



## The Royal Canadian Legion

### Kingsway Branch No. 175

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[www.kingswaylegion.ca](http://www.kingswaylegion.ca)

"The Home of Hospitality"



#### BRANCH HOURS

Mon - 5:00 pm - 11:00 pm

Tue - Wed 11:00 am - 11:00 pm

Thu - Sat 11:00 am - 12:00 pm

Sun - Closed

#### BRANCH OFFICE

Mon - 5:00 pm - 11:00 pm

Tue - Wed 11:00 am - 11:00 pm

Thu - Sat 11:00 am - 12:00 pm

Sun - Closed

#### CANTEEN BAR

Mon - 5:00 pm - 11:00 pm

Tue - 11:00 am - 11:00 pm

Thu- Sat 11:00 am - 12:00

Sun - 11 am - 2:30 pm

#### KITCHEN

Mon - 5:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Tue - Wed 11:00 am - 8:00 pm

Thu - Sat 11:00 am - 9:00 pm

Sun - 11:00 am - 2:30 pm

#### BRANCH GENERAL MEETING

The last Tuesday of every month  
except July, August, and December.

#### PAST-PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

Hi Comrades,

As this is my final message, I would like to Thank all the Members, current and past for their support during my service to the Kingsway Branch No. 175. It was a Honour of being your President for 9 years, out of the 21 years of service as an executive member in various positions .

At this time I wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a Health and Happy New Year.

RM Torrie. MMM, CD

Past President

#### PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

President Rick Etamnski wishes all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year

## ATTENTION!!

**NEXT GENERAL MEETING**

**Jan 28, 2025**

# **INSTALLATION OF KINGSWAY LEGION BRANCH NO. 175 OFFICERS AND LADIES AUXILIARY OFFICERS**













# **Kingsway Legion Ladies Auxiliary Giving the new President and Past President a donation of \$10,000 for the Legion**





# Membership

## Fallen Comrades

It is with deep regret that we announce the following members

Name	Age	Date	Service
Edith Norma Leben	77	Nov 24/24	Air Force
William Cockburn	82	Dec 5/24	AV



## Our Newest Members

If you see our new members in the Legion please take a moment out and welcome them.

Ordinary	Associate	Affiliate
Garry Barrett	Christine Barrett	Julie Chemilnisky
Dawna Buchanan	Jami Johansson	Alberto Mazzzocca
Rosemary Lennie	Lorna Chiasson	
Allen Nigel Allen	Donna Bedard	
Gregory Popp	James McGregor	
Carmine Antonuuci	William Bishop	
Kelly Hutchison	Cheryl Popp	
Borden, Gonder	Darrell Burns	
	Charlotte Burns	
<b>Transfers:</b>	Faye Taylor	
Robert Bard, Ottawa Br 15	Phillip Maron	
	Debora Heberling	<b>Associate</b>
	Dale Gardner	<b>Transfers:</b>
<b>Reinstatement:</b>		Rosemary Nipshank, Ottawa Br15
Jeffrey Vincent, Brockville, Br 96		Cameron McMorran New Westminster, Br 02

### Members in Good Standing as of Oct 17, 2024

Affiliate	274
Associate	458
Life Members	25
Ordinary	469
<b>Total:</b>	<b>1226</b>

We are offering a **free first year of membership** to all serving and retired CAF and RCMP members who have not yet joined the Legion.

The **free first year membership** is also open to all parents or guardians, spouses and children age 18+ of serving, retired or passed CAF and RCMP members who have not yet joined the Legion.

