WHITEHORSE LEGION NEWSLETTER

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PRESIDENTIAL RAMBLINGS

Our Strategy Planning is proceeding rather nicely. We are coming up with lots of ideas and ways to make your Legion even better. Big thing is that we want to keep the doors open and Legion around for many years to come. Part of the process is to get your input and the communities' input. On Saturday, March 2nd, we will be having an open house. Boards and displays will be set up for people to see what the Legion is all about. We will be looking for your ideas and suggestions about our thoughts and plans. The Legion exists to support its members, the community and the Veterans and their families. Please pass the word around and invite them all to come check out the Legion and help us with our planning to help you.

Veterans Affairs Canada – Pension for Life. You may be eligible to receive more funding from VAC in the form of a monthly pension, if you received a lump-sum Disability Award and where the amount under the Pain and Suffering Compensation's monthly payment option would have been higher had this option existed at the time of your Disability Award. You do not need to apply for this additional monthly amount. You will receive a letter or you can log on to "My VAC Account" and view the letter there if you already have an existing account. Each VAC member is being reviewed and you will be notified if you are eligible. Payments are scheduled to start in April 2019.

There is a chance to win a \$2500 Shoppers Drug Mart gift card for yourself and a \$2500 voucher for your branch to spend at a local grocery store. Renew your membership online before April 30, 2019 to enter the draw. Already renewed at the branch? You can still enter by completing your online profile before the deadline. Click the link below to join or renew.

Click her to Renew / Join or complete you online profile!

Rendezvous preparation is in full swing. There is a coordination meeting planned for Thursday, 7 Feb at 1730hrs (5:30pm) for all those interested in helping out. We need some volunteers for the Pub Crawls, Dinner / Dances, Breakfasts, and many other events. Spare an hour or two, we could use you. It is not hard work. If all you can do is sit and sell meal tickets, that is a great help. If you can move tables and chairs, that's a help too. Nobody will be turned away. The schedule is out in the calendar below. If you are able to help out, please come to the meeting on 7 Feb or contact myself or the Legion. This is a big fund raiser and any little bit of help is greatly appreciated.

Always remember that this is YOUR Legion. *The Whitehorse Legion, your home away from home.*

Upcoming Important Dates (check newsletter for more details as required)

Branch Meetings: 2 nd Thursday of the Month 3 rd Thursday of the Month 4 th Thursday of the Month	Finance MeetingExecutive MeetingGeneral Meeting	14 February, 1730hrs (5:30pm) 28 February, 1730hrs (5:30pm) 28 March, 1900hrs, (7pm)
Ladies Auxiliary Meetings: 1 st Monday of the Month	- General Meeting	11 February, 1730hrs, (5:30pm)

<u>WHATSUP at your Legion for January / February 2019</u> Legion members are welcome every day at their legion. Bring a guest.....sign them up!

DATE	WHAT'S HAPPENING	
Jan 28 Mon	CANCELLED 1300 (1pm) Scrabble Beginners Welcome	
	1830 (6:30pm) – Euchre	
Jan 29 Tue		
Jan 30 Wed	1830 (6:30pm) - Texas Hold'em	
Jan 31 Thu		

DATE	WHAT'S HAPPENING
Feb 1 Fri	1800 (6pm) - TGIF – Ribs, Rice, Salad & Desert
Feb 2 Sat	1400-1600 (2-4pm) Genealogy Workshop (details in upcoming events)
	1830 (6:30pm) - Crib – Registration closes at 1825 (6:25pm)
Feb 3 Sun	Closed
Feb 4 Mon	CANCELLED 1300 (1pm) – Scrabble – Beginners Welcome
	CANCELLED 1830 (6:30pm) – Euchre
	1600 (4pm) – Yukon Quest 300 Banquet (Invitation Only)
Feb 5 Tue	
Feb 6 Wed	1830 (6:30pm) - Texas Hold'em
Feb 7 Thu	1730 (5:30pm) – Rendezvous Coordination Meeting
	1900 (7pm) – Music Trivia
Feb 8 Fri	1800 (6pm) – Valentine's Day TGIF – Food & Music TBD, Chinese Auction Legion
	Style
Feb 9 Sat	1830 (6:30pm) – Crib - Registration closes at 1825 (6:25pm)
Feb 10 Sun	Closed
Feb 11 Mon	1300 (1pm) – Scrabble – Beginners Welcome
	1730 (5:30pm) – Ladies Auxiliary Meeting
	1830 (6:30pm) – Euchre
Feb 12 Tue	Evening - YOOP Meeting
Feb 13 Wed	1830 (6:30pm) - Texas Hold'em
Feb 14 Thu	1730 (5:30pm) – Finance Meeting
Feb 15 Fri	1800 (6pm) – TGIF – TBD
	2200 (10pm) – Rendezvous Pub Crawl
Feb 16 Sat	1100 (11am) – Rendezvous Shuffleboard Tournament
	2200 (10pm) – Rendezvous Pub Crawl

