



KINGSWAY LEGION 175
LADIES AUXILIARY

GENERAL MEETING MINUTES
April 22, 2025

The meeting was called to order at 12:40 p.m. by President Blondie Charlet, by Ritual (Treaty Land Acknowledgement, O Canada and Prayer).

The Sgt.-at-Arms reported there were 13 members present, and one guest.

Roll Call; Blondie Charlet, Kim Earles, Mary Good, Phyllis Moldowan, Charlotte Bueckert, Sharon Clemens, Alice Graham, Marilen Pytel, Janice Langston were present.

Excused: Reba Baskerville, Eldean Baskerville and Geri Britton.

INTRODUCTION OF GUEST; Janet Hazen 2nd Vice President of Legion, welcome.

Janet informed the ladies that the Legion is holding a Veterans dinner and would like the ladies that volunteer at the Kipnes Centre to let Bev know that the veterans from the Kipnes are invited.

Janet also advised the ladies that the Legion is holding a \$50,000.00, 50/50 raffle and asked for any ladies that can help sell tickets it would be greatly appreciated.

INSTALLATIONS: None

INITIATION AND GUESTS: One guest.

MINUTES OF THE GENERAL MEETING: For March 18, 2025 were reviewed, no errors or omissions were found.

Motion to accept minutes was made by Kim Earles, seconded by Jan Langston, and carried.

MINUTES OF EXECUTIVE MEETING: Minutes for April 15, 2025 were reviewed, no errors or omissions were found.

Motion to accept minutes was made by Jan Langston, seconded by Kim Earles and carried.

CORRESPONDENCE: None

TREASURER'S REPORT: Sharon Clemens reported as of March 31st, 2025 there is \$5,299.40 in the general account, \$15,463.13 in the meat draw account and \$10,215.25 in GIC.

Sharon Clemens so moved her report, seconded by Arlene Murray and carried.

MEMBERSHIP: Charlotte Bueckert reported we presently have 60 members; 55 members are active.

Charlotte has been calling the ladies that haven't paid, and only got one response advising her that she is on holidays and will pay when she returns.

Charlotte Bueckert so moved her report, seconded by Mary Good, and carried.

MEAT DRAW: Mary Good reported the meat draws continue to do very well, support is great, and people are enjoying themselves. Mary thanked Jan Langston for stepping in and doing the mic while she was away.

Mary Good so moved her report, seconded by Jan Langston and carried.

BINGO:

1. Next Free fun bingo will be held on May 10th.
2. Dates for Legion bingo at Kensington are posted in the office for those who would like to volunteer.

WAYS AND MEANS: Jan Langston thanks everyone that helped to make our Easter Raffle, Bake Sale and White elephant table a success. An estimated break down of money brought in is as follows (Sharon Clemens will confirm these numbers once she has completed her financial reporting for the month).

1. Raffle - \$2,380.00
2. Bake Sale - \$445.00
3. White Elephant Table - \$160.00
4. Meat Draw - \$950.00
5. 50/50 - \$420.00

Unfortunately, the white elephant table didn't do so well, items left over will be donated to the upcoming Legion garage sale, items that are not sellable at the garage will be donated to goodwill etc.

Jan has given thank-you cards out to Steve Criss for making the raffle tickets, Mary Good and Bill O'Brien for selling so many of the raffle tickets and to Janet (Blondie Charlet's daughter) for providing the beautiful advertising poster for the legion foyer.

After the summer break the executive will plan our next fundraiser.

Does anyone know what happened to the Christmas ornament that was in the back storage room? Blondie Charlet advised she has given it to one of the staff members.

Jan would like to thank all the ladies for the great support in making the LA so successful!

Jan Langston so moved her report, seconded by Arlene Murray, and carried.

VETERANS CENTRE: Marilen Pytel reported that she hasn't received a report from Bev yet.

Marlen advised of a few upcoming activities the Kipnes Centre will be holding.

