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Introducing the Branch #122 Website

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Branch #122 is now on the World Wide Web.



Point your web browser to <http://rcl122.rockies.net> and check out our new website. It is in the early stages of development. Content and sections are being added daily. In addition to an Events calendar, Committee reports and an archive of past newsletters, the site will feature information about and concerning our branch and veterans. A Remembrance section to honour our fallen comrades and a full section about our Legion Cemetery are some of the planned features.

Please send your comments and suggestions to me at thickev@rockies.net.

Featured Member Benefits

Reprinted from www.bcyuk.legion.ca



Contact: Free Registration 1.888.268.5154

www.bcaa.com/legion

The majority of special BCAA Group Services are available to Legion Members residing in British Columbia. However, travel offers do extend to Yukon Legion Members.

- 5% reduction in fire insurance
- 25% discount for BCAA cardholders who upgrade to Premier level
- Waiver of \$18 enrolment fee for new BCAA memberships
- 50% reduction for additional household BCAA membership
- Free coverage on BCAA Travel Insurance for extra expenses due to flight delays
- 10 CAA Dollars when registering for automatic credit card renewal
- 100% replacement costs for lost Campaign Medals and their mounting, including family members' medals

Savings from the special BCAA Group Services and using the Show Your Card and Save partners, should exceed the cost of your annual Legion Membership.

Even if you are already a BCAA cardholder, please register for the special Legion Group Services.

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Officers and Executive Members

President:

Kathy Anderson

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Ed Coon

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Glen McBride

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Kim Hickey

Treasurer

Bill Ewing

Past President

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Judith Hardcasle

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Frank Bradford

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Executive Members

Jim Clamitt
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Terry Hickey
Charlene Fairchild

Committee Chairpersons

Poppy – Ed Coon

Sports – Glen McBride
Garth Burlock

Entertainment – Krista Sander
Kim Hickey

Canteen – Deb Roskewich

Ways and Means – Deb Roskewich

Sick and Visiting – Charlene Fairchild
Audrey Johnson
Vera Volard
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Bursaries – Kim Hickey
Terry Hickey

Cadets and Youth – Garth Burlock

By-Laws – Bill Ewing
Charlene Fairchild

Public Relations – Terry Hickey
Charlene Fairchild

Finance – Bill Ewing

Honours and Awards – Kathy Anderson
Deb Roskewich

Building – Terry Hickey
Garth Burlock

Membership – Kathy Anderson

Cemetery – Ed Coon
Terry Hickey

Seniors – Jim Clampitt

Committee Reports

Each month we will feature a report from the committee chairpersons to keep the membership informed on the projects they are connected with. Most projects encompass more than one committee so we will try to not duplicate. Please contact them directly if you wish to contribute with volunteer time or offer advice.

EVER WONDER WHERE THE MONEY RAISED BY THE LEGION GOES?

Here is a list of the donations the Branch made in 2008.

Muscular Dystrophy	\$1,347.50
3066 R.C.A.C.C.	1,000.00
Lady Grey parent advisory	2,000.00
Golden Curling Club	2,000.00
Interior Health	1,500.00
East Kootenay Volleyball	1,000.00
Golden Bantam A Rams	1,500.00
Golden Ladies Soccer Team	500
B.C. Guide Dog Service	500
APROO8DON, Golden Museum	1,500.00
Golden Dolphins Swim Club	1,000.00
Golden Basketball Association	500
Kids Help Phone B.C.	500
Golden RCMP Citizen's Patrol	1,000.00
Parent Advisory Group	1,000.00
3066 R.C.A.C.C.	1,500.00
Golden Food Bank Society	500
Interior Health (Durand Manor)	1,000.00
Golden Community Resources Soc.	500

Total **\$19,347.50**

Members Benefits Cont.

ACCENT INNS offers room savings in Victoria, Burnaby, Vancouver Airport, Kelowna and Kamloops. A \$5 donation is made to the Legion Foundation for every overnight stay



Legion Members.

Contact: 1.800.663.0298

www.accentinns.com

SANDMAN SIGNATURE HOTELS, INNS, SUITES AND RESORTS will offer 55 plus rates for Legion Members with reserved Veterans parking. A \$5 donation is made to the Legion Foundation for every overnight stay by Legion Members. Quote promotional code "LEGION" at time of booking. Blackout dates will apply, subject to availability.



Contact: 1.800.726.3626 www.sandmanhotels.com

MOORES CLOTHING has a special program for Legion Members called, "Perfect Fit". Register at any Moores store. Legion Members will earn a \$50 merchandise rewards certificate for every \$500 spent.



Contact: 1.866.231.6067

www.mooresclothing.com

Calendar Of Events

March 2009

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4	5	6 Meat Draw 5:30 Food Friday 6:30	7 Meet Draw 4:30 Birthday Party 7:00 music by Tripp Miller Everyone Welcome
8	9	10	11	12	13 Meat Draw 5:30 Food Friday 6:30	14 Meet Draw 4:30
15	16	17 St Patrick's Day	18	19	20 Meat Draw 5:30 Food Friday 6:30	21 Meet Draw 4:30
22	23 General Meeting 7:30	24	25	26	27 Meat Draw 5:30 Food Friday 6:30	28 Meet Draw 4:30
29	30	31				

Thought For the Day
A RETIREE'S THOUGHT...

My Wife asked, "Whatcha doin' today?"

I said, "Nothing."

She said, "You did that yesterday."

I said, "I wasn't finished."

Tidbits from "Out There"

Each issue we will include an interesting story concerning our Veterans or Legion Life. If you have a story that deserves to be heard contact the Newsletter Committee.



If you have a Canadian \$10 bill, look at the back right side of the bill.

- You will see an old veteran standing at attention near the Ottawa war memorial.
- His name is Robert Metcalfe and he died last month at the age of 90. That he managed to live to that age is rather remarkable, given what happened in the Second World War.
- Born in England, he one of the 400,000 members of the British Expeditionary Force sent to the mainland where they found themselves facing the new German warfare technique - the Blitzkrieg.
- He was treating a wounded comrade when he was hit in the legs by shrapnel. Enroute to hospital, his ambulance came under fire from a German tank, which then miraculously ceased fire.
- Evacuated from Dunkirk on HMS Grenade, two of the sister ships with them were sunk.
- Recovered, he was sent to allied campaigns in north Africa and Italy.
- Enroute his ship was chased by the German battleship Bismarck.
- In North Africa he served under General Montgomery against the Desert Fox, Rommel
- Sent into the Italian campaign, he met his future wife, a lieutenant and physiotherapist in a Canadian hospital.
- They were married in the morning by the mayor of the Italian town, and again in the afternoon by a British padre.
- After the war they settled in Chatham where he went into politics and became the warden (chairman) of the county.

At the age of 80 he wrote a book about his experiences and on his retirement he and his wife moved to Ottawa. One day out of the blue he received a call from a government official asking him to go downtown for a photo op. He wasn't told what the photo was for or why they chose him.

"He had no idea he would be on the bill," his daughter said.

And now you know the rest of the story of the old veteran on the \$10 bill.

