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MAKING NON-MEDICAL FACE MASKS

From: Owen J.W. Parkhouse, Vice-President & Chair of Public Relations Committee, Dominion Command.

Comrades, Canada's top doctor recently stated that wearing non-medical masks can help limit the transmission of COVID-19. Fortunately, masks are relatively easy to make and there are even simple options for non-sewers. I have been asked to find out if there is interest across our Legion volunteer base to help make masks. I'd like your help to canvass your Provincial Command Executive, Branches and Ladies' Auxiliaries (this is, of course, not limited to the LAs) to see if any would be interested in making these non-medical masks in the fight against the Pandemic. Get back to me with your thoughts and let me know if there is interest.

How would this project work?

We would provide guidance in terms of a template. For example, the CBC has an on-line article on "**How to make yourself a face mask**" with various patterns which can be found at: <https://www.cbc.ca/life/wellness/how-to-make-yourself-a-face-mask-1.5526889>

Masks would not be medical grade but could be donated to help with any community need – long term care facilities, local businesses, or others.

Note that we would not provide funds to purchase mask materials, and Poppy Funds could not be used for this purpose.

Masks will certainly become 'de rigueur' when the Provinces start opening up and therefore this is something additional that Legionnaires might like to do for their communities. This could also become a great story and could even be likened to the Legion making socks for Canadian troops during the Second World War! Who knows, before long we may be planting Victory Gardens at our Legions too!



Branch member and Veteran Wanda Beaudoin was already making non-medical face masks for friends and family. Anyone else interested in the Legion project?

As additional information, our Supply Department is currently sourcing Legion branded masks as a Supply item to be offered through our Poppy Store.

If anyone has any questions, comments or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me or Nujma Bond at nbond@legion.ca. Thanks for being a Legionnaire and I hope to see everyone in the very near future. Stay safe and be kind!

For more information, please contact Owen J.W. Parkhouse, ojwparkhouse@gmail.com Tel: 902-213-9764

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FROM THE PRESIDENT

Comrades,

Six weeks and counting of this social-distancing-self-isolation-stay-at-home-thing. But we're doing fine. And this may come as a surprise, but we actually did get some good news in April as we received a cheque for \$3,058 from Ontario Command. This support came as a result of Dominion Command returning *per capita* contributions from branches based on membership, and making the funds available as financial assistance during branch closures. There may be additional financial support coming later. There are many federal government support programs that were announced recently, but so far, none apply to our situation – i.e. most relate to supporting employees or businesses with employees.

Concerning branch elections, which would normally have taken place on May 3rd, the latest directive from Dominion and Ontario Command states that *"at this time Branch Elections, transitions to new executives and By-Laws pertaining to Branch elections are suspended pending a return to normal branch operations."* So, for now, the term for your current Executive is extended until we can run elections. Members have agreed to stay on as required, so branch business will be handled as usual.

Even though the primary aims of the Legion are supporting Veterans and promoting Remembrance, those of us who are not immediately affected financially by the stay-at-home order may want to consider supporting the Coldwater Foodbank. You can drop-off non-perishable food in person every Thursday between 2-4 p.m., in the basement of the United Church on Harriet St, near the Cemetery. You can also mail a cheque or a Coldwater Foodland gift card to:

c/o Arden Maltby
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Some of you may have wondered why our Army, Navy, and Air Force flags, and the National and Provincial flags at the front of the building haven't been raised yet. They were stored away for the winter months after November 11, and would normally have been raised the week before Vimy Ridge Day. Well, given the situation, it was decided to wait for the re-opening of the branch. That will be "the signal" to the community that we're back in business.



In terms of Legion conventions, the District "E" Spring Convention, which had already been postponed from April to June, has now been cancelled. The Dominion Convention in Saskatoon has also been postponed to 2021. See the announcement from the Dominion President on page 9.

Finally, I want to remind everyone AGAIN that the best way to avoid catching and spreading the COVID-19 virus is to wash your hands frequently with soap, and practise social distancing by staying home whenever possible. Stay home! Stay safe!

Any questions, you may contact me at home at (705) 686-3941, email norm.marion@amtelecom.net

Yours in Comradeship,
Norm Marion, President

SICK & VISITING REPORT

Submitted by Comrade Betty-Anne Burnie, Sick and Visiting Chairperson

I have been keeping in touch with those I know are ill or not well. If there are any issues that require my attention please let me know. Home phone (705) 686-3270 or email bburnie6@hotmail.com.

