

# 24 What's Cookin': Get ready to picnic!

As we celebrate the first day of spring this week, I'm delighted to say that we've already had our first outdoor dinner—on March 19! Very weird, but I'm not complaining.

It looks like we could potentially have a long season of outdoor eating this year! So, while it's still early in the season, clean out the BBQ— that means the grills (if you have a self-clean oven, you can leave the grills in the oven and put the self clean on). For the rest of us, we'll have to use some elbow grease. Replace the bricks in the bottom, clean out the tubes where the gas flows (spiders like to live in there) and generally get things ready to go for the season.

In the spirit of outdoor eating, go find that picnic basket that has been gathering cobwebs in your basement and get it upstairs and cleaned up. You are much more likely to have a spur of the moment picnic if you have all the gear ready to go. So, put a picnic blanket

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and a plastic tablecloth in the trunk of your car.

Then, find some expendable cutlery, plates, paper towels, glasses and put them in your basket or box or whatever you are using. Get it filled with all the hardware and ready to go. Now, you can fill it quickly and dash out for a meal— even on a weeknight.

What can you put in the basket to eat? Leftovers, sandwiches, thermos of soup, hard boiled eggs, container of salad with another container of dressing, veggies and dip, potato salad (one of our favourites), fruit, yogurt, just about anything you would eat indoors, you can eat outdoors.

Why? Because when you take the time to get out and enjoy a bit of fresh air and nature

without the phone ringing, the laundry calling, the doorbell going, it's just you, your family, the food and maybe a game of Scrabble, you'll understand why once you get there. Happy picnicking!

Have fun and keep cooking! Email comments and questions to Lori and Gerry at [whatscooking@theifp.ca](mailto:whatscooking@theifp.ca)



## Teriyaki Plum Wings

Serves 2-3

### Ingredients

- 2 lbs chicken wings, split
- 1 cup flour
- 2 tsp paprika
- 1 tsp salt
- 1 tsp pepper
- 1 tsp garlic salt
- 1 tsp dried thyme
- 1/4 cup vegetable shortening
- 1/4 cup butter
- 1/2 cup plum sauce
- 1/3 cup teriyaki sauce

### Method

1. Mix flour and spices together. Dredge chicken pieces in flour and place on a parchment-lined baking sheet.
2. Melt butter and shortening. Drizzle over each piece of chicken.
3. Bake in preheated 375 F degree oven for 30 minutes. Turn wings to other side and bake for 15 more minutes.
4. Warm the plum sauce and teriyaki sauce to blend.
5. Once wings are cooked, either serve as they are, with sauce on the side, or toss the wings in the sauce to coat and return to the oven for 5 more minutes, then serve.



Acton Legion member Wes Kutasienski (left) was thrilled to receive a Lifetime membership at a recent meeting from District B Commander Dave Smith, Acton Legion President George DeRabbie, Ontario Command Vice President Sharon McKeown, and Zone B7 Commander Jack Porter.

## Wes gets Life at the Acton Legion

By SHARONA A. GRAHAM  
*Acton Legion news*

Last Sunday was our initiation and awards. It was so nice to see we had 10 new members join plus some very special awards. A very special thank you goes out to Karen Hughes, our membership chair, from all of the executive. The day was filled with lots of special guests.

Our new members are James DeRabbie, Krista Glass, Nicholas Dodd, Trevor John Andrews, Darren Michael Lane, Lewis R. Andrews, Jerome Lane, Cindy Sketcher, Jennifer Gies and Johanne Thibault. Welcome to the branch.

Other awards given were commemorative. The Legion has produced a new pin recognizing that women have served in the military for 70 years. Two pins were given to deceased veterans who were members of our branch: Gloria Dunn and Renee Watson. The pins were received by Gloria's daughters Gail McDowell and Pat Drexler, and

Renee Watson's was received by her daughter Mary Watson.

Dell Hickling received four wreaths with ribbons as he will be traveling to Vimy Ridge to lay family wreaths and a wreath on behalf of our branch. A cheque was also presented to help him with expenses. Have a safe trip.

A very special award of life membership went to (Wes) John W. L. Kutasienski. The award was given by the President George DeRabbie with the help of Ontario Command Vice President Sharon McKeown, District B Commander Dave Smith and Zone B7 Commander Jack Porter. I can tell you he was more than surprised and very grateful for this award.

Last Friday evening at the branch we were entertained by Ronnie and the Corvairs. It was a nice evening. Saturday was a busy day at the branch with the sun and warmth. The patio was just full. Members said how nice it was to have time to sit by the lake. Even the horseshoe pits were full of players.



New Acton Legion members are (in back), James DeRabbie, Jerome Lane, Trevor John Andrews, Darren Lane, Nicholas Dodd, and Lewis Andrews. In front, from left, Karen Hughes, Jennifer Gies, Johanne Thibault, Krista Glass, and Cindy Sketcher.

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