**Join generations of Veterans, military families and supporters.  
Become a member today.**



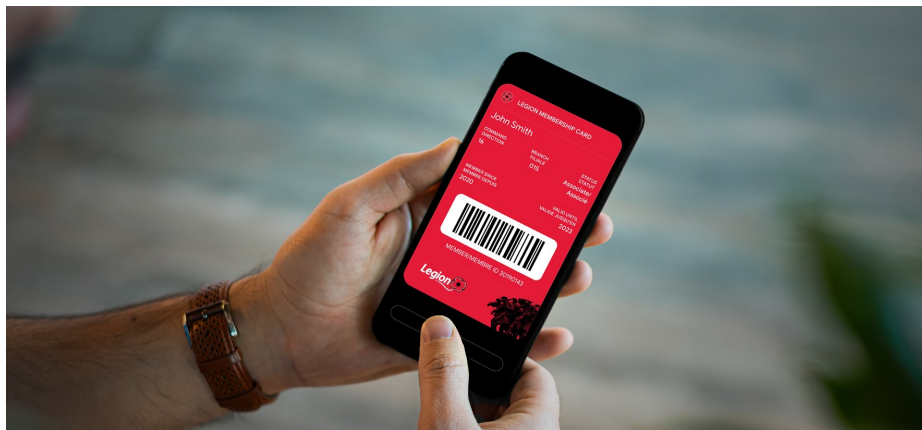
## Membership

### Next General Meeting

**Tuesday Jan 28, 2025 at 7:00 pm**

The general meeting gives you a chance to let us know how we are doing and what we can do to make it better for you the members. Please attend the General Meetings and help to keep the Legion running.

### New Digital Membership Card Now Available!



[Get More Details](#)

The Dominion Command Membership Committee is pleased to announce the launch of the Digital Membership Card! A Member can now choose a traditional plastic card or a Digital Card.

The Digital Card meets the needs of Members who prefer the option to store and carry their card on their mobile device. Additionally, the Digital Card offers considerable administration savings for the Legion

### This is a special message to all veteran grandparents

There is a new bursary form on the Kingsway Legion #175 Website. Your grandchildren can benefit from this bursary for further funding their education.

<https://kingswaylegion.ca/bursary-application-form>

With the cost of living going up this might be an added benefit for their schooling.



# *Let us Prepare your Christmas Dinner*



**Cooking a turkey might seem a big task this year so let us help make your Christmas Day a little easier.**

**Our Take Out/ Dine In Christmas Dinner is available December 25 from 12:00-6:00 pm.**

**Place your order your by Dec 20 and pick it up or dine in.**

*Cost: \$35.00 per person*

**Your meal includes:**

*Slow Roasted Turkey Fully Cooked Carved White and Dark Meat  
or Glazed Baked Ham*

*Creamy Yukon Gold Mashed Potatoes*

*Honey Glazed Baby Carrot*

*White Wine-Spiked Green Peas*

*Traditional Savory Stuffing with Candied Cranberries*

*(gluten free option available upon request at no extra charge)*

*Gravy from Home Made Turkey Stock.*

*(gluten free option available upon request at no extra charge)*

*Assorted Homemade Cookies or Squares*

*(gluten free option available upon request at no extra charge)*

**Call 780-425-8654 or drop by the office to place your order**



*Kingsway Legion's*  
NEW YEARS EVE PARTY

RING IN

2025

DECEMBER 31

THE ONLY PLACE TO BE ON NEW YEARS EVE

*Featuring The Diamond Band*

Playing good Country Classics, Country  
Swing tunes, polkas and waltz's!

TICKETS

ADVANCED SALES: PRIOR TO DEC 17

\$65.00/LEGION MEMBERS

\$70/Non-LEGION MEMBERS

TICKET SALES: DEC 18 - 28

\$70.00/LEGION MEMBERS

\$80/Non- LEGION MEMBERS

YOUR TICKET INCLUDES:

