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■ COLBORNE LEGION LINES

Branch 187 hosts 120 cribbage players

The monthly Roast Beef Dinner Friday, March 1 features, of course, our roasted beef, mashed potatoes with gravy, California mix, soup, rolls and bread pudding for dessert. Just \$10 per person, serving 5 to 6:30 p.m.

The March bid euchre tournament will be held Sunday, March 3. Register (\$5 per player) by noon for an afternoon of play. Great prizes to be won! A home-made, delicious lunch is available for just \$2.

We want to be the sharpest knives in the drawer! Foodland has a promotion on: for every \$10 spent, you receive a sticker. Collect stickers and redeem them for assorted sizes of professional kitchen knives. Well, the Colborne Legion would greatly appreciate your donation of those stickers to replenish and/or augment our food prep knives. Please leave them with the bar steward in the clubroom or bring them to our twice-monthly dinners and turn them in at the door. The offer runs through to April 25. We thank everyone in advance for your very welcome donation of the promo stickers!

Here's the luck of the Irish for you! Friday, March 15 it's our St. Patrick's Day dinner themed for St. Patrick's Day celebrations everywhere. For just \$10 a person, enjoy a rainbow of offerings: corned beef, soup, boiled potatoes, rolls, fried cabbage, carrots and green salad with poke cake for dessert served up from 5 to 6:30 p.m. It's a desperate good deal!

Get off the couch! It's Loafer Fest, Sat, March 23, 7 p.m. to 1 a.m.! Time to get the summer party spirit primed! Join us for good food, fun and times. It's a party at the Colborne Legion with live music and karaoke. Tickets are \$5, available at the door or Tim's Auto Body in Colborne's Industrial Park. Rock it!

They came, they played, they scored and we loved it! Colborne Legion hosted 120 people (30 teams) of cribbage players Sunday, Feb. 17 for the Legion District Cribbage Tournament. Because, in 2012, our cribbage team of Dennis Stralak, Marj Barlow, Sandy Boland and Gerry Ivanski won the District cribbage tournament, Colborne was host in 2013. Thanks to everyone who came out, including cheerleaders. It was a great day of play, food, fun and friendship at Colborne Br. 187.

Gift yourself and the Colborne Legion! It can be done by taking a new approach to your everyday purchases. Buy pre-paid gift cards for a whole host of name retailers. They never expire and you get the full value for the amount you buy. The retailer, in turn, pays a percentage (from 2% to 10%) of the value to the Legion. The orders for the gift

cards go in monthly. Next deadline date for ordering is 5 p.m. March 2. Among the many retailers included are Canadian Tire (including gas), No Frills (including gas), Your Independent Grocer, Metro, Ultramar, Staples, Winners, Giant Tiger and so on. Drop by the Colborne Legion for an order form. Make a cheque out to RCL Branch 187. Or, go online at www.fundscrip.com.

We're experimenting with making monthly membership meetings more accessible for attendance. To that end, this month's monthly membership meeting will be at 1 p.m. Sunday, March 17. Mark your calendars: 1 p.m. the third Sunday of every month! Be there to have your say!

Remember! You are only a stranger once at Colborne Legion Branch 187! We're located at 92 King St. East. Mandy Martin Br. 187 Public Relations and Communications

■ IN MEMORIAM

Rutherford served Colborne as politician, volunteer

COLBORNE — The flag at Town Hall in Colborne's Town Hall was lowered to half-staff Feb. 21 in honour of Walter Rutherford, who died Feb. 20 at the age of 81.

The longest-serving reeve of the Village of Colborne (with 14 years of service in that post), Walter Malcolm Rutherford was a lifelong part of the life of the community.

His rural background was a defining part of Rutherford. He grew up on the family farm, and would go on to work for the Ministry of Agriculture in Bowmanville. Later, he and wife Dorothy would live at the experimental farm at Smithfield, east of Brighton, after which he returned to run the family farm just east of Colborne.

Rutherford enjoyed his time

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helping at the Rutherford Roadside Market on County Road 2, both behind the scenes and in the market, spotting any gaps that existed and filling them smoothly.

At Colborne United Church, he will be remembered both as a parishioner who attended regularly and as a steward who took an active part in the church's day-to-day operations right up to the time of his death (including an active role in the recent amalgamation of three churches in the local pas-

toral charge.

A press release issued by Cramahe Township Mayor Marc Coombs noted that, after his retirement from politics, Rutherford continued to keep busy with a variety of volunteer activities to benefit his less fortunate neighbours.

After politics he continued to be active in the community and with volunteer activities benefiting those less fortunate among us.

“He certainly always gave back to the community and I'll certainly miss him, as will many,” Coombs said.

Rutherford is survived by his wife, son David and daughter Carol Vandervoort, and sister Joan Davis, as well as granddaughters Terri-Anne Jones and Holly White and four great-grandchildren.