THE MAPLE LEAF

The Maple Leaf is the award-winning newsletter of Royal Canadian Legion Branch 270 Coldwater, published each month in the first week of the month. It is primarily an internal communication tool through which the Branch Executive and Committee Chairpersons disseminate information and report to the membership on their respective activities. Opinions expressed in feature articles are those of the writers and do not imply endorsement by the Branch or the Legion.

Committee reports and pre-arranged articles must be received no later than the 21st of each month in order to be published in the following month's issue. Please submit by email addressed to: Branch PRO – Maple Leaf at branch270@rogers.com.

GENERAL MEETING

Due to the COVID-19 virus pandemic emergency, **General Meetings are suspended until further notice.** Branch General Meetings normally take place on the fourth Wednesday of each month, from September to June, in the upstairs hall at 6:30 p.m.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Submitted by Comrade Wayne Tutt, Membership Chairperson

Hello Comrades. Our membership is at 271. Life 3, Ordinary 41, Associate 139, and Affiliate 88.

Branch elections, and Honours and Awards have been postponed. No date has been set.

Stay tuned, and stay safe!! Thank you.

TREASURER REPORT

Submitted by Comrade Annie McArthur, Secretary-Treasurer

Our finances remain secure. Thanks to Ontario Command for the donation of \$3058.00.

Have a great day.

SPORTS REPORT

We will be looking for someone to take over the duties of Sports Officer once normal activities resume. Please contact the Branch office if interested, 686-3388, email: branch270@rogers.com.

BAR OFFICER REPORT

Submitted by Comrade Maggie Murphy, Bar Officer

Hopefully it won't be too much longer before we can slowly reopen. I am working on some opening strategies for the club room. Hopefully members of the executive will be able to gather for a meeting to share our ideas. As Bar Officer I will forward you my thoughts and try to arrange for personal protective equipment (PPE) for our branch. I know it may be some time before we open, but I would like to have a plan in place for when it happens. This will be a joint undertaking by the Executive to be sure we have a safe environment when we reopen. Thank you.

VETERANS SERVICE OFFICER REPORT

Submitted by Comrade Randy Rice, Veterans Service Officer

One of Canada's largest Veterans organizations is urging the federal government to automatically approve the roughly 44,000 outstanding applications for disability benefits from injured Veterans to help them better deal with the COVID-19 crisis.

The call from the National Council of Veterans Organization, which represents more than 60 Veterans groups, comes amid fear about the financial and emotional toll the pandemic is taking on Veterans struggling with mental and physical wounds.

One of the issues facing some Veterans is that they require a doctor's assessment of their medical condition before their application will be processed by Veterans Affairs Canada, yet many doctors are not seeing patients in person except in extreme circumstances. This has left many Veterans in limbo.

If you need to reach me, my contact info is as follows: email ricerandolph@gmail.com cell (705) 816-0110.



Our Veterans Service Officer Randy Rice shared this photo as a reminder of what some of us may look like when we finally emerge from our houses after months of barber-distancing. We miss you Terry Henry!

Quote of the Month

“We are at a pivotal moment right here and right now ... Where we go from here, what happens next depends on you. To those of you who believe the choice to ignore public health recommendations will not make a difference, this is not accurate and this is not acceptable.”

— Dr. Eileen de Villa, Toronto’s medical officer of health, on dealing with the COVID-19 pandemic.

SENIORS LITERARY COMPETITION

Submitted by Comrade Betty-Jean Murray, Past President

The Seniors Literary Competition is moving along nicely. Word is spreading. See Orillia Matters of April 17, 2020. As published in the April Maple Leaf, the contest deadline has been extended to 6:00 p.m., June 15, 2020. Please send your submissions along to the Seniors Literary email address of branch270seniorsliterary@gmail.com I am pleased to say Branch 270 has received 12 submissions to date. Thank you to those seniors who have submitted something already. It appears our seniors approve of our competition and are anxious to take part. Terrific! A good response so far and we still have six weeks to go.

PUBLIC RELATIONS REPORT

Submitted by Comrade Norm Marion, Public Relations Officer

As one would expect in the circumstances, there aren't many events and activities to promote during this stay-at-home period. And yet, the Maple Leaf is still published each month, the Facebook page and website are still updated regularly, and work on the annual Branch Scrapbook continues. As mentioned in the Branch Historian report, feel free to send me photos of how you and your family cope with this isolation or "social distancing" period. We could use some of them in the Maple Leaf and Scrapbook.

