



# CONTACT!

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## President's Report

The District Convention was held on April 12 and 13. Dan and Lorraine represented the Branch, as I had family commitments that weekend.

The 90th Anniversary celebration of the RCAF, held at the Branch, was a great hit with approximately 60 in attendance. Aside from older veterans, there were 20 serving Military members in uniform. Terry Jenkins organized the event and did a fantastic job! See photos on p. 3.

The Perogy Night was also a great success with approximately 70 in attendance. Thanks to Gene Szabo for helping me cook; table and chair setting Bob and John Thomson; set-up by Brenda Grant and Yvette Clark; servers Olivia, Jasmine, Sophia and Connor; Pat Cher for organizing the desserts and silent auction; bar staff Moira Green, Mark Hunter and Jane Cane for doing the hardest job... clean-up.

The Annual Veterans' Lunch on April 15 had an attendance of 110. Thanks to our Veterans' Service Officer, Peter Wilkins, for organizing the day. Thanks to Moira Green for the entertainment and to all who help with set-up and clean-up. See page 3.

Thank-you to all who donated items for our Perogy Night Silent Auction. The auction raised over \$600. Some people donated anonymously, and we were not able to

thank them personally. All items were appreciated and they added to the fun and success of the evening.

The Ways and Means, Fashion Show and High Tea is looking for a few more teacups. If you have any to donate, please contact Pat Cher at [patricia.cher@sympatico.ca](mailto:patricia.cher@sympatico.ca) or 613-831-0298.

Thank-you to Ruth Kasper for donating 15 afghans. Our Veterans' Service Officer ensured that they were donated to veterans at the Perley, and two were used at the silent auction.

Branch elections were held Wednesday evening and the following were elected or acclaimed:

President	John Cher
1st Vice	Dan Knighton
2nd Vice	Moira Green
3rd Vice	Gord McCaskill
Treasurer	Gene Szabo
Secretary	Lorraine Lapensée
Executive	Brenda Grant, Mark Hunter, Sue McLean, Bruce Judge, Bill Wilson, George Pollock
Sgt at Arms	Bob Thomson

Thank-you to all who attended and voted and to the members who ran for office. Congratulations to the new executive.

John Cher  
President

# Kanata Branch 638 Executive Committee 2014-2015



Photo by Terry Jenkins

L-R Front row: John Cher (President), Dan Knighton (1<sup>st</sup> VP), Moira Green (2<sup>nd</sup> VP), Gord McCaskill (3<sup>rd</sup> VP)  
Bob Thomson (Sgt-at-Arms).

L-R Back Row: Lorraine Lapensée (Secretary), (Executive Members): George Pollock, Brenda Grant, Bill Wilson,  
Bruce Judge, Mark Hunter, Sue McLean, and Gene Szabo (Treasurer).

## From the Second Vice President

Your Committee for the 25 Charter Anniversary event has had its first meeting, and plans are now underway for a special evening.

Kindly mark SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2014, on your calendar. More information will be forthcoming as plans are put in place. If you have any positive suggestions or memorabilia to offer please call or email. Stay tuned.

Yours in service,  
Moira

## Annual Veterans' Lunch

Peter Wilkins is en route to Korea, so I am writing this on his behalf.



On April 15, veterans from Br. 638 Kanata, local residences and the Rideau Perley Veterans Centre enjoyed a delicious lunch catered by Dennis and the Leatherworks Staff. Thanks to The Highland Mist Pipe Band for their piping in and subsequent tunes. Thanks to Sobey's March Road for donating a special cake for the occasion. Thanks to Moira for registration and entertainment. Over 100 were in attendance and a great time was enjoyed by all. Our cake was cut by a 97 year young veteran from the RPVC and we were treated to Love Me Tender sung by another RVPC veteran. Thank you, Peter, and all those too many to name who assisted in making this a truly special occasion.

Till we meet again.  
Yours in service,  
Moira



## RCAF 90<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

By Terry Jenkins



Piper  
Bob Tracy  
piped in the  
anniversary  
cake.



Cake cutting by Wally Kaspar, one of the oldest members of the branch, and Cpl Mason Williams, the youngest serving member at the branch.



Cmdr Ivan Hawley and his wife Kathleen



Invited guest Lt Col Franklin of the Electronic Warfare Unit in Kanata



## THIS MONTH'S DONATIONS

Both our gaming operations did very well in March. As more than 40% of our bingo revenue and more than 95% of our revenues from 50/50 draws go back into the community, we will donate \$1250 this month, in equal shares to the following:

- Crysalis House
- National Service Dogs
- Hospice Care Ottawa
- The Elizabeth Bruyère Foundation
- The Canadian Red Cross Society (Eastern Ontario Division)

Crysalis House is a Kanata shelter for abused women and their children.

