

# LEGION NEWS



By: Sharon Graham P.R.O. ~ Branch 197

The winner of the 'Wear Red on Friday' was Dave Maloney.

Thank you to Dave Maloney, Dave McLean, Cathy Munday and Peggy Graham for a very nice rib dinner, everyone really enjoyed it very much.

Thank you to everyone who came out for decoration day and Keith for getting all of the flowers. At least the rain held off long enough to do all of the planting.

Looks like the nice weather is here. It is nice to see so many out on the patio enjoying the weather.

Horseshoes have started. If you would like to come out on a Tuesday or Thursday evening all are welcome.

June 17 is the last dinner for the season. The dinner is half chicken, baked potato

and salad. Tickets are on sale now at the bar. Deadline for the tickets is June 14, so get your tickets early.

Tickets are on sale now for our steak dinner on July 9.

You will want to get your tickets early, the deadline is on July 5. After the dinner we have entertainment with Brett Baker at 7 p.m.

August 21 is our second show and Shine at 1 p.m. and will go to 4 p.m. If you know anyone that has a car, please let them know they are welcome to put their car in the show.

It is open to everyone so come out and enjoy the afternoon. There will be hot dogs, hamburgers and sausage. Hope to see you all there.

The more volunteers we get the less work. Next general meeting will be on

June 13 at 8 p.m. sharp. Check the boards behind the bar for upcoming events. We invite people to join our Legion. If you are 18 you are eligible to join. Pick up an application at bar or at legion.ca under membership section.

Please do not forget to wear red on Fridays. It is very important and we need to support our troops. In June if you wear red on Fridays you will put your name in for a draw and have a chance to win a prize. We really need to let our troops know that we care and yes support them all over.

Members, your membership chair needs to know if you are moving or have changed your phone number. If you have and you have not let them know, can you please come into the bar and give them either your new number or address. Also some members have not paid up your 2016 dues. You can do this at the bar as soon as possible.



**DECORATION DAY:** The Acton Legion held their annual Decoration Day last Sunday at the Fairview Cemetery. Mathew Mowat, Peggy Harris, Amber Andrews, and Keith Andrews were among those who helped to plant almost 400 geraniums to honour veterans for their service. - Les Schmidt photo

## HILLSVIEW REPORT

By: Julie Conroy

41 people including Willie the Tyler bus driver and his wife enjoyed the evening at the races. There were a few smiling faces, so I hope that means they won some money.

On June 14, the Tuesday afternoon movie will be 'Bridge of Spies'. Show time is at 1 p.m.

To help us celebrate Seniors Month on Friday, June 17 you will be able to try your hand at either Pickle Ball or chair volley ball at 10 a.m. At noon we will be serving a special lunch of "Sliders" plus a variety of salads made by board members followed by "gourmet cupcakes". Last year everyone raved about the cupcakes. You must purchase your lunch ticket at the reception desk before Wednesday, June

15 at noon. Of course, we will still have our weekly Friday Bingo starting at 1:15 p.m.

The Social diner on Monday, June 20 will have a Western theme. In keeping with the theme, we will enjoy ribs and roasted vegetables Michael Kelly Cavan will be providing the entertainment that evening. The cut-off date for tickets will be Thursday, June 16 at 4 p.m.

Quite a few members from Hillsview Active Living Centre, Acton participated in the O.S.G.A. games. Joyce and Tony Marrow won a gold medal playing darts and Frances Hogenbirk and Walter Golden came in fourth. Maureen Harvey won a silver medal in

pole walking. Maureen Harvey, Patricia Yeatman and I played gold at Granite Ridge last Tuesday and I won a second in my division. We were participating in the Halton Division.

Frances told me that on Thursday afternoon while playing Bid Euchre she had two mooners and Cheryl Savage had one.

Wednesday, June 15 at 7 p.m. is the next meeting for the Book Club. The book chosen for discussion is 'Life after Life' by Kate Atkinson

Lunch on Friday, June 16 will be our picnic day and will feature sliders, salads and gourmet cupcakes.

There was no 50/50 winner this Friday so next Friday the amount to be won should be around \$360. Well worth stopping by and dripping your loonie in the box.

## Progress made on planning for a new Halton Courthouse

In letters sent last week to Wellington-Halton Hills MPP Ted Arnott, as well as other local courthouse advocates, Attorney General Madeleine Meilleur announced that Infrastructure Ontario will soon be releasing a Request for Proposals (RFP) for a functional programming consultant to begin planning for a new Halton courthouse.

According to the letters, "...this work will involve a series of consultations to review existing business processes and explore opportunities for innovations that would help enhance access to justice in Halton Region. The results of this work will inform further

planning, such as project design and scope."

The RFP is expected to be released in early June.

"I'm hopeful. This appears to be a positive step forward," Mr. Arnott said. "While this isn't the final approval that we've been seeking for a new courthouse, it appears to be progress towards that goal."

The letter is dated May 31, the same day as when Mr. Arnott again raised the need for a new Halton courthouse with the Attorney General during the morning Question Period.

A new courthouse is needed to replace the existing facility in Milton, which is aging, overcrowded and has serious security and privacy

concerns. According to the Halton County Law Association, litigants are often required to travel to Brampton and Guelph because the current Courthouse simply cannot handle the volume of cases.

"I want to acknowledge Halton Regional Chair Gary Carr and Regional Council, Paul Stunt, Ken Kelertas, Clarke Melville, and the many others who have helped bring attention to the need for a new courthouse," Mr. Arnott said. "Working together, we're making progress. We're going to continue to push for this until it gets done."

Mr. Arnott has raised the

need for a new courthouse repeatedly, not only in debate in the Legislature and in Question Period, but also in private conversations and letters to the Attorney General. Last year, he initiated a meeting with the Attorney General, Halton-area MPPs, and local lawyer Paul Stunt

to discuss the issue.

According to page 285 of the Government's 2016 Budget Papers document, the Ministry of the Attorney General plans to spend \$255 million on justice infrastructure this year.

The Attorney General stated in the Legislature as recently as May 31 that "the Milton Courthouse is still our number one priority in our Ministry," in response to Mr. Arnott's question on the subject.

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