

Branch 256 Stony Plain Alberta





What Happened At the Meat Draw

Thank you to Buck Coutts who Conducted the Meat Draw

Thank You to Ruby Coutts who Conducted the 50/50 and Congratulations to Candice Enjensky who had the winning ticket and took home 100.00

\$40.00 Meat Pack- Vi Williams

Toonie Draw -Wendy Ashton who took home \$126.00

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<u>This Week</u>

Tyson Machin

Jim Stover Won \$695.00

Caroline Paradis

Eric Goland Parr-Pearson



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.

General meeting cancelled until further notice as per AHS regulations President- Darren Papish Past President -Pat Hale 1st Vice- Jim Stover 2nd Vice - Buck Coutts Secretary- Sherri Milne Treasurer- Lanny McConnell Sgt-At-Arms- Curt Budden Service Officer- Ed Siteman Pastor- Rev Trevor Swanson MTS Hall Rental- Cindy Jacobs Executive-, Andrew Benkovich



Watch for sign up sheets in lounge for Volunteers. Thanks to all our Volunteers. Sign up sheet for Burger nights and check in table in the Lounge.



To our Members.

Due to State of Emergency being declared Command has stated we can not have a General Meeting this month. We have asked for permission to have a General Meeting and Election in November. They answered that we need to apply again Nov 1 but to go ahead and plan the election. We would have to follow REP program and our District Commander suggested setting a table up on the deck so our non-Vaccinated members could vote in person. We discussed putting up a heater as the weather could be cold. The board for signing up for positions will be up this week in the front hall to sign. As we did not have an election last year and most of the positions are appointed, we will vote for all positions. President, first and second Vice President Treasurer, Secretary, Sgt at Arms plus up to 8 executive members. The New President will appoint service officer. Some positions will only be for a year so if we are allowed to have elections next year we will get back on track.

We will be having the same type of service Nov 11 as last year for our Veterans by invitation only REP program will be in effect.

As usual there will be sign up sheets in the lounge for any help we need coming up. If you have a few spare hours check them out.

Once again thanks to all our volunteers.

Don't forget Oct 29 Poppy campaign kicks off, wear a Poppy.

Jim Stover 1st Vice President Interim President Royal Canadian LEGION

EFFECTIVE MONDAY SEPTEMBER 20th, 2021

The Stony Plain Legion will implement the new Exemption Program as outlined by the Alberta Government. Must show proof of double vaccination (note that for a transitional period between Sept. 20 and Oct. 25, proof of a single dose would be considered acceptable as long as the dose was given two weeks or more before the time of service) Or a proof of a privately paid negative rapid test taken within the previous 72 hrs Or have documentation of a medical exemption. MASKS MAY BE REMOVED WHEN SITTING AT YOUR TABLE.

We would like to thank all who came out to help stuff Grey cup tickets.

If you can help by selling some see Buck for Tickets. What's Happening at Your Legion

-Burger Night Wed 5 to 7 pm

-Meat Draw Sat 3 to 5 pm

-Oct 29 Chili and Bun 5:00 to 7:00 pm, Jam Night to follow

Nov 26 Volunteer Appreciation

-Dec 12 Kids Christmas Party

Volunteers

Burger Night volunteers were Bob Lecompte, Dave Hawryluk, Cal & Brenda McKenzie and Bryan Murphy

Thanks to Pat Hale, Jim Stover, Dawn and Brian Klashinsky and Gord Morrison for checking people in.



If you have a claim, or planning on submitting a claim to "Veteran Affairs", please read this:

- 1. Veterans should ensure that their "Advocate" at VA, are doing their job in representing the Veteran (the same as a civilian lawyer would);
- 2. Make sure you see and read any Statement of Case or Statements presented on your behalf in writing (in most cases, there is nothing in writing);
- 3. Make sure you have been briefed and given a copy of all information that is passed on to the Pension System, prior to the hearing date;
- Always ask for a copy of your audio transcript, so you can go over what your Advocate has said in your behalf (they will most likely tell you to go through the Privacy Act);
- 5. Take note that most first claims are denied (this a discouragement tactic);
- It is <u>very</u> important, that you do not relinquish or give all of your evidence over, after your first hearing (you can't use your evidence twice);
- When you seek an appeal after your first denial, you must show new evidence for the appeal (by refusing your first claim, VA will most certainly suppress your original evidence);
- Ask to see what research has been done by your Advocate on your behalf (don't be surprised if there is none, they do not conduct themselves like a Lawyer would);
- 9. As has been seen in the past, most VA Advocates, do not give copies of anything to you, until after the fact (demand it);
- 10. If you don't feel like you were represented in a Professional Manner, go back to your Advocate and demand, any and all paperwork, presented on your behalf;
- 11. If you seriously feel that you were not fairly and professionally treated, it is recommended that you contact the Minister of Veteran Affairs, or the current Veteran Ombudsman, and ask why

Edward Siteman CD2

Service Officer, RCL Branch 256



Proceeds from 50/50 to Poppy Fund

Just Pondering

If it's zero degrees outside today and it's supposed to be twice as cold tomorrow, how cold is it going to be?

I asked my dog what's two minus two. He said nothing."

Service Officer Edward Siteman





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Support for Veterans and Family's

The Legion provides a range of service and supports for Veterans, their families and dependents. In addition to directly assisting Veterans and their Families wirh the disability 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.

Gathering Of Veterans

The Last Sunday of the Month Starting @ 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

At The Local Legion Branch, a Veteran or 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 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

