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March Newsletter

Branch 616 continues to enjoy busy days and evenings, supporting events and sports amidst the ongoing improvements. Membership continues to thrive with a total roster of 225, up from 217 in 2024 with 30 members yet to sign up for 2025. Sports is keeping the Chairs and organizers busy. Thank you to Branch Sports Officer Brie Gilmore and Ladies Auxiliary Sports Officer Harriet Farrell for managing these portfolios.

And of course there's Jim Wilson, Branch Membership Chair and Deputy Zone Commander, organizer of our casual card games and trivia nights. Thank you to everyone who keeps the wheels turning!

The new breakfast program is a hit! Every one so far has been very well attended and we have had excellent feedback! Thank you to the Auxiliary for this success! They have invested in a commercial toaster which is a great asset in keeping the breakfast lineup moving. Looking good Ladies! Keep it up!

'Meals to Wheels' is also in full swing with the Branch and LA taking turns in the kitchen. Each production has had overwhelming results. And of course multiple members have dual membership so there is no shortage of volunteers.



March Branch Meetings: Our Executive Meeting followed by the General Meeting will be held on Monday March 24th instead of the scheduled day of March 17th to accommodate the St. Patrick's Day Party. Executive is at 6:30 pm, General at 7:30 pm.

Past Events

Friday February 14, Meals to Wheels Valentines Dinner Special: Beef Wellington was the special and Vic Jannack was the chef! Vic and the Crew got over 130 meals out the door in less than an hour! Nothing but accolades for this delicious treat; thank you to all volunteers and patrons! (pics on page 3)



Newsletter by Arleen Morrow
& Marilyn Deslauriers

Sunday February 16, Old Sled Run: Another terrific event for the Branch and Public! Thank you to our local celebrities Eli El Chantiry, Karen McCrimmon, and Clarke Kelly for coming out to give us a hand

with the breakfast buffet. Thank you to all the runners, the volunteers in the kitchen, and to organizers Mike O'Reilly, Murray Gordon and Daphne Porter for another successful run. (pics page 4)

Saturday February 22, Trivia Challenge: Another fun night organized by Jim! This session was taken by Ron Strathern in 1st, Arleen Morrow 2nd and Carol Taylor in 3rd. Stand by for the next one! (pic on page 3)

Friday February 28, Meals to Wheels TGIF Dinner: California Roast with Garlic Potatoes, Green Beans, and a generous slice of Carrot Cake - and again, over 100 meals done! Thanks to the usual suspects, especially the ones outside in the cold delivering these delicious orders to the lineup.



Coming Up:

Friday March 14, Meals to Wheels TGIF Dinner; Menu TBA

Monday March 17, St Patricks Party! 4:00 pm; Get on down to the Branch and get your Irish up !! Stew, music by Wilson/Strong & Davis, door prize ,, \$12.00 incl. Go Green for the Day ... Everyone Welcome!!

Friday March 28, Meals to Wheels TGIF Dinner: Menu TBA

Saturday April 6: Bunny Shoot! Watch for posters & FB post.

Friday April 18: Annual Triathlon: Details to follow

Sunday April 20: Children's Easter Party: Lunch, crafts, cupcakes, Eater Bunny! Every Kid Welcome!

Don't Forget:

Next L.A. Meeting – Monday April 7, 7:00 pm

Next Branch Meeting – Monday March 24, Executive 6:30 pm ; General 7:30 pm.

Hall Rental: We have an 80 to 100 capacity space to rent - please call the Branch for info **613-832-2082**

Standing Dates:

Monday: Every 1st Monday: Ladies Auxiliary Meeting 7:00 pm.

Every 3rd Monday: Branch Executive Meeting 6:30 pm.

Every 3rd Monday of June*, September, November, January, March, May: Branch General Meeting 7:30 pm *The Legion fiscal year starts on June 1; July & August general meetings are suspended

Every 2nd & 4th Monday: Ladies darts Singles, blind draw 7:00 pm.

Tuesday: Ladies' Darts 7:00 pm.

Every 2nd Tuesday: Seniors Potluck & Meeting 12:00 noon

Wednesday: Youth Darts, 7:00 pm

Thursday: Men's Darts 7:00 pm.

Friday: Mixed Darts 7:00 pm.

Every 2nd Friday: Meals to Wheels TGIF Dinner 5:30 p.m., \$20.00

Canada Day: every July 1st

Legion Week: 3rd Sunday in September to following Saturday

Branch Remembrance Day: Saturday prior to November 11

New Year's Day Levee: every January 1st

St. Patrick's Day Celebration: Every March 17

Children's Easter Party: every Easter Sunday

RED FRIDAYS - Please show your support for our troops and their families and to the families of the 158 soldiers killed in Afghanistan.





"Old Sled Run"



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16	17 St.Pat's Party 4 pm 	18 Ladies Darts 7pm	19 Youth Darts	20 Men's Darts 7pm	21 Mixed Darts 7pm	22
23 Booked	24 Exec Meeting 6:30pm GeneralMtg 7:30 pm	25 Ladies Darts 7pm	26 Youth Darts	27 Men's Darts 7pm	28 Meals to Wheels Mixed Darts 7pm	29
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