BRANCH HISTORIAN REPORT

Submitted by Comrade Norm Marion, Branch Historian

The National Flag at the Coldwater Cenotaph was lowered to half-mast on April 9, in commemoration of the Battle of Vimy Ridge. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic,

commemorative wreath laying ceremonies were cancelled in Ottawa and across the country, including here in Coldwater. Please read on page 7 how Veterans Affairs Canada is dealing with the commemoration of significant battles and events during the month of May, including the 75th anniversaries of the Battle of the Atlantic, the Liberation of the Netherlands and Victory in Europe (V-E Day).

Comrades, let me remind you - as if it wasn't obvious enough - that we are living right now through significant historical times. From a Branch Historian point of view, it's important for me/us to document our activities, or lack thereof. I can't go around and take pictures of you wearing your mask and gloves at the grocery stores or on your walk, but you can certainly ask your partner to take one, or take a selfie. It's not like you don't have the time these days. I will need something to put in the annual Scrapbook for the months of April – May, something other than a picture of Norm and his flag!



Coldwater Legion Branch President Normand Marion lowers the National Flag at his home on April 9, Vimy Ridge Day, a reminder for everyone to stay home and stay safe, unless you must go in public for essential business.



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7. Contestants may submit only one entry in any / each category
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9. Biographies that are submitted must include written consent of the subject, if living.

Entry forms available upon request at <branch270seniorsliterary@gmail.com>

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<branch270seniorsliterary@gmail.com>

Subject clearly marked 'Branch 270, Coldwater Literary Contest for Seniors'.

NO EXCEPTIONS.

PRIZES WILL BE AWARDED TO winners in each category at a date to be determined later

POETRY — maximum 32 lines

SHORT STORY - word count maximum 4,000

ESSAY — word count maximum 1,000

MEMOIR — includes biographies, autobiographies, and travel writing — word count max. 5000

THIS MONTH WE REMEMBER

THE BATTLE OF THE ATLANTIC, THE LIBERATION OF THE NETHERLANDS AND V-E DAY

This year marks the 75th anniversaries of the Battle of the Atlantic, the Liberation of the Netherlands and Victory in Europe (V-E Day). Canadians – whether serving in the Royal Canadian Navy, the Royal Canadian Air Force, or the Canadian Army, overseas or on the home front – all contributed to the long-awaited liberation of Europe.

From September 1939 to May 1945, the Canadian Merchant Navy transported vital supplies and troops across the Atlantic Ocean, helping fuel the eventual Allied victory in Europe. Tens of thousands of brave Canadians took part in the Battle of the Atlantic, serving on merchant vessels and naval warships, as well as in the air force planes that helped protect the Allied convoys. More than 4,600 of them would lose their lives. Battle of the Atlantic Sunday is being marked on May 3 this year and is an opportunity to remember all those who served in this bitter struggle at sea.

The Liberation of the Netherlands, from the fall of 1944 to the spring of 1945, is one of our country's best known efforts during the Second World War, and saw close to 175,000 Canadians take part. Our soldiers steadily pushed back the enemy on the battlefield and also undertook humanitarian relief efforts like air-dropping desperately needed food for the starving Dutch civilians. On 5 May 1945, Canadian troops accepted the surrender of the remaining German forces in the Netherlands. Two days later, all German forces surrendered across Europe. The next day, 8 May 1945, was officially declared V-E Day.

Although in-person ceremonies and events commemorating these special anniversaries have been postponed, we are providing Canadians with a virtual opportunity to safely commemorate and remember those who have sacrificed for our freedom. We are actively telling our Veterans' stories, promoting learning activities and encouraging participation on our social media channels (Facebook, Twitter and Instagram) using interactive tools such as videos, imagery, and podcasts.

Together, we can ensure that those who served are properly honored despite these difficult and unprecedented times.

Source: Veterans Affairs Canada

POPPY REPORT

Submitted by Comrade Betty-Jean Murray, Poppy Chairperson

I am pleased to report we have had no calls on our Poppy Funds this month which, to me, means our Veterans and Veterans' families are holding their own for now. Please be reminded if any Veteran or family of a Veteran is in need of assistance to reach out to the Veterans Service Officer, Randy Rice or to me for help. The funds held within Poppy are there for that very reason.

