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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Donna Kuehl

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May 18th is the official birthday of Wing 404. On that day in 1949 we received our Charter. Wally Caughell is the only surviving Charter Member. We have a special guest at our May 7th General Meeting. Come early at 5:30 pm and see a presentation about the Flag of Canada quilt that Carol Totzke, our Ladies Auxiliary President, helped to quilt. This is also nomination night for next year's Wing Executive, so please consider standing for election and ways that you can contribute to the well-being of our Wing.



Hits of the Blitz, on May 8th by the Rockway Entertainers is a benefit show for our Wing. Tickets

are \$10. Come out and support your wing.

On March 21st, Vic Snowden and I attended the Spring Conference meeting for Western Region RCAFA

in Sarnia. We have four Wings in the Region and each President submits a report on membership and Wing activities.

Congratulations to Peter Sumlick for coordinating the roster of speakers for the Silver Outreach Talk Series. We had 3 excellent sessions in February, March and April on cyber fraud, fire prevention and downsizing respectively. The presentation on downsizing had an excellent crowd in attendance – thanks to all who promoted the event and attended. There was information about selling your home and the merits of “staging”, holding an open house vs. viewing by appointment, purchasing a house or condo and a few thoughts on buying or renting.

Our Ladies Auxiliary planned and conducted a very successful Card Party in April. Congratulations to them, and to Ken Gawthorn (KVA) Unit 52, a regular visitor to Friday Lunches at the Wing, who is pictured on the Veterans Affairs website receiving the Minister of Veterans Affairs Commendation. Well deserved for a great guy. <http://www.veterans.gc.ca/eng/about-us/departments-officials/minister/commendation/bio/1062>.

ANNOUNCEMENT

Harvey Fry

Nominations for the Wing executive council will take place at the May general meeting on Thursday May 7, 2015. All officers positions and two directors positions will be open for nominations at this time. If you are interested in any of these positions please come out to the meeting. If you can't make it to the meeting but you are interested in a position, please let me know and I will make sure you will be nominated. Wing elections will occur at the June 4th general meeting.

GENERAL MEETING NOTICE

**Monthly meeting will be held Thursday, May 7nd, 2015.
Meet & Greet 5 pm, Dinner at 6 pm, Meeting at 7:15 pm.
Please reserve dinner tickets early.**



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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE - CON'T

Donna Kuehl

A Few Reminders . . . Don't forget to support our Air Cadet Squadron by donating any empty alcohol bottles for their bottle drive; just bring them to the Wing and members of the Sponsorship Committee will collect and return them. It's not too late to register for the 66th Ontario Group Annual General Meeting in Belleville (May 15 – 17); it would be great to have a group K-W members at the convention. Wing members are invited to march (blues/greys & wedge caps) in the Battle of the Atlantic Parade, hosted by the KWNA on May 3rd.

Air Force Facts



On March 13, 2013, the Governor General of Canada, His Excellency the Right Honourable David Johnston, approved a new badge for the Royal Canadian Air Force. The badge was unveiled in Ottawa on September 15, 2013, following the national ceremony marking the 73rd anniversary of the Battle of Britain. This new badge replaces the Air Command badge, and their motto *Per Ardua Ad Astra*, was replaced by *Sic Itur Ad Astra* – “such is the pathway to the stars”, the motto that was first granted to the Canadian Air Force when it was formed in 1920. *Sic Itur Ad Astra* recalls the very earliest days of the establishment of a national air force.

Notice of Annual Meeting

All Regular and Associate Members of 404 K-W Royal Canadian Air Force Association are hereby given notice of the Annual General Meeting to be held at the Wing Quarters at 510 Dutton Drive, in the City of Waterloo, Ontario on 04 June 2015, at 19:15 hours for the purpose of:

The Election of Wing Executive and Directors, and any other issues or motions that may be rightly brought before this Meeting, in accordance with the By-Laws and Regulations of the Association and of the Wing. Notice is hereby given this 1st day of May 2015 in the City of Waterloo, Ontario.

Donna Kuehl, President

Kristen Dippel, Secretary

VE DAY - LINSEMAN FAMILY



As we remember the 70th Anniversary of the Victory in Europe (VE Day), we think of the men and women who served in our armed forces and their families. Here is a photograph of the Linseman family taken in the Fall of 1945 in Kitchener, showing the father, Vincent Linseman, with his six sons. Vincent served in WWI, and the three sons in the back row were in the army during WWII until the end of the war; one served in the Highland Light Infantry and another was a dispatch rider. Two younger brothers were in Air Cadets at that time; Laird, also known as Larry, was a member of the 404 Wing in later years; the other, Earl, joined the navy after the war. Donald, a child at the time, was in a make-believe uniform. He vividly remembers the family practicing blackouts in his Kitchener home and the thrill of meeting his older brother when he came home from the war, walking down the street from the train station. The family was musical, Larry sang at the

404 Wing years ago, and Don recently entertained our Ladies Auxiliary this past February. Don sings with the Rockway Entertainers who are presenting a concert for the Wing on May 8th.

