

Important night ahead for Legion

By ROMA TIMPSON

A big, big evening this Saturday. Comrades. New members being initiated and long service buttons to be given out. The burning of the mortgage is an important part of the evening. Also members can bring guests, it is hoped they will bring prospective members. This is a well attended evening and not open to outsiders unless they are accompanied by a member.

The initiation team has been out the past two weekends, getting its act in shape. They are something to see. The whole initiation is something to see actually. This isn't just any ordinary club we belong to and that these new members are joining. This is a unique organization. The purpose is to get together an association of those who have served in either the Army, Navy or Air Force or Auxiliary force or service.

Your Legion stands for loyalty to the reigning Sovereign and to Canada. The Legion also stands for strong and united comradeship among all those who have served, that neither their rights nor their interests shall be forgotten. While striving for peace, good will and friendship among all nations, we advocate the maintenance in and by Canada

of adequate defence, on land, on sea and in the air.

Before you become a member, the emblems of the Legion will be explained to you. These are our national flag, the poppy, the torch and our badge. When you become a member of this 'unique organization' it offers you, comradeship and asks in return from the members, service, not for self but for those of our Comrades or their dependents who are in need or distress. It further asks that you be ever zealous in any work which will make our Country and our Commonwealth more truly representative of the ideals for which our comrades laid down their lives.

There is more to the initiation than that, but it gives you, and your guests a little insight into the ceremonies on Saturday and may help to renew for a lot of us who have forgotten, how impressive and meaningful the ceremonies are. There are over 500 members who have taken the oath over the past years and we welcome all new members, who will take this same oath on Saturday and the years to follow.

To make the 'little black box' climb at a faster rate, it was decided at the meeting Thursday to raise the amount to 25

cents instead of the usual dime. All paid up members have their name in the drum. For the new members, this black box is near the cigarette machine. There is a sheet to put your name on. Deposit your quarter, write down your name. This is a daily draw and the name is pulled from the drum each evening at 6.30. The list is checked and if you have been in and signed in and your name is

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drawn, you will get a percentage of the amount in the little black box. This is to begin after a winner has been drawn at the present 10 cent rate. Remember, it's from 6.30 p.m. one day until 6.30 p.m. the following day, to sign in.

Where are you spending New Year's Eve members? I hope it will be with friends at your Legion. The tickets are \$20.00 per couple. There will be novelties and hats as in the past. There will be our usual plentiful buffet. There will be dancing to the A1 Gordon Band.

At present there will be one ticket per family until December 17th at which time the remaining tickets will go on sale to members' guests. Please sign for your ticket at the bar.

There are only 90 tickets being sold, so step right up and get your ticket as soon as possible. Most of your friends will be there so that guarantees a good evening. New members to our Branch will enjoy our annual dance so don't be backward in coming forward. Get your ticket and join in the festivities.

There were 45 members out to the branch general meeting last Thursday. Quite a lengthy discussion took place regarding whether we could eat in the new lounge or not and the answer came up 'No'. It looks like, if we are in the lounge and want something to eat, we must go around to the club-room, make our purchase, stay in the club-room until we are finished, then go back into the lounge. Personally I liked the 'use your common sense' idea best and feel this will be brought up at the January meeting.

Jimmy Murphy has gone to Milton Manor as of last Thursday. Jim is going to feel a little at loose ends until he gets used to his new surroundings,

so I would ask you to please slip out on your day off or on the weekend to visit him. A note would also help to brighten his day.

Charlie Parlon went to his daughter's home in Milton and I understand he has come back to Georgetown Hospital as he is not feeling up to par just yet. Please make an effort to visit our hospitalized members. Put yourself in their place. Wouldn't you like a visitor? Joe Emmerson, Tom Clarke Sr., George Chapala and Jimmy Layton are still in hospital.

I like to see old people happy and 'old Jake' is certainly happy this past week with the number of members that have paid their 1974 dues and those that are 1975 early birds. Now, by the time you read this, we will have 27 days left in which to be an early bird, and to get in on the 'special' day that 'old Jake' is planning. I'd like to see 100 percent paid up by December 31st, but would settle for 95 percent. Come on members, let's put 'good old Jake' to work.