- DINNER BUFFET
- A GLASS OF CHAMPAGNE TO  
TOAST IN THE NEW YEAR
- DOOR PRIZES
- PARTY FAVORITES
- MIDNIGHT SNACK

*Tickets Now On Sale*

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# 80'S

## MUSIC BINGO

### SATURDAY JAN 11, 2025

*Register on Eventbrite for \$5.00 (plus gst and service fee)*

*and receive 2 cards free*

*Doors open at 5:00 pm*

*Games start at 7:00 pm*

*Cards: \$4.00 ea or 2 for \$7.00*

*Prizes for best dressed , 80's costume &*

*Most Participation*



**COME EARLY FOR DINNER & STAY FOR THE FUN**

*Kingsway Legion 14339 50th St. Edmonton 780-425-8654*





# Get Yer Kilt It's Robbie Burns Night



With Traditional "Ode to the Haggis"

## Saturday Jan 18, 2025

Dinner & Dance \$50.00 (+gst)

Dinner of Haggis, Roast Beef, Neeps, and Tatties

With accompaniments Scottish Whiskey, Dessert, Coffee

Music provided by "DJ Alan Dee"

Ticket available at  
the Branch  
or  
[Eventbrite.ca](https://www.eventbrite.ca)



Doors Open: 5:00 pm

Dinner 5:30 - 6:30 pm

Music: 7:00—11:00 pm

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KINGSWAY **LEGION**  
PRESENTS  
A TRIBUTE TO CREEDENCE CLEARWATER REVIVAL

# CANADIAN COLDWATER REVIVAL

**SATURDAY  
FEBRUARY 8th**

14439 - 50th St. NW, Edmonton, Alberta

DOORS OPEN AT

**5:00 PM**

DINNER AT

**5:30 PM**

DINNER AND SHOW - \$65.00

SHOW ONLY - \$35.00

Plus GST

**SHOWTIME**

**7:00 PM**

WWW.KINGSWAYLEGION.CA

**Ticket available at the Legion**

**Call: 780.425.8654**

or at

Eventbrite.ca



## **Menu**

**Baked Smoked Ham**

**Scallop Potatoes**

**Mixed Peas & Carrots**

**Pickles , Buns, Salads  
& Dessert**



# Murder Mystery & Dinner Evening

Saturday Feb 15, 2025

Entrance Fee \$50.00 (+gst)

includes an all you can eat Pasta Dinner

The Night Chicago Died

Crime Scene

October 24, 1931

Al Capone is on trial for tax-evasion.

But what if Capone beats the rap?

Step into a world of relentless lawmen,  
greedy rivals, and illegal liquor



Ticket available at  
the Branch

or

Eventbrite.ca



Doors Open: 5:00 pm

Dinner & Show 6:00 pm

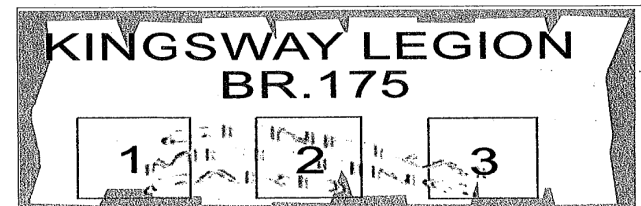
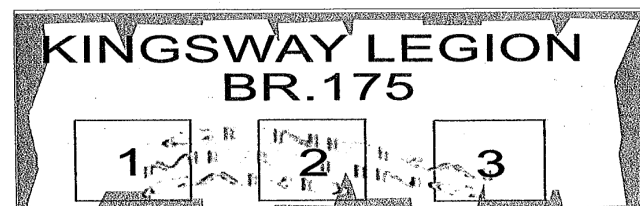
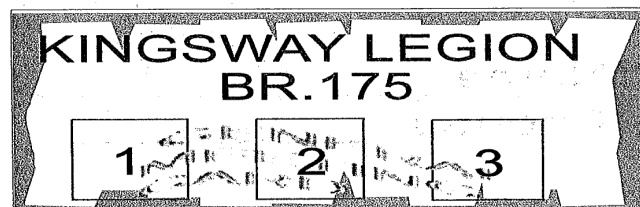
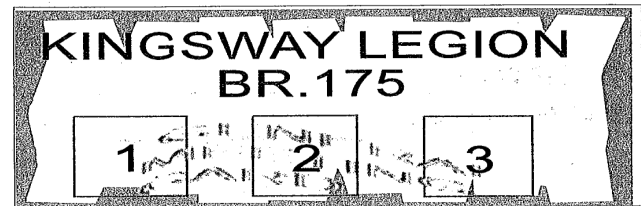
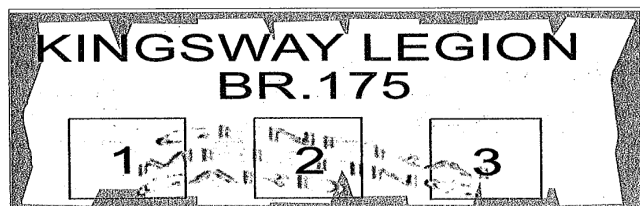
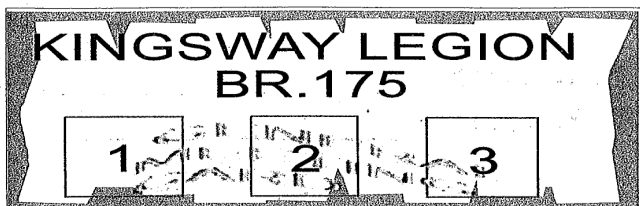
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## LEGION LOYALTY CARDS