DISTRICT "E" 2020 FALL CONVENTION

Submitted by Comrade Betty-Jean Murray, District "E" Fall Convention Chairperson

We have every reason to believe the Fall Convention will be taking place on schedule in early October, so all of you talented people, please put your imagination to work and create something beautiful for our prize table. It will be a great showcase for your skills.

DON'T FORGET MOM, SUNDAY MAY 10TH

Submitted by Comrade Rosalie J. Pratt

First, a little bit of history... Ann Jarvis was a peace activist who cared for wounded soldiers on both sides of the American Civil War. She created the Mother's Day Work Clubs to address the public health issues of the day. In 1908, her daughter Anna Jarvis held a memorial for her mother in Grafton, West Virginia and she petitioned the U.S. Congress to recognize Mother's Day as an official holiday. They rejected the proposal. Anna was not deterred and pursued her quest to have Mother's Day recognized. By 1911 all states observed the holiday. In 1914, Woodrow Wilson signed a proclamation designating Mother's Day be held on the second Sunday in May.

Today, Mother's Day is observed in forty plus countries with celebrations from March to May with the second Sunday in May being the most popular date.

Fast forward to 2020 and given our current global situation and it may appear that Mother's Day may be somewhat difficult to celebrate. Hardly!

Just because most of the amenities are unavailable doesn't mean you don't have options. In fact, this can be your golden opportunity to show your creativity to show Mom that she's special, every day, not only on Mother's Day.

You can draw Mom a warm bath and provide some essential oils, a candle and some relaxing music. Offer a bath towel you have warmed in the dryer!

You can choose to stand in line at your favourite grocery store and pick a potted plant or choose a bouquet of pink

carnations (they are the designated flower for this occasion).

Breakfast in bed is always a treat.

Can't cook? Well, there are plenty of take-out or delivery services in the area so decide on Saturday what you will be serving for lunch or supper on Sunday and call in your order early on Sunday to avoid disappointment or a long wait for your meal.

Really surprise her and on the day before, do the laundry, pass the vacuum cleaner, and dust the furniture.

If you live a distance away, let your fingers do the walking and call Mom, once to say good morning and once to say good night!

It's 2020...Skype and ask Mom to share moments of her day with you.

Rather than buying a card, choose to make a card and you write something from your heart – you'll find the words!

Never forget, it doesn't matter how old you are, you will always be your mother's little girl or little boy. Yes, she knows you are grown-up. It doesn't matter. Just because the umbilical cord was cut never doubt you are irrevocably tied to your mother.

I remember my mother's words to me...A mother's job is done when she closes her eyes for the final time. Until then, she's on the job 24/7. And you too my dear will be on the job 24/7. She was right!

Just don't forget to say I love you Mom. And say it often.

JOKE OF THE MONTH

"Poor Old fool," thought the well-dressed gentleman as he watched an old man fish in a puddle outside a pub. So he invited the old man inside for a drink. As they sipped their whiskeys, the gentleman thought he'd humor the old man and asked, "So how many have you caught today?" The old man replied, "You're the eighth."



LEGION DOMINION CONVENTION 2020: RESCHEDULED TO 2021

From Dominion Command files

Dear Friends and Comrades,

On behalf of our entire Dominion Executive Council (DEC) team, I am sharing The Royal Canadian Legion's decision to reschedule its 2020 Dominion Convention to 2021. This significant decision was inevitable in light of the risks and health recommendations tied to the COVID-19 pandemic. Our priority is to ensure the safety and well-being of all our delegates.

Moving the Convention to next year will not affect the city or venue location. The event will take place in Saskatoon, SK from August 12 to 19, 2021. Venue and planning costs will simply be transferred to cover next year's meeting.

All current business will be moved to the 2021 Convention. In the interim, any decisions on select resolutions pertaining to ongoing issues will be made by our DEC, and we will inform you of any outcomes. Members who hold Dominion elected positions will have their terms extended to 2021.

There should be no direct conflict with Provincial/Territorial Conventions, but Commands will determine what operational changes may be required. We understand this situation may create logistical and other challenges for you, and we apologize for this unfortunate reality.

Thank you for your understanding and ongoing support. We look forward to working with you over the coming year, and seeing you in 2021. Remain safe and well,

Thomas D. Irvine, CD
Dominion President
The Royal Canadian Legion

ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION BRANCHES RALLY FOR VETERANS DURING PANDEMIC

From Dominion Command files

In the spirit of supporting our Veterans and communities — and with a little creativity — volunteers for the Royal Canadian Legion have found ways to continue helping. From virtual meetings to providing food and medical

supplies, Legion Branches are going all out to make things happen.

