## KAKABEKA LEGION NEWS

## President's Report

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Happy New Year to everyone! We had a great year in 2014, and hope this year is the same.

We now have a great new kitchen, new stove, new paint and now a new dishwasher. It is a pleasure to work there. I know that Ken and Gary enjoy cooking meals there now.

Our Bingos are doing well but we sure could use MORE HELP. Even if you could do one Bingo a month would be great. Please phone Gary at 473-9361 or Mary at 475-9260 for more information.

We hope to have the Kakabeka Village Market back in May...which will be great. Of course the trailers will be going out again due the summer. They raised \$8100 last year. If anyone is interested in helping out, please let me know. We will be having a meeting in May to decide which events we will enter. This will be decided on whether we have enough volunteers to man the booth. We do have a lot of fun at these events, although it is a lot of work.

For the first time in a few years, we have a full executive to help plan the events of the Legion. The dances are going great and the Dinner/Dance on Valentine's Days was a success. There is another one planned for St. Patrick's Day.

Respectfully submitted, Comrade President Mary Majbroda

#### **Branch Contact Information**

#### **Mailing Address**

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#### St. Patrick Dinner & Dance

St. Patrick Dinner and Dance will be held on Saturday, March 21st.



Buffet Supper 6 - 8 pm

Tickets are \$25 per person

**Advance Sales Only Until** 

Wednesday, March 18th

Tickets may be purchased any Wednesday evening, or call Gary 473-9631, Mary 475-9260 or the Branch 473-9122

Dance Only - tickets are \$7 at the door

## Museum Update

Cdes Bill Majbroda, Art Barr and Morris Randle are working on the Military Museum. If any of the members have any military items they would like to donate, they would be glad to access them. Also, if anyone is interested in helping them, either with ideas or help, it would be much appreciated. Please phone Bill at 475-9260. They are to transform the former McKinnon room into a Museum. We have collected some books, pictures, uniforms, etc. We also had some the ceiling tiles painted with pictures of the war by students from Kakabeka School. If you have not been there in the last year, please come out to breakfast and look at this project. It is amazing.

Respectfully Submitted, Cde Bill Majbroda



## Membership Report

#### Don Kamula 935-2957

I would first like to start by welcoming all our new members, those who have transferred in as well as those who are new Legion members. I do ask that we all make these folks welcome at our branch. So don't be afraid to introduce yourselves.

Our membership has grown since last fall. Much of that growth is due to transfers from Branch #6. As you all know membership is key to sustaining the Branch and I would hope you would all encourage friends and relatives in joining up.

I would also encourage all members to come out to the monthly general meetings. They are held the third Saturday of every month (excepting July & August) at 3 pm. Get involved in the affairs of the Branch. We need new people with new ideas and vigor to continue to grow.

Now I will touch on annual dues. The annual dues remain at \$40, of which \$29.37 is forwarded to Dominion Command. There is the Early Bird Campaign every fall to encourage early payment of dues for the following year. We select from the names of the early renewals, one winner of the following years dues. This year's lucky winner is Chris Heald. Congratulations Chris!

The renewal of dues is the responsibility of each member. Some people, every year, still say to me that they never received a bill. We have never sent you a bill, what you will get is a reminder that you haven't paid. As of January 31st, you will be considered not in good standing and among other things your Legion magazine will cease. Check your membership card and if it still says 2014 then you know what you need to do.

Respectfully submitted, Cde Don Kamula

#### Service Officer

I will continue as Service Officer for 2015. If you have any questions on government programs or assistance through the Legion, please feel free to call me at 935-2957.

Respectfully submitted, Cde Don Kamula

#### **SPRING MEMBERSHIP DINNER**

The Spring Membership Dinner will be held on Saturday, May 2nd.



Symposium 5 pm
Dinner 6 pm
Mix and Mingle 7 pm
Tickets are \$12 for members
And \$18 for non-members

# Tickets MUST be purchased in advance <u>Cut-off date April 29<sup>th</sup></u>

They may be purchased any Wednesday evening, during our Breakfast on the 2nd Sunday of the month or call the Branch to reserve (473-9122)

## **KAKABEKA LEGION 2015 EXECUTIVE**

President – Cde Mary Majbroda
First Vice President – Cde Robert Graves Sr
Second Vice President – Cde Sheila Graves
Service Officer/Membership – Cde Don Kamula
Sgt-at-Arms – Cde Clifford Kerslake
Past President – Cde Ken Milenko
Secretary – Cde Ken Milenko

#### **Executive Committee Members**

Cde Monique Duval-Lavallee
Cde Gary MacDonald
Cde Laurie Lavallee
Cde Michelle Richardson
Cde Bill Majbroda
Cde Morris Randle

## **Meetings**

<u>Just a reminder – Meetings are 3rd Saturday of the month.</u>

There will be no General Meetings for the months of July & August.

Executive Meeting starts at 1 pm.

General Meeting starts at 3 pm.

### **Calendar of Events**

#### **March**

**10 -** Bee Keepers

21- Executive Meeting

**21**- General Meeting

21 - St. Patrick's Day Dinner &

Dance - see details on pg 2

**24 to 26** – Agricultural Show

**27 to 29** - District Convention – will

be held at Branch 5

**27 to 29 -** Silver Mountain Food Group

11 & 18 – Bingo – Doors open at 5 pm, Early Bird at 6:45 pm

NO Bingo March 25th

### **April**

**11 -** Dance - Quest 8 to 11 pm

**12 -** Breakfast 8:30 to 12 noon

**18**- Executive Meeting

18- General Meeting

**1, 8, 15, 22 & 29**– Bingo – Doors open at 5 pm, Early Bird at 6:45 pm

#### **May**

**2** – Spring Membership Dinner - see details on pg 4

**9 -** Dance - Quest 8 to 11 pm

**10** – Mother's Day Breakfast – 8:30 am to 12 noon

**16** - Executive Meeting

16 - General Meeting

**30 -** Dance - Quest 8 to 11 pm

**6, 13, 20 & 27** – Bingo – Doors open at 5 pm, Early Bird at 6:45 pm

#### **June**

**14 -** Breakfast 8:30 to 12 noon

**20 -** Executive Meeting

**20** - General Meeting

**20 to 23 -** Provincial Convention - will be held at Transcona Branch (Winnipeg)

**27 -** Kakabeka Village Market - 10 am to 1 pm

**3, 10, 17 & 24** – Bingo – Doors open at 5 pm, Early Bird at 6:45 pm



## **Cribbage**

Every Saturday from 1 to 4 pm. Come join the fun in the Club

Last Post

Cde Robert Atchison

We Will Remember Them



#### **DON'T FORGET**

If you know of any of our members that are sick or in hospital, please let our service officer know.

Our service officer is there to provide assistance for any of our veterans should they need help with Veterans Affairs benefits or programs. The VIP program is most important! Veteran Independence Program is front and center!!!

Please contact Cde Don Kamula @ 935-2957

#### Just a reminder -

If you are a member and would prefer to receive your bulletin via email vs. snail mail, please send me your email address. I will not share your address with anyone.

#### Thanks, Michelle - magicken@tbaytel.net

This newsletter is best viewed on our website! It is in full colour and the photos look much, much better.

Please visit us at www.kakabekalegion.ca