EACH LEGION MEMBER WILL RECEIVE A LOYALTY CARD STARTING IN THE MONTH OF APRIL. THE CARD HAS THREE SQUARES ON IT AND EACH TIME YOU ATTEND A GENERAL MEETING YOUR CARD WILL BE STAMPED AND INITIALED. EXECUTIVE MEMBERS ARE EXEMPT FROM HAVING A CARD.

ONCE A MEMBER HAS ATTENDED THREE MEETINGS AND HAS ALL THREE SQUARES FILLED IN THE CARD GOES INTO A DRUM FOR A PRIZE DRAW THAT WILL BE HELD AT THE FOURTH GENERAL MEETING.

A NEW CARD WILL BE GIVEN TO MEMBERS AFTER ALL SQUARES ARE SIGNED OFF. AS YOU DON'T HAVE TO BE PRESENT TO WIN, YOU MUST PUT YOUR NAME AND PHONE NUMBER ON THE BACK OF THE CARD.







## **Kingsway Legion Ladies Auxiliary**



### **Ladies Auxiliary**

**Kingsway Legion Br 175**

**December Newsletter 2024**

**Congratulations to Blondie Charlet our newly elected Ladies Auxiliary President!**

**Estelle Comeau and Zelda Doell have left the executive after many years of service. Thank you for all your volunteer time ladies with the LA and the Kipnes.**

**Come to the Legion on Saturday December 14th and check out our bake sale, white elephant table, raffle, ham and turkey draw and 50/50. Sales in the foyer begin at 11AM. If you are dropping off baking please drop off between 10 and 11 AM. The meat raffle begins at 1 PM followed by our 50/50 and raffle draws. Thank you everyone for your continued support.**

**The LA Free Fun Bingo will take place Saturday Dec 21st after the meat raffle and 50/50. There will NOT be an LA meat raffle on December 28th. We will be back to weekly meat raffles January 4th.**

**We wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!**

**From Your Ladies Auxiliary**



## A Talk with the Padre

A Christmas Note from the Padre, Christmas 2024

I would like to begin with an apology. (must be Canadian) I acknowledge that I have been absent for the past number of months. The reasons are myriad, but suffice it to say that I have been battling with some health issues following a trip to Ottawa which then developed into Pneumonia, and I am at the tail end of that issue. With that out of the way, please allow me to extend to each of you reading this my sincere appreciation for serving, or having served. You are my heroes, and I thank you.