"Given social distancing and isolation, we knew that connections would be more important than ever and started work on finding a solution, thus Virtual Buddy Check Coffee was born," says Chris Richardson, Co-Founder of Buddy Check Coffee. "So far, it's been fantastic, we get to talk about what's happening, how we're doing, stories from service. Some folks drop by for a few minutes and others hang out for an entire hour. We have been able to connect, share concerns, and also lighten the day."

In Brampton, ON, 20-year Army Veteran Chris Banks and his local Branch Service Officer decided to call up the list of Veterans they normally serve and see how things were going. "Every single Veteran said 'don't worry about me, help the next person,'" says Banks. Knowing they likely did need help, the duo persisted and have delivered supplies like perishables and dry goods.

Members of the Fonthill Legion south of Hamilton, ON, have also been busy creating heat-and-serve meals for seniors. Meatloaf, roast beef, cabbage rolls, pasta, pierogi — a different meal every day. The menu is vast and the demand is great. Volunteers have delivered hundreds of meals. "You go to do deliveries and people are crying because they're so scared and worried," says Branch President Toni McKelvie, who's spending a lot of time in the kitchen and enjoying every minute of it. Five volunteers are making it happen: one delivering packages to doorsteps and the others cooking. "Some people have left thank you cards and money, but there is no charge," says McKelvie. "One way or the other we were going to do this," she adds emphatically.

In Saskatchewan, a Veteran who had just gotten back on his feet ended up out of work because of the COVID-19 pandemic. Legion volunteers answered his call for help, providing grocery cards and food. "We will most likely cover his rent until he gets things squared away with Employment Insurance," explains Chad Wagner, Executive Director of Saskatchewan Command.

In Placentia, NL, a local Branch member is spending extra time in the kitchen. "She stays at home baking, then does up gift packages and leaves them on people's doorsteps," says fellow member Ian Walsh. "Out of hardship comes goodness."

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LADIES AUXILIARY

Submitted by Comrade Anne McArthur, President of the Ladies Auxiliary Branch 270



Hello everyone,
 May has arrived and fortunately the nice weather. I hope that this message finds you and your families well. It has been a very quiet six weeks. However, people are still volunteering to help in other ways. A phone call to see how people are coping, picking up groceries for those who can't make it out and donating to the Coldwater Foodbank for those who need this service. Thank you to each and every one who has done this.

Hopefully in the near future we will be able to meet in person. Elections are usually held at the Ladies Auxiliary May General meeting. As the Branch remains closed we will have to delay this. Those who are standing on the executive at this present time will continue in their roles until we are able to hold elections. Thank you for all your support over the last year. Stay safe and healthy!



LADIES AUXILIARY: MESSAGE FROM THE ZONE

Submitted by Comrade Donna Packer, Deputy Zone Commander

Hello Comrades! I hope you are all well and staying safe in these trying times. Please keep safe and follow the guidelines issued by our health officials. Hope that this will end soon and we can get back to normal. We will get through this together! The following is a summary of future plans and schedules.

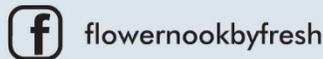
1. Our Spring Zone convention at the end of May has been cancelled. Bracebridge will hold our Fall Convention on October 25, 2020 and our next Spring Convention on Sunday May 30, 2021. Details will be sent out at a later date. No secretary's activity report is needed at this time.
2. The Provincial Convention in September in Kingston has been cancelled and will take place next year September 10-14, 2021 in Kingston. The Ambassador Hotel will automatically re-book rooms for 2021 for us.
3. As elections will not be taking place at this time, the following will occur: All Provincial Command Officers have agreed to keep their positions for the next year. Our Zone E4 Officers will also keep their positions for the next year, i.e. Susan Swinton as Zone Commander, Donna Packer as Deputy Zone Commander, Lorraine Ketch as Secretary, Sharon Dodson as Treasurer and Tammy Maurice as Sports Officer.
4. Branch Auxiliary Officers and Executives are advised to see if they can also keep their positions for the next year. If someone does not wish to do this, the President can appoint someone. If there are any changes, please advise me so I can update our list.
5. Financial Reporting: Financial Statements (Forms 23, 23A, 23B and 23C) for the year June 1, 2019 - May 31, 2020 must be sent to Susan Swinton by June 15, 2020. Audit Form # 25 for that period must be sent to Susan by July 31, 2020.
6. Ticket stubs for the Provincial Convention should be sent as soon as possible to Debbie Olmstead. The draw for these tickets will still take place in September 2020. Debbie's address is 1032 King St. W., Apt 103, Kingston, ON K7M 9G2. There will be no tickets sold for the Provincial Convention in 2021.
7. Kim Adams has taken over the position of Provincial Command Secretary/Treasurer from Gloria Orland. Anything that you would be sending to Gloria should now be sent to Kim. Her address is: Box 978 - 449 Blackwall, Haileybury, ON POJ 1K0
8. Recipes for the Provincial Command cookbook can still be sent to Kathy Putnam by December 31, 2020.
9. Any donations for the Veterans Wish List, Homeless Vets and assessment should be sent to Kim Adams.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to get in touch with Susan or myself.



