Branch 133, Legion Village, Inc.



Village View November 2025

Many happy returns to our November birthday people:

Marie G. Dorothy T. Carol I.

Wilfred S. Larry S. Marlene L.

Glen K. Gertraud H. Dale W.

Greg W. Robert S. Kathy P.

Elizabeth L.



Welcome to our new tenants:

Mary H. Felicitas W. Deborah H.

Debra N. Judith F. Heather R.

Judith J. Victor & Muriel T.

New Tenant Orientation

We will be holding another New Tenant meeting on Thursday November 20th at 2:00pm in the second-floor lounge. It is a great way to meet some of your neighbours of Legion Village. I invite the Resident Board Representatives to attend so they can meet the new residents and be there to answer any questions about the Board process. If any tenants have questions, they can call Chyvone Samis at 905-372-8705 x101, or Michael at 905-372-8705 x103. At these meetings, we discuss safety issues, including fire safety and evacuation, and some of our activities we have in the Rec Hall and lounges.

October generous donations:

• In memory of Helen Thomas from Joanne M., Sylvia P., Wilf and Helen S., Carol L., Paul H. and Jocelyne P.

Donations in Memory of someone, or for Resident Activity Fund can be made at anytime in the office. Please leave donations in an envelope, with your name and unit# so we can issue a tax receipt for donations of \$20 or more. Tax receipts are issued by the end of the month, each month.

Covid and Flu Shot Vaccine Clinic

We will be holding a vaccine clinic on Monday November 24th starting at 9:00 AM. We will be spreading out the number of spots and giving time slots to return for the vaccine/flu shot to reduce waiting times. I recommend those that can get the flu shot/Covid Vaccine at their doctor's office/pharmacy, do so to reduce wait times on the day of the clinic.

We will only have two paramedics available to administer the vaccine and flu shot, so please be prepared to wait. Both the Covid Vaccine and Flu shot will be available at the same time.

The conditions for getting the Covid Vaccine include: 3 months since last vaccine, no confirmed case of Covid in the last six months. If you have questions, please call the Supportive Housing Office.

Remembrance Day Celebrations

We will be holding a Remembrance Day Service in the Rec Hall on Monday November 10th at 10:00 AM. Major Dan Broome and Major Brenda Holnbeck will be leading the service. We are

working with Don Ramsey, for Legion Village to put on a top-notch remembrance for our Heroes that served and are still serving to allow us our freedom. We will be lowering the flag at half mast and have a Piper and Colour Guard in attendance for the service.

The Annual Tea and Bazaar will be held Saturday November 22nd from 10:00am – 1:00 pm

We will be holding our annual event again this year in the Rec Hall. Please come out to experience this fun event. Included this year is a bake sale, arts and craft tables, vendors and a tea!

SEPTEMBER BOARD HIGHLIGHTS:

- The Annual General Meeting (AGM) will be held on Friday, November 28th beginning at 9:30 a.m. in the Rec Hall
- The Board is in the process of making changes to the by-laws. These changes will be approved by the Board and presented at the AGM for a vote.
- The Board established a Nomination Committee to replace open seats on the Board of Directors. The committee's recommended slate of candidates will be presented at the AGM for approval.

AGM Details:

Two open positions (for non-residents) have been approved by the Board and will be inducted at the AGM. There will be representatives of the Branch 133 Legion and representatives for Branch 133 Legion Village Residents. Please come out to vote to approve the new Members for the 2025-2026 Branch 133 Legion Village Inc. Board of Directors.

To participate in the annual general meeting, held Friday November 28th at 9:30 a.m.:

Please arrive between 0900 – 0915, with your Legion Membership if you are a Member of the Branch 133 Cobourg Legion. We will take roll call at the beginning of the meeting, so we know who is in attendance.

MAINTENANCE DEPARTMENT REQUEST:

Jake and the Managers will be conducting a full evacuation of the building for Fire Safety purposes in November. This fire evacuation is intended to practice our Fire Plan that is

updated annually. We will be sounding internal and external alarms. We will be sending a notification of the instructions in advance of the evacuation, which is tentatively set for November 18th 2025.

Snow removal protocols will be sent out again this year in November. If you park at Legion Village, please make yourself aware of the policy, and be prepared to move your vehicle if there has been a snowfall greater than 5 cm. You will be notified to move your vehicle to a safe alternative spot. Again, we remind you to be cognizant of local parking laws. Legion Village will not be responsible for parking tickets and/or other fees associated with vehicles off site. Once again, this year we have been granted permission to park at the Cobourg Legion as the snow is removed from our parking lot. If you are going to be away in the winter months, please let the office know who you have assigned to move your vehicle in your absence.

Visitors and Deliveries:

If you have a visitor between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m we will be able to screen the visitors and allow entry for deliveries. After these hours, we ask that you have your visitors and/or deliveries punch in your code on the panel in the front vestibule. We are in the process of updating the system, and if your number currently isn't working, and you have notified the office already, please have your guest/delivery person punch in code 9876 and the staff will allow entry. If you receive a call from the panel to allow your visitor, you can press 9 to allow them entry.