I also extend to you all the best of the Christmas season we are moving into. I trust that each of you will be able to enjoy the best this season has to offer. I am very much aware that for some, this will be the First Christmas without a loved one in your lives, and to you I extend my condolences and my prayers that somehow the Child of Christmas, may be evident as you go through this season without that loved one.

### CHRISTMAS

On Nov. 08, 2024, a movie based on the 1970s Book “the Best Christmas Pageant Ever” was released into theatres. The story of the Herdmans’ is well known. The Herdmans are the worst kids in the history of the world. They lie, steal, and swear. So, no one is prepared when this outlaw family invades church one Sunday and decides to take over the annual Christmas pageant. None of the Herdmans has ever heard the Christmas story before. Their interpretation of the tale—the Wise Men are a bunch of dirty spies—has a lot of people up in arms. And their wild antics cause havoc throughout the play’s production. But the actual pageant is full of surprises for everyone, starting with the Herdmans themselves, as they ultimately lead the town in finding the true meaning of Christmas. They will make this year’s pageant the most unusual anyone has seen and, just possibly, the best one ever.

And while my comments do not do the movie or the book justice, you get a sense that this family has no knowledge of the Christ Child, and yet their lives are ultimately changed when they encounter the Manger in the nativity scene. So they volunteer to be part of the story that they have never heard before, and their lives are changed for the better. They are so impacted by the truth of the Christ Child, they give extreme expression to it, and for them the takeaway is, that this Baby in the Manger is the Very Son of God who came as a gift for everyone, including you, me and all of us today.

**John 3:16: For God so Loved the World, that He gave His ONLY SON, that who ever believes in Him shall be saved. The world, that includes you and me, and the whoever also includes you and me. And like the Herdmans we can experience this Gift of Life.**

The Christmas Story is really wrapped up in this Gift of God’s Son to us, His creation. This Gift of Jesus traveled from Heaven to Earth on a single mission, to provide an opportunity to enter into a relationship with the Father Himself.





## **A Talk with the Padre**

### **Isaiah 9:6**

**For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace.**

This Gift of Christmas, the Christ Child is the true meaning of Christmas, and while we will enjoy family times, good food, maybe too much, good drinks, and if we are fortunate enough to have small children or Grand Children, we will see the lights in their eyes as they open gifts, and experience the joys, smells, laughter of the season.

Somewhere in the midst of the celebration, maybe like the Herdmans we will stop and pay honour to the one who came as a baby, for the express purpose to provide for us the opportunity to enter into this relationship with a God who loves us dearly.

Comrades, may the joy of Christmas go with each of you as you gather to enjoy some peace and quiet, and may this Christmas be special for each of you. And oh yes, if you get a chance find a theatre near you and take in the movie: **“The Greatest Christmas Pageant Ever.”** You’ll be glad you did.

Until next time.

Rev. R.D. (Bob) Wiebe, Padre,

Royal Canadian Legion, Kingsway Branch #175,

Edmonton, Alberta

# Free daily admission to all Parks Canada administered locations for active members and Veterans of the Canadian Armed Forces and their immediate families




The Government of Canada acknowledges and respects the extraordinary contributions and sacrifices made by Veterans of the Canadian Armed Forces, Canadian Armed Forces members and their families. Parks Canada is supporting the health and wellness of members and Veterans of the Canadian Armed Forces and their families



By presenting the [CF One Platinum](#) card, which is administered through the Canadian Forces Morale and Welfare Services Agency, or the [Veteran's Service Card](#), active Canadian Armed Forces members, Veterans of the Canadian Armed Forces and their immediate families receive free daily admission to all Parks Canada administered locations.



A cartoon illustration of a cow and a pig in a field. The cow is white with pink spots and a pink nose, looking towards the right. The pig is pink with white spots and a pink nose, looking towards the left. They are both smiling. The background is a soft-focus field of green grass and white daisies under a light blue sky.

