

BRANCH No. 197 **LEGION NEWS**
By James Hayes P.R.O.

Comrades;
The Halton Hills Candlelight Tribute committee is in the process of organizing a similar event as last year. They will be contacting all four Acton schools, and invite all students who wish to attend. This year the Tribute will be held on Thursday, May 5. Notices will be published in the local papers and in the schools.

Comrade Joyce Buchanan reports the Branch telephone calling list is up to date, and has been mailed to 28 members; she hopes they will be able to participate as in the past. If you feel you are unable to manage this small task, please return the list to the bar at the Branch.

The telephone calling list is a very effective way of advising members quickly of the passing of our members, your participation is required to make it work.

The Branch will be visiting the veterans' wing at Sunnybrook Hospital in Toronto, on Sunday, February 13. The bus will be leaving the Branch at 12:45 pm., and a sign-up sheet has been posted in the Branch.

On Saturday, February 12 we will be holding a Valentine's dance in the auditorium from 9 p.m.-1 a.m. live entertainment by "Mid Life Crisis" Tickets \$10 each

Sports.

We have two members going to Provincial Bowling. Anne Marie Lowin and Carl Fisker won the Seniors Doubles in Georgetown last Saturday. Well done.

Provincial Curling, at press time we have no results from our senior team who are playing in Forest, Ontario

On February 5 this Saturday, the Branch is hosting

District Cribbage. We have two teams participating good luck...

We will be having a Super Bowl party on Sunday, February 6, come on down and watch the game on Marcel big screen TV. Chili and bun will be available for \$2. The Branch will be open from 4-11 p.m.

We have a date for the second annual Chili Cook Off; it's Saturday February 26. Remember the fun we had last year?

A trip to Rama has been planned for March 5, 2005 get your name in early for the bus.

LADIES' AUXILIARY NOTES:

The ladies would like to thank the Branch for their Ladies Appreciation Night. Thank you to the men in the kitchen who prepared the meal and also the men who served and the lady bartenders. It was an enjoyable evening for the LA.

The Honours and Awards Committee presented service pins as follows:

40 year pin to Gwen Dawe and Joan Taylor, 30 year pin to Anne Drysdale, Carol Norton accepted her mother's 30 year pin (Edna Graham), and 25 year pin to Kathy Verbeek. Some of these members were unable to attend but Fern will see they get their pins.

A Certificate of Merit was given to Maxine Burton.

Zone Euchre being held in Milton February 5, **Zone Darts** in Georgetown, February 12, Visit to Sunnybrook to see the **Vets Sunday, February 13, Zone Cribbage** Cooksville, February 19th.

Next General Meeting: Tonight: Thursday, February 3 at 7:30.

*Yours in Comradeship,
LA President Peggy Harris*

Local people spot lots of robins

Who has spotted the first robins, long considered a real harbinger of an early spring?

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Patterson spotted two red breasted robins at their home on Crewson Line, west of Acton, on Sunday, Jan. 30 about 10:40 a.m.

Meanwhile eight members of the Acton Seniors hiking club enjoying a trek through the Rockwood Conservation Area on Friday, Jan. 28, said they saw a flock of at least nine robins in the park.

Proof? Eileen Dix took some photos of the birds.

Early spring or mixed-up birds?

It's known that some robins miss the annual migration south. They stick



around for the winter, usually when they can perch in a sheltered spot and are assured of a daily food supply. However, they are few and far between, so perhaps the Patterson and seniors sightings of the rare birds is a harbinger of an early spring.

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Power of Attorney
Commonly asked questions

You can name the same person as your attorney for both types of Power of Attorney, or you can name different people.

When does a Power of Attorney for Personal Care take effect?
It takes effect only if you become mentally incapable of making some or all of your personal care decisions. (A Continuing Power of Attorney for Property, on the other hand comes into effect as soon as it is signed and witnessed, unless you state otherwise.)

Who would decide that I'm incapable of making personal care decisions?
It depends on the situation. In most cases, your attorney would decide this unless you name someone else in your Power of Attorney to "confirm" your incapacity.

If you do this, your attorney cannot start making personal care decisions for you until that other person confirms that you are incapable of making decisions. If your Attorney thinks you may be incapable, they must arrange for the appropriate person to assess you and confirm your incapacity.

Who can I name to confirm my mental incapacity?
You can name your family doctor, another health professional, even a personal friend to confirm your incapacity. Or you can specify a certain kind of professional: a social worker, psychologist, or nurse, for example.

Can anyone else decide that I am mentally incapable of making personal care decisions?
Yes. Sometimes the decision that you are mentally incapable is not up to your attorney or anyone you name. This is true in situations concerning your:
*health treatment
*admission to a long-term care facility, or
*need for personal assistance services (bathing and eating for example) while in a long-term care facility.

Next week- More questions and answers

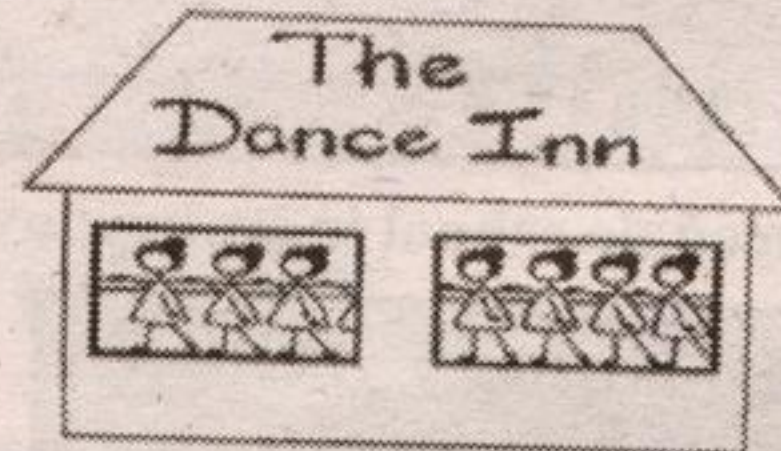
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