- a. Monthly birthday party
- b. 80th Anniversary Party

The celebration of life that was held today was very emotional, herself, Kim Earles, Blondie Charlet and Sharon Clemens attended.

- For questions regarding recreation programs please contact Shauna 780-442-5734.

Volunteers are always needed.

Marilen Pytel so moved her report, seconded by Jan Langston, and carried.

SICK AND VISITING: Kim Earles contacted Leah Carmichael to bring flowers after her eight-day hospital stay. She wanted me to thank the Ladies Auxiliary for thinking of her but to put the flower money back into our funds as a donation. She was having great difficulty breathing when I spoke to her.

I contacted Loree. She is now on at home dialysis. I thanked her for the food she brought in for the raffle basket.

Eldean contacted me April 21st. She had received a call from Leanne that Rosemary has been moved to Capital Care Granview Continuing Care Home. She currently has covid. The home is at 6215 124 St in Edmonton.

Eldean is still sick and feeling dizzy. She will try to get into her doctor this week.

Kim Earles so moved her report, seconded by Winnie Gjerde and carried.

Discussion: Correction, Winnie advised that Candice Jackson was not in hospital, she was sick at home.

PHONING: Committee members are advising LA members that honours and awards will take place at our next general meeting on May 20th, 2025.

COMMUNICATION: Reba keeping in touch with Blondie on ensuring the LA report is ready for the Legion Newsletter.

SOCIAL: Discussion took place on if we should continue the snack after our general meetings. Apparently, some ladies have been charging the LA for what they bring, and others have been just donating their contribution. After discussion it was decided this would be tabled till our September meeting and a vote will take place as to the follows;

- To continue with getting paid with an increase from \$30.00.
- To donate your contribution.
- Not have it at all.

CHAPLAIN: No report.

HONOURS AND AWARDS: The honours and awards committee April 15th to review and set budget for upcoming celebration. A budget of \$300.00 was agreed upon.

MOTION, Kim Earles made a motion that we spend up to \$300.00, seconded by Jan Langston and carried.

Kim Earles so moved her report, seconded by Mary Good and carried.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT: Blondie Charlet reported that the Bake Sale and Raffle were a great success, a big thank you to the ladies who helped, it was so appreciated. The support for the LA is huge.

Blondie advised the LA that she will be away for the next executive meeting, and Mary Good 1st Vice will be in charge. Please all executive members in charge of committee's let me know if you are going to be away, I am more than happy to help.

I would like to thank everyone the cards and condolences during our family's time of grief.

Blondie Charlet so moved her report, seconded by Winnie Gjerde and carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Spring Rally will be held in Gibbons on April 27th. Registration is 10:00 – 10:45 a.m. Cost is \$15.00. The ladies will meet in the Legion for opening ceremonies and then move over to the community centre for their meeting. Sign up sheet was passed around for those wishing to attend. Please ensure you list any dietary restrictions.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Madam Kim Earles is updating the LA Pamphlet. Samples were passed around for everyone's feedback.
2. New address for AB-NWT Ladies Auxiliary Command is, 5003 – 52 Ave. Wetaskiwin, AB T9A 0W9.
3. Westlock LA will be holding an 80th anniversary celebration, Kim Earles will let the LA know when date and more information is available.

DOOR PRIZES: Attendo: Estelle Comeau – absent Next: \$25.00
Door Prizes: Not Held
50/50: Blondie Charlet – Won \$18.50 (donated it back to the LA)

DATE OF NEXT EXECUTIVE MEETING: May 13th, 2025 at 12:30 pm

DATE OF NEXT GENERAL MEETING: May 20th, 2025 at 12:30 pm

Motion for adjournment at 1:40 pm was made by Jan Langston.

Meeting was closed by ritual - God Save the King.

Blondie Charlet
LA President
Kingsway Branch 175

Phyllis Moldowan
LA Secretary
Kingsway Branch 175