# Ladies' Auxiliary Saturday Afternoon Meat Draw

**Ticket on Sale 1:00 pm**

**Draw 1:30 pm**

**12 Regular &**

**1 Bonus Draw**

**Tickets \$1.00 each**

**50 /50 Raffle**

**Ticket on sale**

**following the Meat Draw**

**10 Tickets for \$5.00**

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**Lets Get Moooving to  
Kingsway Legion's  
Wednesday Night Meat Draw**



**Ticket on Sale 5:30pm**

**Draw 6:00pm**

**12 Regular & 1 Bonus Draw**

**Tickets \$1.00 each**

**50 /50 Raffle**

**Ticket on sale following the Meat Draw**

**10 Tickets for \$5.00**

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## SPECIAL NOTICE

# MILLER CROSSING FARMERS' MARKET

EDMONTON, AB



For updates on this event checkout our website:

[millercrossingfm](http://millercrossingfm)

or on Facebook

[facebook.com/millercrossingfarmersmarket](https://facebook.com/millercrossingfarmersmarket)

Over 45-50 Vendors,

Farmers market will be held indoors **Sunday, Oct 6th, 2024**

and every Sunday until **December 22, 2024**

From 11:00 am to 3:00 pm



Fresh vegetables , locally  
grown

Locally made Arts and  
Crafts

RR mobile Sharpening  
Need your knives sharpened come and  
see Bill



**Every 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of every month  
1100 hrs**

	<p><b>RCL Kingsway Branch 175 14339 50 St NW Edmonton Alberta</b></p>	
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**Veterans of the Canadian Armed Forces, RCMP and Allied Forces are welcome. You do not need to be a Legion member to attend.**

**Open to all Veterans. Your local legion is here supporting our area.**

**Come meet fellow Veterans in a safe, non-judgemental atmosphere of comradeship. There will be free coffee, tea and soft drinks.**

**For more information contact Louise Abdou at [Edm175buddycheckcoffee@hotmail.com](mailto:Edm175buddycheckcoffee@hotmail.com) or call 780-868-8917**





## Special Notice

### Grey Cup Winners

1<sup>st</sup> Quarter \$100.00 prize  
Dale Werner

2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter \$150.00 prize  
Dave Olsen

3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter \$150.00 prize  
Joyce Hrywkiw

Final \$300.00 prize  
John Rutledge

## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

### Kensington Bingo

Kingsway Legion Bingo Schedule  
for 2023 – 2024

Thursday, Dec 26

Tuesday, Jan 14

Wednesday, Jan 29

Thursday, Feb 13

Tuesday, Feb 25

Tuesday, Mar 4

Wednesday, Mar 12

Anyone wishing to volunteer please  
contact Lisa LaBossiere 780 438-  
5472 or 780-238-6401 or leave a  
message at Kingsway Legion  
Branch 175 at 780 425-8654



**Drop in canasta will continue over the summer on Tue and Thurs with a start time at 12:30 pm.**

**Same rules apply, feel free to come and join us.**



# Legion



## BSO OSI

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# OP VETBUILD

Operation VetBuild is a Royal Canadian Legion initiative run by the RCL's OSI Special Section (BSO Legion OSI). This is a peer to peer program by veterans, for veterans and includes RCMP and allied veterans. The objective is to help improve mental health through hobby and in this case, table top / miniature games, model building and board games 100% free to veteran's.