Overnight Guests:

Many of you have enquired about having overnight guests. As long as we are not in outbreak and you are not self-isolating or feeling unwell, overnight guests are welcome. Your guest must sign in and be screened at the front desk. All visitors must always enter through the front doors only and be screened in at the front desk.

Unwanted Visitors:

Recently, we have had a number of calls to the front desk to report suspicious visitors on both Legion Village property and in the empty soccer fields and/or bus stop. Please be advised that there are family members of our residents that like to walk the grounds and some smoke/vape outside, as Legion Village is a smoke-free environment. Also, be aware that we can not do anything about visitors on both the soccer fields and/or in the bus stop. These areas are public property and anyone is allowed to be there. If you see someone using elicit drugs (visible

paraphernalia) you may call the police, or ask the front desk to get someone to investigate during business hours.

We have several video recording cameras in the parking lots and at entrances to the building, so we can investigate any unwanted visitors on Legion Village property. Please remember not to allow anyone in the building you do not know either by buzzing them in, or allowing them to follow you into the building. All staff have been issued ID cards with their names and pictures on them to help residents identify those walking around in or out of Legion Village.

DIETARY DEPARTMENT UPDATE

Thanksgiving was a great celebration on Saturday October 11th in the dining room. It was nice to see so many extra faces, giving us many things to be Thankful for! The dietary staff put together a great meal.

There is a Food Committee Meeting in the Rec Hall on Thursday, November 13th at 2PM.

Please note that when you wish to be added to the dining room list for meals, we try to accommodate seating requests as best as we can. We can not guarantee all requests for 3 or 4 at a table, as our dining room is quite full (especially for Sunday dinner or special event meals). We appreciate your co-operation when your request can not be accommodated. Booking your request ahead of time increases your chance to be accommodated, as all bookings are on a first-in model.

Christmas Dinner in the Dining Room

We will be offering a few spaces for residents that normally do not join us in the dining room to purchase a Christmas Dinner in the dining room on December 25th 2025. If you have decided to stay home this year, or you wish to invite a guest, you can join us in the dining room for a turkey meal with all the trimmings and a glass of wine at a cost of \$20.00 per guest. Due to capacity, we may not be able to accommodate everyone and will therefore be creating a waiting list. If space allows, we will add guests to the waiting list but remember that residents will take priority over guests.

Please let Tammy know if you would like to be added to the list. We are placing a cut off date of December 12th. If you are from Phase 2/3 or are already a regular in our dining room, you are already included and do not need to call for a reservation, unless it is to inform us that you will not be attending. If you know you are going to be elsewhere for dinner on Christmas, please let us know by the December 12th deadline.

ACTIVITIES UPDATE

Talk with Carolyn November 5th at 2PM
Remembrance Day Observance November 10th at 10 a.m. in the Rec Hall
Food Committee Meeting November 13th at 2 p.m. in the Rec Hall
Sub Lunch in the Rec Hall (Sign up and pay prior) November 14th at 12:00 PM
Pot Luck Lunch in the Rec Hall on November 17th at 12:00 PM
Coffee with Michael on November 18th at 9:30 AM in the Rec Hall
New Tenant Meeting November 20th at 2:00pm in the 2nd Floor Lounge
Annual Tea and Bazaar November 22nd from 10 a.m. – 1 p.m. in the Rec Hall
Monthly Birthday Celebration November 26th at 2 p.m. in the Rec Hall
Forster's entertaining in Main Lounge November 27th at 6:30 p.m.
Pat and Ren November 28th at 7 p.m. in Phase III Lounge

Annual General Meeting of the Board of Directors November 28th at 9:30 AM in the Rec Hall

STAFF APPRECIATION WEEK NOVEMBER 17th to the 21st 2025

We have over 60 people who keep Legion Village a warm and welcoming place to call home. These include PSW's, Admin-Clerical/Activity Co-Ordinator, cooks, kitchen aids, housekeeping and maintenance. Each department is very important to the overall smooth functioning of our programs and services. In addition, there are 8 staff on our management team.

Annually, Legion Village holds a staff appreciation event in November. This year we will have something special planned for our staff every day between November 17th to 21st Please pass along your thanks to them as well.

At this time, we will be accepting donations, if you are so inclined to help fund the appreciation events for our terrific staff. You can drop a donation off to Chyvone, or in my mailbox, outside my office.

SECRET SANTA FOR RESIDENTS

We will be collecting items again to help those residents at Legion Village in need, to have a Happy Christmas. Last year we received gift cards, body wash, shampoo, socks, slippers, scarf and mitt sets and more. Any donations will make a difference.

We will be accepting unwrapped items in the office Monday through Friday.

Carolyn and Tammy will be collecting Jammies for Families. If you would like to donate Jammies for Women, Children and/or babies, please drop them off between November 17th to December 12th at the front desk. The donations will be given to Cornerstone Family Violence Prevention Centre.

And finally......



Christmas Social Activities:

We are hoping to be in full swing this Christmas, Carolyn and Tammy will be decorating again beginning late November! We are so looking forward to getting into the spirit. Carolyn will also be starting social activities as we enter into this festive season. Watch for an upcoming November and December calendar.

Sincerely,

Michael Eden, Executive Director