



Royal Canadian Legion Branch 61

Newsletter – September 2019

President's Report

We have had a very busy summer, with catering, Boardwalk Days Parade lunch, preparing for the fall supper and the craft show and other events. Both the craft sale and the fall supper have sold out.

We have also lost some very dear friends, Legion members, family and Ladies Auxiliary members this past few months. They will all be deeply missed and were oh so loved. Hopefully time will make us remember them all with a smile.

The Legion will open for Catch the Joker on Friday nights and closed on Saturdays (unless there is an event taking place) due to poor attendance.

Thank you for all your prayers and support, it has been greatly appreciated. I want to thank the Executive and others who have really stepped up to do everything they can to improve this Legion and help me through these trying times.

See you at the Legion.

Your President, Cde Lorraine Andrushuk

Ways and Means

After the Boardwalk Days Parade, we served one hundred and seventy nine people lunch and free drink.

In August we hosted the Entrega Motor Coach Association for their 2019 Rally. It was a very successful event with lots of nice people from across the USA and Canada.

The Fall Supper on September 7th was successful!
Thanks to all our volunteers 😊

The Fall Craft Sale is on September 14, 2019. Shop for unusual crafts or our Ladies Auxiliary baking.

Kids Hot dog day will be September 18, 2019.

Thank you to all the volunteers for your hard work in making these events successful, especially Jim on the grill.

Cde Velma Darroux & Cde Lorraine Andrushuk,
Ways & Means Co-Chairpersons

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Sick & Visiting Chair: Cde Peggy Kennedy

Branch Chaplain: Cde Beth McLean

Newsletter

Thank you to everyone for your submissions to the newsletter!

If there is anything else you would like to see included, please let me know and I'll try my best to include it.

Cde Velma Darroux
Newsletter Chairperson

1st Vice President's Report

I Represented the Branch at the following events.

June 2

The 36th Annual Ceremonial Review of the 182 Royal Canadian Air Cadet Squadron in Hanger 1, Gimli Industrial Park.

June 20

The 2019 Graduation Ceremonies, Scholarships and Awards at the Gimli Recreation Centre and presented the Branch Scholarship Certificate to Destiny Pemkowski. Destiny will receive her \$500.00 after she provides us with her tuition receipt.

June 25

The Annual Board Meeting of the Gimli Seniors Resource Council at the Gimli Community Health Centre in Gimli and presented a donation from the Branch.

July 26

The Graduation Parade for the first intake of the Basic Aviation Technology and Aerospace course held at Dr. Johnson Middle School in Gimli.

July 27

The Winnipeg Beach Boardwalk Days Parade.

Aug 16

The Graduation Parade for the second intake of the Basic Aviation Technology and Aerospace course held at Dr. Johnson Middle School in Gimli.

Aug 23

The Glider Pilot Scholarship Wings Parade held at Dr. Johnson Middle School in Gimli.

Cde Clint Kennedy

Sports Report

Floor Curling

There is a sign up sheet on the bulletin board for anyone interested in joining us for some fun beginning in October.

Details will follow.



Membership

2020 membership cards are now in. if you pay your membership before December 1st, you will be entered for the Early Bird Draw to receive your 2021 membership free. Last year's winner was Katheleen M.

Your support is important to us. If you are renewing online, please ensure that you put in our district and Branch number (04-061).

Honours and Awards Lunch

November 30 @ 2:00 p.m.
lunch will be followed by the presentation of awards and the Cash Calendar Draw. Tickets are available for \$10.00

Sick and Visiting Report

It has been a solemn summer with the passing of Branch Member Joanne Gaudreault. I attended her funeral on August 24th, 2019 and delivered flowers and card to the family on behalf of the Branch.

I also attended the funerals of three of our LA Members, Marie Bregman, June Miller and Deanna Wilson. Flowers and cards were delivered to their families on behalf of the Branch.

I will be contacting members of the Branch for contributions to the silent auction at the Halloween Social, to be held on October 26th, 2019. If you wish to contribute to this, You Can call me at 204-642-8199 or drop items off at the Branch.