***Will be held every 3rd Saturday of the month.  
From 1pm -4pm***

**OP VETBUILD**

**Contact: Anthony Sowards  
teutonicknights@shaw.ca**

**TABLETOP**

**Contact: James Morris  
phgang02@hotmail.ca**

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## DECEMBER 2024

**Branch Hour: SUNDAY CLOSED MONDAY 5 pm – 11:00 pm, Tuesday- Saturday 11 am – Close**  
**Closing time varies depending on number of people in the Canteen**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>1</b>  <b>BOTH ROOMS</b>	<b>2</b> Opens at 5 pm Pool EEE 6pm Crib 6:30 pm Darts 7 pm	<b>3</b> Pool Tourney 11:30 Canasta 1 pm Over 60 Darts 1 pm Dart League 7pm	<b>4</b> EDM Police Family 12:30 pm Meat Draw 5:30 pm Triple EEE Pool 6pm Peggys 6:30 pm Euchre 7 pm	<b>5</b> Pool Tourney 11:30 Canasta 1 pm Over 60 Darts 1pm Pool League 6:30 pm Shuffleboard 6:30pm City Darts 7 pm	<b>6</b> Drop in LA/Legion Shuffleboard 1pm Shuffleboard 6:30 pm Entertainment: 7 – 11 pm Trick Ryder	<b>7</b> Pool Tourney noon Meat Raffle & 50/50 1 pm Entertainment: 7 – 11 pm Trick Ryder
<b>8</b>  <b>BOTH ROOMS</b>	<b>9</b> Opens at 5 pm Pool EEE 6pm Crib 6:30 pm Darts 7 pm	<b>10</b> Pool Tourney 11:30 Canasta 12:50 Over 60 Darts 1 pm Dart League 7pm	<b>11</b> EDM Police Family 12:30 pm Legion Buddy Coffee 11 am Meat Draw 5:30 pm Triple EEE Pool 6pm Peggys 6:30 pm Euchre 7 pm	<b>12</b> Pool Tourney 11:30 Canasta 1 pm Over 60 Darts 1pm Jam Session 5 pm Old Tyme Fiddlers Pool League 6:30 pm Shuffleboard 6:30pm City Darts 7 pm	<b>13</b> Drop in LA/Legion Shuffleboard 1pm Shuffleboard 6:30 pm Entertainment: 7 – 11 pm Sparkling Tones	<b>14</b> Pool Tourney Noon <b>CHRISTMAS BAKE SALE</b> 11 am Entertainment: 7 – 11 pm Sparkling Tones
<b>15</b>  <b>BOTH ROOMS</b>	<b>16</b> Opens at 5 pm Pool EEE 6pm Crib 6:30 pm Darts 7 pm	<b>17</b> Pool Tourney 11:30 Canasta 12:50 Over 60 Darts 1 pm Dart League 7pm	<b>18</b> EDM Police Family 12:30 pm Meat Draw 5:30 pm Triple EEE pool 6pm Peggys 6:30 pm Euchre 7 pm	<b>19</b> Pool Tourney 11:30 Canasta 1 pm Over 60 Darts 1pm Pool League 6:30 pm City Darts 7 pm	<b>20</b> Drop in LA/Legion Shuffleboard 1pm Shuffleboard 6:30 pm Entertainment: 7 – 11 pm Dean Henry	<b>21</b> Pool Tourney Noon Meat Raffle & 50/50 1 pm Free Fun Bingo 2pm Entertainment 7 – 11 pm Dean Henry
<b>22</b>  <b>Both Rooms</b>	<b>23</b> CLOSED	<b>24</b> Pool Tourney 11:30 Canasta 12:50 Over 60 Darts 1 pm CLOSED AT 4 PM	<b>25</b> <b>XMAS DAY</b> <b>CLOSED</b>	<b>26</b> <b>BOXING DAY</b> <b>CLOSED</b>	<b>27</b> Drop in LA/Legion Shuffleboard 1 pm NO ENTERTAINMENT  <b>CLOSED AT 7 PM</b>	<b>28</b> Pool Tourney Noon NO ENTERTAINMENT  <b>CLOSED AT 7 PM</b>
<b>29</b> <b>CLOSED</b>	<b>30</b> <b>CLOSED</b>	<b>31</b> 11 am – 4 pm <b>OPENS AT</b> <b>5:30pm for</b> <b>NEW YEARS</b> <b>EVENT</b>				