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# CONTACT!

## Isn't it time **YOU** renewed your first aid skills???

St. John Ambulance is partnering with the Kanata Branch Legion 638 to provide a **Lifesaver First Aid Program**. Learn how to help someone who is unconscious, choking or having heart attack. This training will include CPR and how to use a defibrillator.

Date: Saturday September 15

Time: 1:00 PM to 4:30 PM

Location: Kanata Legion – 70 Hines Rd., Kanata

Cost: \$30.00 per person

The training session is also open to the general public.

To register please sign up on the sheet at the branch or call the Legion at 613-591-5570

**Note:** CPR training involves strenuous physical activity. Please check with your physician if you are unsure whether you should participate.

## Whaur's oor wee Bamdie?



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We ken fine they played at the Highland Games in Maxville and then were poured onto a plane for Glasgie, but, since then, they've vanished into, or rather *as* the Highland Mist.

We **KNOW** that, as public-spirited individuals, they intended (in addition to the usual piping and

drumming and singing auld Harry Lauder songs) to conduct a series of health and safety inspections, so we looked in places

...like this:



and this:



and this:



...but, despite crawling through every pub from Fife to Scapa, we've yet to find where they've gone to ground.

# HOWEVER,

**We know they're not forgotten, as The Royal Scottish Pipe Band Association has honoured our very own Highland Mist Pipe Band by naming them the band to lead the Finale March Past at the World Pipe Band Championships on August 11!!!**

***WELL DONE, THE BAND!!!***

*By now, they'll have moved on to bigger things – **The Distilleries !!!***

## **The Prez Sez:**

Congratulations to Branch member Andrew Nellestyn on being awarded The Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Medal.

Sun 12 Aug. the Branch celebrated Lyall Gow's one hundredth birthday. Approx 100 Branch member, friends and family were in attendance. Thank you to Moira Green for organizing this great event. Thank you to all that helped make this day special..

The Ray Ponto golf tournament will be held on 16 Aug with a bar b que following at the Branch.

The Branch celebrated the 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Women in the Canadian Forces with approx 70 in attendance. Thanks to Moira and Terry Jenkins for organizing and to the crew in the kitchen for preparing the food.

The Jul/Aug Birthday party will be held on Sunday 26 Aug.

As mentioned in the Email sent out the Highland Mist Pipe Band has been honoured by the Scottish Pipe Band Assoc. to be the leader band on Aug 11, at the World Championships in Scotland.

Congratulations to Branch member Patricia Smith, artist. This painting has been accepted at the Halifax Club, Halifax NS, It has won a couple of awards in previous shows. This is quite an honour for Pat as it is a juried exhibition



John Cher  
Pres.

## This month's donations

Kanata Branch 638 donated \$500 from the trust account to St. John Ambulance (Federal District) in memory of our late comrade, Past President and Zone Commander Michel (Mike Lapensée, to be used in the youth programs of the St. John Ambulance Brigade within Federal District. An anonymous member of the Branch raised this amount to \$700.

The Ladies Auxiliary of the Branch donated \$100 to The Liver Foundation, also in memory of Mike.

The Branch also donated \$300 and a number of raffle items/door prizes to the benefit "Concert for Carp" which aims to assist drought-stricken farmers in this area.

Finally, the Branch donated \$250 to the trust fund established to assist the tragically orphaned Vance children.

Connie Taylor  
Marianne Wilkinson

The following ladies received commemorative pins:

Patricia Hiltz  
Beth Davis  
Dorothy Peddle  
Angie Jacklin  
Patsy Sweet

MPP Gordon O'Connor, Cde Ron Goebel and Cde Dave Cormier were on hand to present medals and pins to our lady guests. Jack MacLaren and his wife also were in attendance. Refreshments were provided by the branch and were prepared and served by Ladies Auxiliary members Moira, Pat, Nancy and June. Thanks to PJ for bar tending. A big thank you to Terry Jenkins who got the ball rolling at the outset and to those branch exec members and members who showed up to support this event. An enjoyable social time was had by all.