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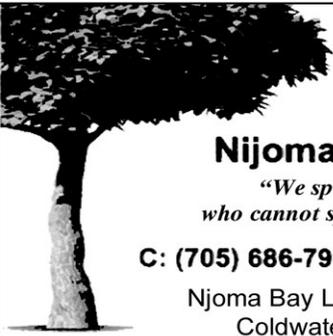
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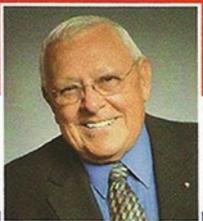
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INTRODUCING THE 270 BISTRO

Submitted by Comrade Rosalie J. Pratt

If you want to catch up with Pamela Planting, operator of The 270 Bistro, you need to set your alarm clock for an early rise.

This dynamic lady is proud to report that she supports and promotes shopping and buying local. Your menu choice is not your typical industrialized version of a meal as she shies away synthetic additives to our foods. Her focus is on providing fresh, made from scratch meals to tantalize the most discerning palate.

Several hours prior to the start of her working day in the kitchen, this multi-tasker has already visited local merchants for her fresh ingredients and has travelled to the wholesaler for her bulk buys. By eleven-thirty in the morning, she's prepped and ready to serve a hungry clientele. She and her part-time staff of two persons finish their work after cleaning and sanitizing for the next day.

Pam's normal days and hours of operation are Tuesday to Thursday from eleven-thirty in the morning to seven in the evening. Fridays and Saturdays she is open for your take-out convenience until eight o'clock at night. At this time, she is keeping track of the number of requests she is receiving for Monday food service.

In addition to operating our Bistro, Pam owns and operates her mobile Country BBQ Catering service and is prepared to provide this service to our Branch on an as needed basis. If you are planning an off-site function, Pam would be delighted to provide you a cost quote.

Pamela is Smart Serve Certified and her assistant chef will soon be certified. In addition, she is keen for The 270 Bistro employees to be included in all future training opportunities offered by the Branch, such as defibrillator and first-aid training.

Once this virus situation is resolved and life regains its normal gait, Pamela may be looking for one or two employees with creative ability, multi-tasking capabilities and an understanding and respect for food handling and kitchen safety. She urges prospective candidates to acquaint themselves with the Provincial Food Handler Training programme offered by the Simcoe Muskoka District Health Unit.



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Everyone is reminded that Sunday May 10th is Mother's Day. The 270 Bistro will open on this day and provide a Mother's Day Take-Out menu (similar to the Easter Meal Deal). So, skip the shopping, preparing, cooking and cleaning up. Choose to place your order early – call 705-955-2704.

A direct quote from this email interview, "The Executive and Members of the Branch have been incredible to work with. Everyone has been very helpful. I would like to see the business name on the board at the road side."

Pam was asked how she felt about this unorthodox e-mail interview (usually it's in person). Pam wrote it is an honour to be asked and the questions preserved her privacy.

Pamela, we wish you every continued success and Welcome to our Branch 270 Family!