Our auxiliary dart teams went to Bramalea last Saturday and did themselves proud by coming first and second out of 25 teams. Georgetown 'B' with Jean Reid, Dot Lusty, Lottie Bottoms and Gretta Stoddart

were first. Georgetown 'C' team with Dot Day, Joyce Markham, Marg Hedley and Sarah Richard were second. Third place had not been declared as our darters boarded the bus for home. If I find out in time who they are I will let you know. Nice going gals and we hope you do as well when you go to Port Credit this Saturday. Bus leaves legion at 10.00 a.m. Good luck to you all.

Hazel and I still have about 35 books left of 50-50 draw tickets. Hazel would like to distribute all of these before meeting night. Remember, the more tickets sold means more money to split. You could be the lucky winner and your sports fund will also benefit from the draw. There are a lot of you who haven't got your tickets yet. Call Hazel or I and we will see you get them.

Still on the subject of tickets. Have you sold your two books of Christmas tree tickets sent to you by Gord King and His Merry-men? Have you taken the stubs and money to Gord or the Bar Stewards? Do you need more tickets? Get in touch with Gordie or the Bar Stewards. Remember...a week this Thursday is the night Santa comes a visiting our 10 year olds and younger. Are their names on Santa's list?



MRS. MARY MORROW, 95, and her son Roy Wiggins 72, both are members of the Georgetown Senior Citizens Club and both attended the Christmas dinner held by the Rotary Club of Georgetown. Transportation for the 176 guests was provided by the Radical Car Club. President Murray Thom (back centre) took a brief moment from supper to welcome Mrs. Morrow and her son to the dinner. Entertainment was provided by a senior citizens band from Milton. Ralph Urse provided background organ music on an organ donated by Paul Barber. Brenda McNeil was also on hand to entertain.

High School Insights

The slump is here

By Tom Bushey

There are less than 30 days of classes left this semester!

The countdown has begun at last, in most classes. The countdown usually begins as the completion of subjects draws near. Because of semesterizing the countdown now comes twice a year. This is due to the change in subjects between semesters. The countdown usually begins as the mid-semester slump gets well under way.

This slump is characteristic

of most schools since the students are very used to the pattern of the daily routine. The students and teachers are both becoming so used to the same people in the same classes every day that it seems as though everyone knows what would happen during their classes. The only things that the students don't know are the contents of each class during the day.

For those who have lunches or spares the euchre teams seem to be well established from the beginning of the year. Almost everyone will be looking forward to the change in teams which will almost undoubtedly take place because of the change in subjects next semester.

But some peoples' lunch periods will change next semester so that it seems that everyone they know will have their lunch at a different time. This might be hard on some people but most will find someone in their lunch period that they know when the new semester begins.

Also with the number of days getting fewer, come the projects. These projects always seem to come near the Christmas holidays. They either have to be completed before the holidays or just after them.

Some of these projects were assigned in September but the teachers are reminding the "few" students who seem to leave their major projects almost to the last minute.

Sometimes these last minute projects have the best results. This is because the students who write them are in a great rush and when writing their thoughts onto paper they seem to fit together in a smooth a logical pattern.

However, the teachers still seem to be able to pick out the last minute efforts. Sometimes you may think that they can read minds, as well as read between the lines!

The snow is flying once again as December gets underway! The main attitude of students to the increased snow activity is that they wish that there would be much more fall. The snow seems to bring an added enthusiasm within the school but sometimes it seems to add to the mid-semester slump.

Perhaps it is the lifeless environment which the snow creates that causes this slump. European handball games and basketball games are among the many sports that are taking shape in the December weather. These sports should be very enjoyable for all those who participate and those who just watch. Last Friday the boy's basketball team played Guelph Collegiate and lost with a score of 88 to 59. Mark Riels of GDHS had 29 points, the highest score from either team.

Tomorrow is a home game for the boys as they play Jarvis Collegiate from Toronto. This game should be a very exciting game since Jarvis has a great team. Make it a point to attend!

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