As a reminder, if you are aware of any Members of the Branch who are sick or in the hospital, please notify the Branch, or call me at 204-642-8199.

Cde Peggy Kennedy

Ladies Auxiliary Report

The Spring Craft and Bake Sale were a great success. Production of our Ukrainian specialties has started for the next sale on September 14th.

Summer has been very busy with funerals. We lost three of our very dear members - Marie Bregman, June Miller and Deanna Wilson. These ladies will be missed by all. Our prayers and condolences to their families.

Our Lady's Auxiliary 90th Anniversary Tea was very well attended. This included all Ladies Auxiliary members from District 6, a few dignitaries and also our veterans. Life Membership awards were given to Sonya Dodd and Pat Thompson. Two Ladies Auxiliary members turned 90 years old - Mary Turkewich and Ann Rogoski. There was a standing ovation for them and our 96 year old Veteran Walter Scoular. The Tiny Tots of Winnipeg Beach School presented homemade poppies to all the Veterans to show their appreciation for their service. This was such a big hit. Members of the Gimli Cadets served the food and beverages to all that attended. It was a most enjoyable day for everyone. All of our Ladies Auxiliary members did a wonderful job putting this event on.

The Ladies Auxiliary participated in the Boardwalk parade and assisted the Branch in serving lunch to all the Shriners and dignitaries that were in the parade.

Ladies Auxiliary donated \$1629.00 to the Branch to cover the cost of repairing the cooler in the kitchen.

Our Ladies served lunch to about 90 Canadian Motorcycle Cruiser members. Their bike ride was to raise money for the Children's Wish Foundation.

Ladies Night out is on September 28th. Come out and enjoy all the fun. Tickets are available but limited quantity and they are going fast. Price is \$10. Phone Ellie at 389-5969.

We look forward to welcoming new members. We meet on the second Wednesday of each month. Membership is \$15.00.

Joan



Marie Bregman
June Miller
Deanna Wilson
Joanne Gaudreault

Veteran's Coffee & Comradeship

Veteran's coffee is still going strong. Our next get together will be Friday, September 20th at 10:00 a.m. As of October, we will be switching to the 3rd Thursday of the month.
October 17 @ 10 a.m.
November 21 @ 10 a.m.
December 19 @ 10 a.m.

Craft Sale

September 14th

10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Lots of vendors, baked goodies and Ukrainian specialties. The kitchen will be open and lunch can be purchased.

COME OUT AND PLAY SOME CARDS with the Winnipeg Beach Lakeside Seniors at the Legion. We are a group of approximately 80, young minded people, 55+ years of age. If you are 55+, come out on Mondays to play CRIBBAGE and/or on Wednesdays for WHIST. Come for the fun and it's only \$ 3.00! Enjoy the coffee, snacks and much more. Cards start at 1:30 PM so come early. For more details, call me, John Wilson, President of Winnipeg Beach Lakeside Seniors Club @ 204-792-4777



Upcoming Meetings

call: Ways & Means Co-Chairs Velma Darroux 204-642-2840 or Lorraine Andrushuk 204-389-3186 or the Legion office 204-389-2660 **or** rclbr61@mymts.net

September 2019

- Sept. 7 – Fall Supper
- Sept. 11 – L.A. meeting 10:00 a.m.
- Sept. 14 – Fall Craft Sale 10 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
- Sept. 16 – Executive Meeting 7:10 p.m.
- Sept. 28 – L.A. Ladies Nite Out

October 2019

- Oct. 5 – Dart Tournament 10:30 a.m. Cost \$5 per person with 100% payout
- Oct. 9 – L.A. meeting 10:00 a.m.
- Oct. 11-14 & 21– Elections Canada rental
- Oct. 26 – Halloween Social
- Oct. 28 – Executive Meeting 7:10 p.m.
- Oct. 31 – Halloween Give Away
- **No Senior's cards on 14 & 21 October**

General Meeting

Tuesday, November 26,
2019 @ 7:10 p.m.

