



Royal Canadian Legion Post 144 Pinellas County Florida Veterans Voice



MARCH 2020

The next meeting will be on Monday 9 March. 7 p.m. at
American Legion Post 7 . 1760 Turner St. Clearwater FL.



Commander's Comments

Greetings all. Where does the time go. Here we are into the last full month "down home", for most of us. With up and down weather, I'm still glad to be here, and not "up home" lately. Our Elvis fundraiser for AL Post 7 was a resounding success, with best attendance to date. The matinee was better than in the past, and the evening was sold out. Bruce and Blaze said they'd be back next year, and Post 7 was happy enough with what they received that they have agreed to allow us to do it again. Post 7's Commander Bob offered to sell our 50/50 tickets during the evening show, and netted us \$175. Combine that with the \$57 Bill McDiarmid did in the afternoon, and we did okay. Those who weren't there sure missed a great afternoon at Lorraine's for our National Flag of Canada Day Pot Luck Picnic. Neil MacArthur from the Canadian Club Canadien did a superb job promoting our joint attendance at the Ed Fletcher's Early Bird Dinner Theater. He sold out our six reserved tables and needed to get another. All who were there, thoroughly enjoyed the wonderful food and side splitting comedy. We are going for eight tables next season. Your Council has been working on our Calendar of Events for next (20/21) winter. When you get it, please mark the dates on your calendar so you

can be at each General Meeting and Social Event. You may bring as many friends as you wish, so they may see what a good time we have. Our March General Meeting is our Memorial, and Honours & Awards. This is a very important meeting where we honour our fallen, and recognize our loyal Members. Be sure to be present should you be in due for a Service Pin. Joe and Doug are working diligently to ensure all who deserve, receive. It will be my honour to represent our Post at Dominion and Zone Conventions this year. We need everyone to think of ways to introduce our Post here in Florida to more potential Members. There are lots of Canadian retirees who would enjoy our camaraderie, when they learn we are here. Find out how we can promote Post 144 in your park or complex, and let a Council Member know. Should you, or anyone you know, wish to be on Council or Chair an Event Committee, or help in any way, just say so. We have a great Post, with a long history that needs to be told. Do what you can, if is only coming out to a meeting or event. Thanks. Yours in comradeship. *Dann.*

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ACTIVITIES & ENTERTAINMENT

A Post 144 Calendar of Events has been issued to all members ..

PLEASE KEEP IT IN A PROMINENT PLACE FOR REFERENCE!!



Monday 9 March post 144 meeting Honours and Awards and Memorial service. 7 p.m.



Saturday 14 March Blue Jays Game.



Corned beef & Cabbage after the game @ VFW post 2550



Saturday 21 march 6.00 p.m. Steak night



at American Legion Post 119

130 1st. Ave. S.W . Largo



Sunday 22 March. Annual farewell Party (4p.m.) and flag disposal ceremony at Dusk. American Legion Post 7



Monday 6 April - Post 144 meeting 7:00 p.m. Last of the season.

The penalty for masturbation in Indonesia is decapitation. (Much worse than "going blind!")

Bumper sticker of the year: "If you can read this, thank a teacher -and, since it's in English, thank a soldier"



Please gather any torn tattered or faded USA & Canadian flags, and bring them to our meeting. We will ensure that they are properly and ceremoniously disposed of.



If you know of

someone who is interested in joining our post, let Membership Chairman Hart Watt know, and he will provide them with a newsletter, and application forms.

LOTS OF ROOM
FOR NEW
MEMBERS
HERE!



Many Canadian Legion items, and Post 144 items are now available from your QM Stores, including Post 144 Coffee cups, Post 144 decals, baseball caps, and visors. All will be available at the next meeting. See me at the meeting. Take a look at our catalogue. If I haven't got what you need, I'll get it for you. . *Quartermaster Doug Hall 727-474-3269*



Members !!! Please

make sure that your lady gets to read the newsletter. There are a lot of things going on that may be of interest to her. *The Editor*



Post 144 Colour Party

Colour Party

The "ceremony" of marching on the Colours, and playing of the Anthems at our

meetings is an important tradition that we need to maintain. **All that is required is a white shirt, and headdress.** We have five flags, USA - Canada - the Canadian Ensign, United Kingdom, and the Post Banner. Bring your headdress to the next meeting, just in case you're called upon.

We are always looking for volunteers.

We march on the Colours at our meetings at Post 7.

Doug Hall - Colour Party Commander.

727-542-8314



LUNCH ON THE PATIO/TIKI BAR

American Legion Post 252

11433 Park Blvd. Seminole, FL

On Park Blvd. just West of 113th. 11:30 a.m.

Wednesday 4 March. They are expecting us, so please don't disappoint.



They have a beautiful Tiki Bar outside, beside the pool. The special on Wed. is usually meat loaf. Come and enjoy!!

Good friends are good for your health.



TORONTO BLUE JAYS

SATURDAY 14 MARCH

vs Tampa Bay Rays

This will be a premium game. Are you prepared to spend a little more?? We have 60 seats, at \$33.00 each.

We will be in our usual Section 203 1st. Base side.

See me for tickets!



As usual, we are planning to go to VFW post 2550 {360 Douglas Ave.

Dunedin Fl.} after the game for

Corned Beef and Cabbage!! You don't have to go to the game to Join us for the fun.

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Post 144 Dues

Ordinary and Associate dues \$ 40.00

If you want to remain on our mailing list, please make sure your dues are current.

Remember! The American Legion, AMVETS, & VFW Posts will not accept 2019 Cards after 1 January 2020

If you are uncertain of your membership status, contact the Adjutant

315-281-7794

Don't compare your life to others. You have no idea what their journey is all about.