	February 16- CANCELLED – Cribbage League
Feb 17 Sun	1200 (12am) – Lounge Opens
	1400 (2pm) – Rendezvous Cribbage Tournament Commences (NO Late Arrivals)
Feb 18 Mon	1300 (1pm) – Scrabble – Beginners Welcome
	1830 (6:30pm) – Euchre
Feb 19 Tue	
Feb 20 Wed	1830 (6:30pm) - Texas Hold'em
Feb 21 Thu	1800 (6pm) – Rendezvous Braggin' Rights Texas Holdem' Tournament
Feb 22 Fri	1800 (6pm) – TGIF – Beef Dip
	1900 (7pm) – Rendezvous Dance
Feb 23 Sat	0900 (9am) – 1100 (11am) Breakfast
	1000 (10am) – Horseshoe Tournament starts
	1530 (3:30pm) – Chili Tasting Contest
	1700 (5pm) – Chili Dinner
	1900 (7pm) – Rendezvous Dance
Feb 24 Sun	1100 (11am) – Horseshoe Tournament finals
	1800 (6pm) – Rendezvous Military Wrap-up Soiree (INVITATION ONLY)
Feb 25 Mon	1300 (1pm) – Scrabble – Beginners Welcome
	1830 (6:30pm) - Euchre
	1900 (7pm) – Whitehorse Ranger Patrol Meeting
Feb 26 Tue	Evening - RCMP Veterans
Feb 27 Wed	1830 (6:30pm) – Texas Hold'em
Feb 28 Thu	1730 (5:30pm) – Executive Meeting

Ladies Auxiliary Corner

The LA holds their regularly scheduled meetings to the first Monday of each month at 5:30 pm. Next meeting is scheduled for 11 February due to Yukon Quest 300 Banquet. Members of the LA will be attending LA Convention in Penticton, BC from 11-14 April.

Upcoming Events

Genealogy Workshop – Saturday, 2 Feb. Interested in learning where you came from or about your ancestors. Judy Adams and Kerri Scholz will be here to help you research and show how it is done. Maybe learn how and why your relatives came to Canada. Maybe some of your ancestors have a jaded past or were royalty. These and other questions could be answered. Come check it out, you might even learn a thing or two.

Garage Sale - The Legion will be holding a Garage Sale at the beginning of May (exact dates to be determined). If you have items that you would like to contribute, start collecting and we will let you know where and when you can drop them off.

Miscellaneous Information

TGIF Volunteers – Looking for 2 x volunteers to help in the kitchen on Friday, 8 February. Free dinner provided. If interested contact Sylvia at <u>branch254membership@northwestel.net</u> or 335-3385 to get you name in.

Roaster Inserts - A couple of our roaster inserts have gone AWOL. If you borrowed them or know where they are please bring them back or let us know the whereabouts. Makes it hard to use the roasters with out the inserts.

Legion Contact Information

Legion Office & Lounge - 667-2800 (Emergency Contact – Joe Mewett (President) – 336-0896) Office Hours (Monday, Wednesday, Friday) 1000-1300hrs (10am-1pm) Lounge Hours: Check the calendar Lounge closing hours may vary depending on occupancy and/or entertainment/event Email – branch254@northwestel.net or Branch President at joseph.mewett@yahoo.com

Quote for the Week -

"Change doesn't happen overnight. It starts with the desire, then one small step in the right direction." – Paula Deen



This Day in History

On 28 January:

- 1918, John McRae author of the poem "In Flanders Field" dies of pneumonia near Boulogne, France.
- **1920**, No.1 Squadron, Canadian Air Force, is disbanded in England.

 1973, Canadian Forces aircraft airlift 115 Canadian personnel to South Vietnam for peacekeeping duties (27-30 Jan

For more Military History visit the Directorate of History and Heritage website at <u>http://www.cmp-cpm.forces.gc.ca/dhh-dhp/index-eng.asp</u>.



"For those who leave never to return. For those who return but are never the same. WE REMEMBER."

Until next week, LEST WE FORGET

Joseph R. Mewett, CD President Whitehorse Legion