November 2019

- Nov. 8 – WBS Remembrance Day Service
- Nov. 11 Remembrance Day Service: 10:45 am
- Nov. 13 – L.A. meeting 10:00 a.m.
- Nov. 16 – United Church Luncheon 2:00 p.m.
- Nov. 18 – Executive Meeting 7:10 p.m.
- Nov. 26 – General Meeting 7:10 p.m.
- Nov. 30 – Honours and Awards – 2:00 p.m. lunch followed by awards and Cash Calendar Draw. Tickets available \$10.00

December 2019

- Lion's Club Cookie Walk 10 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.
- Dec. 11 – L.A. meeting 10:00 a.m.
- Dec. 16 – Executive Meeting 7:10 p.m.
- Dec. 19 – Veterans Lunch – 12:00 noon

*NOTE: The Legion will be closed
December 15, 2019 until January 10, 2020*

January 2020

- Jan. 11 – Malanka



Our veterans alongside the Entegra Coach Owners veterans

Secretary's Report

Branch 61 has received generous donations from the community and the membership with respect to the recent kitchen renovation project.

Thank you to the following donors for their generous support of this successful project:

- Branch 61 Ladies Auxiliary - \$3000.00
- Winnipeg Beach/Dunnottar Lakeside Lions Club - \$3000.00
- Noventis Credit Union - \$2868.00
- Town of Winnipeg Beach - \$2500.00
- Lakeside Seniors - \$500.00
- Private donations - \$500.00
- Branch 61 Ladies Auxiliary - \$1629.46 for kitchen cooler repairs

Thank you to all donors for their gift of support received for the Branch 61 kitchen renovation project!

Other miscellaneous donations have also been received from the members and the community such as:

- cash donations toward the Catch the Joker lottery
- an estate cash donation to the Poppy Fund
- kitchen equipment donations
- four private "In Memory" donations
- several silent auction items in support of our fundraising events

Thank you to all donors for supporting the Wpg Beach Legion Branch 61!

Donations on behalf of Branch 61 have been delivered to:

- Gimli Seniors Resource Council - \$200.00
- Winnipeg Beach Bandstand Sponsorship - \$250.00
- Cancer Care - \$50.00
- Gimli District Health Auxiliary - a Legion hamper in support of their silent auction
- Legion members/families wellness fruit baskets/flowers

Cde Teresa Beauregard

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If anyone knows of any **Branch #61 Legion member** that is ill or hospitalized please contact Peggy directly at 204-642-8199 or Winnipeg Beach Legion at 204-389-2660.

Open Positions

If you are interested in being a part of our Executive Committee in one of the following positions (Sports Chairperson, Membership Chairperson or Service Officer), please contact Lorraine at 204-894-3701 or the Legion at 204-389-2660

Be part of making a difference

They served and sacrificed for our freedoms. Becoming a member of the Legion is the ultimate way to show your gratitude and give your support. You don't have to be a Veteran to join and make a difference.

JOIN TODAY

At the service of all Veterans

We are Canada's largest Veteran support and community service organization, helping Veterans, members of the Canadian Armed Forces, RCMP and their families get the care and support they deserve.

DISCOVER OUR SERVICES

Legions in our communities

As the cornerstone of communities across the country, we provide essential services and supports to help Veterans, seniors, youth and those in need.

EXPLORE

The Legion bar is open to the public on Fridays at 4 p.m. with meat draws at 7 & 8. Catch the Joker sales are from 6 – 7:45 with the draw at 8 p.m.

Hall rental has many dates booked until the end of the year. Due to so many rentals on Saturdays, we will not have the bar open to the public for the rest of this year. This has been one of the best years for rentals.



Prizes for
Best Costumes!

Halloween



50/50 draw

Social

Silent Auction

October 26, 2019

Winnipeg Beach Legion

Dance to music
by DJ James

8:00 p.m.

Late Lunch

\$10.00



Tickets available from:

Legion 204-389-2660

Velma 204-642-2840

Red Apple, Gimli (Tamara)