The 270 Bistro Take-out Menu



Hamburger	\$6.00
Cheese Burger	\$7.50
Bacon Cheese Burger	\$9.00
Mushroom Swiss Burger	\$9.00
Sausage (Mild or Spicy)	\$5.00
Hot Dog	\$4.00
Corned Beef on Rye	\$7.00
Rueben	\$9.00
Grilled Steak Sandwich with mushrooms & onion	\$10.00
Grilled Chicken Sandwich	\$8.00
Crispy Chicken Caesar Wrap	\$8.50
Buffalo Chicken Wrap	\$8.50
Philly Steak Wrap with peppers, mushrooms, onions & cheese	\$9.50
Chicken Bites & Fries	\$8.00
Wings 1 lb: BBQ, Medium, Hot, Caesar, Spicy Caesar, Salt & Pepper	\$13.00
1 pc Haddock	\$11.00
2 pc Haddock	\$16.00
Ham or Turkey Club	\$8.00
Past & Garlic Bread (Marinara, Bolognese or Alfredo Sauce)	\$10.00
Add Shrimp, Chicken or Meatballs to Pasta	\$4.00
Fresh Cut Fries	\$4.50
Poutine	\$7.00
Fries & Gravy	\$5.50
Battered Mushrooms with chipotle dip	\$5.50
Deep-Fried Pickles with dill dip	\$6.00
Onion Rings with ranch dip	\$5.00
Perogies with bacon & sautéed onion	\$7.00
Salads (Caesar, Greek, Chunky Garden or Spinach & Berry)	\$5.00 - \$6.00
Add Chicken to Salad	\$4.00
Add fries to any order	\$2.50
Upgrade to Onion Rings, Poutine or Salad	\$3.00 - \$5.00
Add Gravy	\$1.00

**** Prices may be subject to change based on market pricing.**

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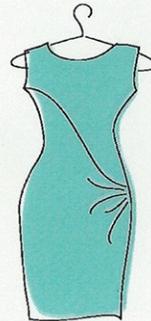
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SPORTS AT BRANCH 270

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Due to the ongoing issues with COVID - 19 a decision had to be made to CANCEL all 2020 Provincial Sports events that had not yet been played.
 For the 2020 Provincial Sports year, the Branch that was scheduled to host the event that was cancelled will be the host Branch for 2021 Sports year.
 Please look on the Ontario Command website for the 2021- 2022 Provincial Sports Calendar as well as the copy below.
 Looking forward to seeing everyone again when we can get back to normal and to enjoying the fun and social enjoyment our Sports Program provides.

Stay Healthy & Safe.

Walter Stevens
 Provincial Sports Chairman

**PROVINCIAL SPORTS
 CALENDAR 2021 & 2022**

EVENTS	2021	HOSTS	DIST.	WINNER/HOST	2022
CRIBBAGE	March 6th	Br. 50 Kitchener	C		March 5th
SNOOKER	March 13th	Br. 266/46 Maple Leaf	D		March 12th
DARTS	March 20th	Br. 532 New Hamburg	C		March 19th
8-BALL	March 27th	Br. 163 Mount Hamilton	B		March 26th
SENIORS	April 10th	Br. 82 Port Credit	B		April 9th
YOUTH DARTS	April 24th	Br. 73 Oakridge	D	District E	April 23rd
EUCHRE	May 1st	Br. 421 Beeton	E		May 7th
SHUFFLEBOARD	May 29th	Br. 412 Kitchener	C		May 28th
MIXED DARTS	June 5th	Br. 99 Belleville	F		June 4th
HORSESHOES	August 7th	Br. 472 Hawkesbury	G		August 6th
WASHER TOSS	August 28th	Br. 272 Hespeler	C		August 27th
GOLF	Sept 11th	Br. 259 Listowel	C		Sept 10th

2021 DOMINION SPORTS DATES

EVENT	HOST	PROV.	DATE
CRIBBAGE	Br. 15 Cochrane	AB	Apr. 23 – Apr. 26, 2021
DARTS	Br. 4 Chilliwack	BC	Apr. 30 - May 3, 2021
Eight Ball	Br. 104 Innisfail	AB	May 28 – May 31, 2021

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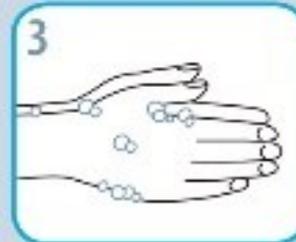
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1 Wet hands with warm water.



2 Apply soap.



3 Lather soap and rub hands palm to palm.



4 Rub in between and around fingers.

Lather hands for 15 seconds



5 Rub back of each hand with palm of other hand.



6 Rub fingertips of each hand in opposite palm.



7 Rub each thumb clasped in opposite hand.



8 Rinse thoroughly under running water.



9 Pat hands dry with paper towel.



10 Turn off water using paper towel.



11 Your hands are now safe.



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