On Sunday August 19 the Ladies Auxiliary will host a family BBQ at 4 00 p m . Sign up sheet and more details to follow.

If you are a veteran in need or are aware of a veteran/member who would like a visit, please call or email me.

Yours in service  
Moira

## The Second Vice:

On Sunday July 22nd the branch hosted a ceremony to honour our lady veterans and special lady guests to celebrate the 70th Anniversary of Women in the Armed Forces. The following veterans received a branch service medal and a commemorative pin.

Irene Clark  
Helen Rapp  
Mary Egan  
Winnie Ponto

## New Branch Honours

Each year, the Branch awards a number of bursaries from the Poppy Trust Fund to students proceeding to institutions of higher learning.

We have decided to recognize the services of two outstanding members of the Branch by naming bursaries in their honour on a perpetual basis.

Accordingly, next month we will make the first awards of

***The Lyall Gow Bursary***  
and  
***The Mike Lapensés Memorial Bursary***



***Please come out and support our neighbours, the farmers of the Carp Valley, in what may be the worst year of drought they will ever face.***



Butler's Rangers was a Loyalist infantry unit that served in the American Revolution in company with His Majesty's Mohawk allies, Raised by the Superintendent of Indian Affairs in rhgw Mohawk Valley and his son, they were largely composed of settlers of German origin from the Mohawk Valley west of Albany NY. The badge shown is a modern version. Few, if any, originals exist.

## **A PERSONAL THANK YOU – from Lorraine Lapensée and family**

Many thanks to the Branch #638 and Ladies' Auxiliary members for all the support in many ways the Ladies' Auxiliary and members provided to me during my sick leave with the provision of food, flowers, cards, phone calls, visits, drives, loan of weights for physiotherapy. All of this was such a big help to get through the first six weeks of recovery while alone at home, not being able to drive or maneuver around the house easily. THANK YOU SO MUCH!

Many more thanks to those of you who visited Mike while in hospital. Everyone's visit meant so much to him. You touched his heart with visits, phone calls, gifts and much more.

On behalf of Mike's family, my family and myself, I wish to specially thank you for your ongoing support during the recent loss of my husband, Mike. How special he was and how much he will be missed was clearly evident at the well attended service and reception. Thank you John Cher, Bob Thomson, those in the Colour Party and legion members for making the legion tribute as special as it was in Mike's honour. Thank you Brenda Grant for playing the bag pipes. I appreciate the efforts you made to be the one to be there to play. Special thanks to our Ladies' Auxiliary for a perfect reception. You thought of everything! I appreciate the thoughtfulness, caring and support from so many which has given me strength to carry on. Another thank you for the donations made in Mike's memory by both Branch and Ladies' Auxiliary. How fortunate I am to have so many good friends. I don't know how to thank you enough! With deepest regards, *Lorraine*



**EVERYONE IS  
WELCOME!**

*The Ladies' Auxiliary,  
Branch #638*

## ***FAMILY BBQ***



***Sunday, August 19, 2012***

***Hamburgers / Hot Dogs /  
Salads/ Dessert / Coffee/Tea  
\$10.00/person***

***\$5.00/ Children 12 years and under***

***Possible Musical entertainment-  
to be confirmed a.s.a.p.***

***BBQ Dinner ... 5:00 p.m. – 6:30  
p.m.***

***WHEN YOU SUPPORT THE LADIES' AUXILIARY,  
YOU SUPPORT THE ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION  
BRANCH #638!***

**NOTE: IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO ATTEND AND HAVE  
SIGNED UP, PLEASE CALL IN ADVANCE TO CANCEL.**

## **Recapping the Coming Events:**

**16 August – 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Ray Ponto Golf  
Tournament**

**19 August – L.A. Family Night, with music by the  
Legion Band**

**23 August – Concert for Carp at Carp  
Fairgrounds**

**25 August – Highland Mist Pipe Band at North  
Lanark Highland Games, Almonte**

**26 August – July/ August  
Birthdays/ Anniversaries party**

**15 September – First Aid/CPR course**

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**PLEASE CHECK IT REGULARLY.**