Back row: Howard, Cecil, Wilfrid; Centre Row; Laird (aka Larry), Vincent (father); Earl; Front Row: Donald

LADIES AUXILIARY

Carol Totzke

The grass is green and the flowers are starting to bud. It sure looks like Spring has arrived.

For those who have not heard, Terry Bruce is having some health problems, but she is getting treatment and we hope she will be back soon, so keep her in your thoughts and prayers.

I am extending an invitation to the ladies to attend the Wing monthly dinner meeting on **May 7th**. We will be showing a video of the making of OUR FLAG, which is 50 years old this year. We will also have a flag quilt on display, made by some of St. Marks Lutheran Church women.

The video will be shown **at 5:30**. Don't forget to make a reservation for dinner.

Nominations will be at the Ladies Auxiliary May meeting on the 20th. Please say yes if you are asked to be on the executive or to be a director.

June 17th is the Ladies Auxiliary Barbeque. Keep the date open. More on this event in the next Wing Ding.

Just a reminder that the Cadets are collecting empty bottles and cans as a fund raiser. You can bring them to the Wing.

Last Friday lunch will be **May 8th**, and we will be starting again **on Sept. 25th**.

Sunday June 7th is Breakfast Sunday.

This is the last chance for a great breakfast at the Wing before cottage season. Bring your family and friends.



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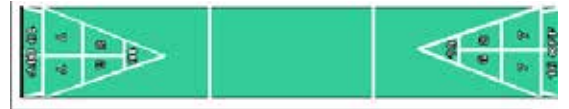
UPCOMING PARADES & SERVICES

The K-W Naval Association is hosting the Battle of Atlantic Parade on Sunday, May 3, 2015 at the Waterloo Cenotaph. Form-up is 10:15 am at Waterloo City Hall Parking Lot; March-Off at 10:30 am to the Cenotaph; start of service at 11:00 am.



EUCHRE & SHUFFLEBOARD

EUCHRE and SHUFFLEBOARD will return in September. Have a great summer.



ENTERTAINMENT

BENEFIT PERFORMANCE

for 404 K-W WING \$10

404 K-W Wing
Royal Canadian Air Force Association
presents
"Hits of the Blitz"
with Rockway Entertainers

Songs of
World War 2

Friday May 8th 2015 at 7 pm
ADMISSION—\$10.00 per person
Children under 12 Free
at 404 K-W Wing
Royal Canadian Air Force Association
510 Dutton Drive, Waterloo, ON

For Tickets Call 519-884-1272

MAYOR'S DINNER September 11th



The 7th Annual Mayor's Dinner & Silent Auction at the 404 K-W Wing. Tickets \$50.

LADIES AUXILIARY BBQ

Carol Totzke



DATE - Wednesday, June 17th, 2014

TIME - 6:00 p.m.

COST - \$8.00

--- Tickets available at the Wing ---

EVERYONE WELCOME -

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Entertainment

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FRIDAY LUNCHES



Great Lunches are here on Friday May 1st and May 8th from 11:30 - 1:00 pm. The Ladies will be happy to see and serve you once again. Lunches will be ending for the season and will be back on September 25th. Have a great summer.



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ENTERTAINMENT

May 8th is the 70th Anniversary of the Victory in Europe for WWII. *The Hits of the Blitz*, a VE Day concert, is a benefit show for our Wing. The Rockway Entertainers, a local senior choral group, are putting on a great show for us. Please buy your tickets early.

AIR CADETS - FUNDRAISER

The #530 Air Cadet Squadron is continuing their bottle drive to collect empty bottles (beer, wine, liquor, etc.) that can be returned to the Beer Store for money. Members and friends can donate their empty bottles. Just bring them to the Wing. Thanks for helping our cadets.

BID EUCHRE

by Carol & Keith Norris

We will start again in September. Have a great summer.




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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
COMING EVENTS						
June 7th	Sunday Breakfast				Friday Lunch 11:30 to 1 pm	Pub Day 2 - 5 pm
June 17th	Ladies BBQ				Singles Selective 7:30 pm	
June 28th	Veterans Council Annual Picnic					
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
CLOSED	CLOSED	Sit & Be Fit 10 - 11 am	"Just Us" Jamming 7 pm	General Dinner Mtg. 6 pm Mtg 7:15 pm	Friday Lunch 11:30 to 1 pm Hits of the Blitz 7 pm Singles Selective 7:30 pm	Pub Day 2 pm
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
CLOSED	CLOSED	Sit & Be Fit 10 - 11 am Optimist Exec Mtg 7 pm	"Just Us" Jamming 7pm	CLOSED	Singles Selective (Large Hall) 7:30 pm	Pub Day 2 - 5 pm
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
CLOSED	CLOSED Victoria Day	CLOSED	Ladies Exec Mtg. 1 pm Aux Mtg 2pm "Just Us" Jamming 7 pm	CLOSED	Singles Selective 7:30 pm	Pub Day 2 - 5 pm
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
CLOSED	Old Salts 2- 4:00 pm	CLOSED	"Just Us" Jamming 7 pm	CLOSED	Singles Selective 7:30 pm	Pub Day 2 - 5 pm
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CLOSED	Optimist Dinner 6 pm					



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MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Donna Kuehl

MEMBERSHIP REPORT: Donna Kuehl

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