National Service Dogs supply specially trained companion dogs to veterans suffering from post-traumatic stress disorder. One of our own members has recently received a dog from this organization. Unfortunately, we were not permitted to make a \$3000 donation from the Poppy Trust Fund, so we will have to make regular smaller donations.

Hospice Care Ottawa is an amalgam of such facilities throughout Ottawa.

The Canadian Red Cross operates an anti-bullying initiative in schools. It is the result of the initiative of our member and City Councillor Allan Hubley - a man who makes a contribution wherever he turns his hand.

Finally, I welcome George Royle to the General Trust Fund Committee. No member of this branch was willing to spend an hour and a half in a very pleasant breakfast meeting each month helping funnel donations to worthy causes in the community. (In response to my call for help in a previous newsletter, I asked George, who is currently a member of another branch, to help us and he immediately agreed.) Thanks, George. It's a treat to find someone who cares about the less fortunate, the elderly and our youth.

Submitted by  
Harry Needham

## YE OLDE KIT SHOP

Stock reduction sale.

WE SUPPORT OUR TROOPS  
RED TEE SHIRTS - GOLF SHIRTS - SWEAT SHIRTS  
LIMITED STOCK ON SIZES

TEE SHIRTS \$13.00-includes taxes  
(Legion Supply \$15.95 + \$2.07 = \$18.02)  
Sizes available XXL-2, XL-3, L-3, M-3, S-2

GOLF SHIRTS \$21.00-includes taxes  
(Legion Supply \$25.95+\$3.38=\$29.32)  
Sizes available XXL-1, XL-3, L-2, M -2, S-2

SWEAT SHIRTS \$25.00-includes taxes  
(Legion Supply \$29.95+\$3.89=\$33.84)  
Sizes available XXL-4, XL-3, L-5, M -2, S-1

GOLF SHIRT BLUE (special order)  
w/branch 638 monogram  
\$30.00-includes taxes  
Sizes available XXL- 2, L- 8, M-6

If you wish to make a purchase, please contact  
Treasurer George Pollock at 613-836-2530.

## From the Ways & Means Committee



### *Fashion Show & High Tea* *Saturday, May 10, 2014*

*Fundraiser in support of the Kanata legion*  
*Doors open 12:00 noon / Fashion Show & High Tea 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.*

*Featuring **Fashions by: Jockey Person 2 Person***  
***Jewellery by: Jewellery Collectibles by Diane***  
***Sandra Sara Designs by Sandra Goldsmith***

*Prizes \* Assortment of Teas, Sandwiches, Fruit, Cheese, Dessert*

***Tickets in advance only by Tuesday, May 6, 2014***

***\$15.00/person or \$25.00 for two / \$5.00 12 yrs. and under***

***A fun way for women to spend time together the day before Mother's Day, and men, too!***  
***Mothers and daughters, sisters, friends, cousins, husbands!***  
***Everyone is welcome to come out to enjoy and support the Kanata legion!***

***For further information contact: 613-591-5570 or 613-240-9855***

***Kanata Legion, 70 Hines Road, Kanata, Ontario***

***Directions: March Rd. North from the HWY. 417;***

***left at Solandt Road (Esso Station on the corner);***

***as Solandt Road curves to the right, it becomes Hines Road;***

***two to three blocks down, right hand side.***

## Recap of Coming Events

- Sat., April 26, Swing into Spring, L.A. annual fundraiser
- Sun., Apr. 27, 2:00 - 4:00 p.m., Birthday & Anniversary Celebration
- Sun., May 4, L.A. annual Zone G6 Convention, hosted by Kanata legion
- Sat., May 10, Fashion Show and High Tea
- Wed., May 21, 7:30 p.m., Legion General Meeting
- Fri., May 23, 9:45 - 11:00 a.m., Seniors' Program (see below)
- Sat., Sept. 13, 25 Charter Anniversary

COFFEE WEDNESDAYS  
KANATA BR 638  
9 AM TO 11 AM



COFFEE  
AND  
SNACKS

Come for a few minutes or for longer. Enjoy the warmth and fine company! Bring a friend or two or more.

## Pizza Night

Last Friday of the Month  
Award Winning Pizza  
from **Papa Sam**



\$3.50 a slice  
Starts at 6:00 pm  
Musical entertainment 7:30 to 8:30

Please sign up to allow for set up  
and for the size of the initial order.

Seniors program presents...

Free Presentation on Guaranteed  
Accumulation and Payout Strategies

9:45 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

Free refreshments

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