



Branch 256 Stony Plain Alberta



Legion Closed till further notice
no Meat Draw.

Newsletter

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This Week

Branch Closed

Nov Toonie Draw

Ronnie Martineau won
\$100.00



LEST WE FORGET

Executive Meeting

2nd Tuesday of each Month @
7:00pm

General Meetings

3rd Tuesday of each Month at
7:00 pm except for July August
and December.

November General Meeting
Postponed because we are
closed

President- Darren Papish

Past President -Pat Hale

1st Vice- Jim Stover

2nd Vice - Buck Coutts

Secretary- Ed Siteman

Treasurer- Lanny McConnell

Sgt-At-Arms- Curt Budden

Service Officer- Jerry Milne

Pastor- Rev Trevor Swanson MTS

Executive-, Andrew Benkovich, Jerry
Milne and Sherri Milne



Volunteers

Make everything happen!

Thank You!

Thanks to all Our Volunteers

To all our Members

As you can see in the attached minutes there has been some changes on your Executive. I would like to thank the out going members that has helped make my job easier. I would especially like to thank Dixie Jones who has been helping me find jokes etc. Hopoefully you will continue to do so Dixie

Hope to see you all soon.

In the meantime please stay safe.

Public Relations

Jim Stover



From your Membership Chair:

Branch #256, Stony Plain ended 2020 with 537 paid up members.

2020 saw a big influx of Veteran members with the Veterans Welcome Program, Welcome to Branch #256. As the Branch was closed for a good part of 2020 (7 months to be exact), I mailed member cards to many new members. These new members are welcome to come see me when we open again to get their Legion pins as I did not put them in the mail.

I have had many inquiries regarding how to pay your 2021 dues:

1. Go on-line to legion.ca and open an account (you will need your member #), you can then pay your 2021 dues which are still \$50.
 2. Mail a cheque to RCL Branch #256, 4902-44 Ave. Stony Plain, AB T7Z 1V5
 3. There is a mail slot by the entrance door, and you can drop an envelope in there with your payment.
 4. If you do on-line banking you can e-transfer your dues to phale19832003@yahoo.ca
- Any way you choose to pay your dues I will mail you your 2021 sticker, please ensure that your address is up to date so I do not have to receive your sticker back in the mail, hunt you down (lol) and mail it again.

Please also keep in mind that dues for 2021 were due as of Dec. 31st, 2020, Dominion Command honours membership for the month of January after which you will be considered a "member not in good standing" and will have to be signed in by a member when you come to the Branch.

Stay safe all,
Pat


Happy
Valentine's
Day

Hope You all Have a Safe Valentines Day. If you can not be with friends and family hopefully you can all be in contact in some way.



If Help needed contact our service officer

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Service Officer

Cde. Jerry Milne

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The Last Sunday of the Month starting April 29, 2018 @ 1400 hours has been set aside for a gathering of Veterans of the Canadian Armed Forces & RCMP and all those serving on active duty to come together in fellowship and to be introduced to the Legion. Coffee and Donuts will be Served. All Veterans Welcome.

Legion services for Veterans and their families

The Legion provides a range of services and supports for Veterans, their families and dependants. In addition to directly assisting Veterans and their families with the disability claims process through Veterans Affairs Canada (VAC), the Legion offers a variety of programs, resources and referrals to support Veteran health, transition to civilian life, financial assistance and well-being.

At the local Legion Branch, a Veteran or their family can:

- meet with a volunteer Legion Service Officer to help identify unmet health or support needs and review possible benefits through VAC, as well as other supports available
- get assistance with completing the Legion Claims Form and receive a referral to Legion Command Service Officers for individual assistance
- request benevolent financial assistance through the Poppy Fund
- request visits to Veterans in retirement and long-term care facilities
- access Veteran support and care programs as offered through the Branch





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SPECIAL ELECTRONIC EXECUTIVE MEETING

February 5, 2021

Contacted by email – Cdes D. Papish, P. Hale, B. Coutts, D. Mervold, L. McConnell, J. Milne, S. Milne, J. Stover, E. Siteman, K. Martin, A. Benkovich, C. Budden, D. Jones, T. Swanson.

** Due to Covid restrictions, Dominion and Provincial Command has issued a statement banning Branch elections until further notice. Instructions are that the President can appoint individuals to vacant positions, as needed, for an indeterminate period. When a General Meeting of the membership is allowed, these positions will be up for nomination, and the appointed individuals' term will end, or be extended, as indicated by the Membership at that time.

I. **Cde Dixie Jones moves** that the President, Cde Darren Papish, proceed with the following appointments.

^{2nd} by Cde Jim Stover. AIF. **Carried.**

(Email responses, in favor, received from Cdes S. Milne, J. Milne, D. Mervold, A. Benkovich, L. McConnell., E. Siteman, T. Swanson, C. Budden, B Coutts, P. Hale)

The following Executive Members will no longer hold these positions;

- Kim Martin Treasurer
- Dixie Jones Secretary
- Larry Funge Sgt @ Arms

- Duffy Mervold Executive Member
- Audrey Funge Executive Member

The following **appointments**, made by President Darren Papish, are to be effective retroactive to Jan 15, 2021 for an indeterminate term.

- Lanny McConnell Treasurer
- Ed Siteman Secretary
- Curt Budden Sgt @ Arms

The following members have continued, and will continue in their present positions-

- Jim Stover 1st Vice President (term ended Nov 30'20/extended indeterminately)
- Jerry Milne Service Officer (term ended Nov 30'20/extended indeterminately)

- Andrew Benkovich Exec. Member/Poppy (term ended Nov 30'20/extended indeterminately)
- Sherri Milne Exec. Member/ Sports (term ended Nov 30'20/extended indeterminately)
- Pat Hale Past President (continual term)
- Buck Coutts 2nd Vice President (actual term ends Nov 30' 21)

*No formal installation of these officers is allowed at this time due to Covid restrictions.

*This electronic meeting is done in this fashion to provide names for signing authority at the financial institutions.

*Signing authority will be designated by the President in accordance with the Stony Plain Legion #256 Bylaws

14(b).

2. **Cde Buck Coutts moves** that, due the passing of Cde Oscar Moore, his name be removed as the third signing authority on the Nevada Account.

2nd by Cde Dixie Jones. In favor? AIF. **Carried.**

(Email responses, in favor, received from Cdes J. Stover, A. Benkovich, L. McConnell, P. Hale, D. Mervold, E. Siteman, J. Milne)

All current Executive Members have been hereby notified of this information

President, Cde Darren Papish

Secretary, Cde Dixie Jones