between October and December with a little extra to top it up to an even \$1,000. Lastly, Rob Toews presented a cheque in the amount of \$1,700 from Lakeview Insurance Brokers (Mutual Fire Insurance of BC) to the Branch at the January meeting. We are grateful for these donations, as they help with the day to day expenses and to replace old or outdated equipment.

Ladies' Auxiliary News

Maybe you've always wanted to learn how to make those soft, puffy perogies. Or maybe you would enjoy an afternoon out with coffee and conversation. We can help! Come and join us on February 25th and 26th while we make potato and cheese perogies as a fundraiser. We will be taking orders until we reach a maximum of 150 doz. If you can help out, give Jean a call at 204-326-2751.

The Ladies Auxiliary will be hosting a Spring Craft Sale and Flea Market on Saturday, May 7th at the Legion hall. Doors open at 9:00 am, admission is free, and there will be food available at the canteen and freshly baked goods from the Auxiliary Bake Table. Are you a crafter or have stuff to sell? Tables available for rent at \$25.00 each, call Lori at 204-326-4222 or email the Auxiliary at Steinbach190LA@hotmail.com to reserve yours, first come first served! *Great gifts ideas for Mother's Day for Sunday, May 8th!*

The Ladies Auxiliary always welcomes new members and we encourage all ladies to come out to a meeting to see if this would be of interest to you. We meet on the first Monday of each month, from September to June.

Bookings

Need a place to hold a meeting, a family gathering or a big celebration??? Consider the Legion as the location to hold your next event. We can accommodate up to 180 guests and the open floor plan makes it easy to adjust the table arrangement to suit your specific needs. We can provide bar service and the use of a PA system.

If your event involves food, we have a commercially licensed kitchen with industrial dishwasher and double commercial oven with 8 elements and a large warming surface. A great feature is the large walk-in cooler for food storage. The kitchen is also an approved community kitchen by Manitoba Agriculture, Food and Rural Development.

Any questions?? Send us an email at Steinbach190RCL@outlook.com or leave a message for Jen at 204-326-5335.

Display Cases and Memorabilia

Shortly, we will begin work on updating the display cases and would like to include a little information about where these items came from. If you or a family member donated memorabilia, please contact us so we can acknowledge where these items came from and get a little history about the item and donor. If you would like to help out with this project, that would be great, just let us know how you would like to assist.

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Finally, a little something for you to puzzle over....

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