Winter Comrades

Suggested Winter Comrade donations are only \$10.00, however, you must produce your current Membership card with the 2020 sticker from your Canadian Branch to qualify as a Winter Comrade.

Post 144 mailing address is
 The Royal Canadian Legion
 Post 144, Pinellas County Florida
 1760 Turner St. Clearwater, FL. 33756



THIS IS WHERE YOU MAIL YOUR DUES

DINNER THEATRE

The Canadian Club Canadien will be hosting this event next year. We will keep you informed regarding date, time, and cost. If you have enjoyed this outing, make sure you tell the other members of the post. Those who attend will be provided with a wonderful meal, and an entertaining show.

SEE YOU NEXT YEAR

As you are probably aware, there is a reciprocity agreement with the **American Legion** and the **Royal Canadian Legion**. This allows our members to have 'Canteen Privileges' at most American Legion Posts. We have also been given the same privilege with **AMVETS**. It all started with **VFW Post 9272** in Seminole. Since then a number of other Veterans Clubs in the area have agreed to accept Canadian Legion cards at their posts. **Post 2550 VFW** in Dunedin will accept RCL cards, as well as **VFW Post 10304** (724 Tuskawilla St. at Myrtle) in Clearwater. (**Post 10304 and Post 2550 are 'Smoke Free', as well as Post 7) Post 119 Largo** is now smoke free!! We should all take advantage of these privileges, as they have been hard won. **Show your RCL card, and make some new friends.**

LISTEN TO YOUR HEART

LOVE BEYOND WORDS

LAUGH EVERY DAY

LIVE EVERY MOMENT



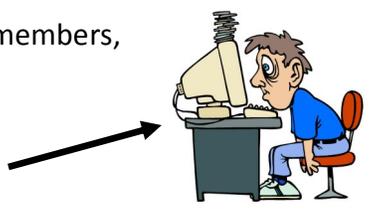
Editors Note:- Canteen privileges at any of the US veterans clubs is a **privilege, not a right**. They have the authority to refuse service to anyone they wish. We are fortunate in that we are welcome and accepted at most VSO Posts in Pinellas County.



HI HO, HI HO Your executive at work!

Editor's Note I requested that all Post 144 officers submit their reports to me with any info they would like included in the Veterans Voice. I can only print what has been provided. If you have something that you would like to pass on to the members, let me know.

Editor hard at work





Tell the people you love that you love them, at every opportunity



Alix Means is in the hospital.
More details to follow

If you know of any other members who are ill, please let Joe Dubuc know.

He will send a card .



Joe Dubuc

727-542-8314



I shall take you to bed and have my way with you.

I will make you ache, shake, and sweat until you moan and groan.

I will make you beg me to stop!
When I am finished you will be weak for days.

Sincerely,
the Flu.

What did you expect?



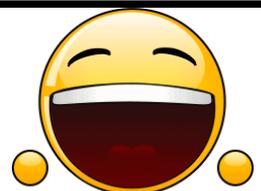
To help members find their way to some of our events, I am including the addresses, so you can use your GPS if you are not familiar with the location.

I like things to make sense. Don't you?

1. If poison expires, is it more poisonous, or is it no longer poisonous?
2. Which letter is silent in the word "scent", the S or the C?
3. Do twins ever realize that one of them was unplanned?
4. Why is the letter "W", in English, called double U? Shouldn't it be called double V?
5. Maybe oxygen is slowly killing you, and it just takes 75 to 100 years to fully work.
6. Every time you clean something, you just make something else dirty.
7. TRY IT—the word "swims" upside-down is still "swims".
8. If you replace the "W" with "T" in "What, Where and When" , you get the answers to each of them.



Blessed are they who can laugh at themselves,
for they shall never cease to be amused!





The Canadian Club

Canadien

will be meeting for lunch at

Banquet Masters on

Wednesday 11 MARCH. 11:a.m.

13355 9th.St.N. Clearwater.

(SE corner of 49th & Ulmerton)

For more information, call

Dann Oliver 727-343-3843



At a movie theatre, which arm rest is yours?

If people evolve from monkeys, why are monkeys still around?

Why is there a "D" in fridge, but not in refrigerator?

The Fun of the English language



Honours and Awards



Any member that is due to receive an award for service, e.g. 5-10-15-20 yrs etc., please make sure that Joe Dubuc has the details. Presentations will be made at the Memorials

and Awards meeting. **9 March of 2020.**

The following members will be receiving awards

Ord. Dann Oliver 30yrs.

ord. Ross Small 20 yrs.

Asso. Claire Lawson 30 yrs.

Afil. HooJung Jones 10 yrs.

Afil. Barry Matheson 10 yrs.

Asso. Nicole Huard 10 yrs.

Asso.Susan Morrow Steele 15 yrs.

Ord. Claud Buchard 15 yrs.

Ord. Guy Larocque 10 yrs.

Ord, Charley Lemay 10 yrs.

Ord. Eugene Warner Sr. 20 yrs.

Ord. Kenneth Wilkinson 30 yrs.

Asso Gilles Gagnon 5 yrs.

Mary Oliver

Nancy Hall Medal, 2 bars.

Joe Dubuc Awards Bar

Lorraine Davy Certificate of Appreciation (Hosting Pot Luck)

A wise saying (as heard on TV)— The wealthiest camel has the biggest hump.

A few Oxymorons

Is it good if a vacuum really sucks?

Why is the third hand on the watch called the second hand?

If a word is misspelled in the dictionary, how would we ever know?

If Webster wrote the first dictionary, where did he find the words?

Why do we say something is out of whack? What is a whack?

Why does slow down, and slow up mean the same thing?

Why does fat chance, and slim chance mean the same thing?

Why do tug boats push their barges?

