

July–August 2019 Edition



# WING DRIFT

## 447 (City of Hamilton) Wing

### Facility - Available for Rent

This includes three rooms, a bar, food service (catering) and lots of parking. This facility is adequate for business meetings, small weddings, family gatherings, holiday events, musical concerts or any type of event you may wish to hold at the Wing.

**For rental information  
and rates, contact  
Bev Cuffe  
289.280.0157**

### Save the Date!

#### **Catch the Ace Tickets**

*on sale Wednesday—Tuesday  
until 7 pm on the day of the draw  
DRAWS are every Tuesday at  
7:30 pm*

August 24th Corn Roast/Bake Sale  
August 31st Meat Draw  
September 16th—Spaghetti Dinner

#### **Submissions for the Wing Drift**

This is your Wing! We would love to hear from you!  
Please submit your suggestions, articles, fun stuff,  
photos, little tid bits or upcoming events to  
Yvette Spencer ymcgillivray@gmail.com

## OUR CONTINUED THANKS

### Donations

Our sincere thanks and gratitude to our members and non-members who continually donate their time, cash and prizes for our many draws, Special Events and Meat Draws.

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## Message from the Chairman

As quickly as this Summer has come and (almost) gone, so has the Executive team under Jim Hooton's leadership. I would like to thank Jim for his Years' of Service both as a President and Vice-President of the 447 Wing RCAFA. It has been an honour working as part of his Executive.

July 2019 brings in a brand new team under a new philosophy of governing the RCAFA. All RCAFA Wings are slowly transitioning over to follow the Federal Not-for-Profit Act of governing. The 'Executive' is now called a "Board of Directors". Gone are the titles of "President", "First Vice-President" and "Second Vice-President", replaced with: "Chairperson (Chairman or Chairwoman)" and "Vice-Chair". The Treasurer and Secretary positions still exist as well as the various Departmental area positions for the remaining Directors.

My name is Michael Cuffe. I am your newly-elected Chairperson of the New 447 Wing Board of Directors. Your new (14-member) Board has some fresh new faces; all will have some interesting work ahead of them. We have several projects in work, for example "Catch the Ace" (running well with a growing jackpot) and several future projects that we hope to implement and be beneficial to the Wing.

As it has been said repeatedly...the summer months (July & August) are a slow time at the Wing. A lot of our friends go away to their Summer vacation places. Those who have stayed around have enjoyed some fun activities to keep up the interest; the Burger Bash, the Grand River Boat Cruise and our Corn Roast.

Starting the 1<sup>st</sup> Friday after the Labour Day Weekend, our Entertainment schedule ramps up again. There are a couple new bands joining us this season, but we do have your favourite bands returning as well. Please check the Events Calendar (front entrance poster board) or the mini-schedules on the dining room tables to see what coming up; plan for those days & nights.

Our Monthly Wing Meetings are held on the last Saturday of each month, beginning September 28<sup>th</sup>. I encourage ALL (members & non-members) to attend the Monthly meetings. Come out and support your new Board of Directors. Come see and hear what is happening at Your Wing. Following the meetings, as always, is our monthly Meat Draw.

We are an actively busy Wing. If we want to continue, we need to attract new friends. We need to grow; we need to keep that drive going. Your Board of Directors is a dedicated group of Individuals who are ready to keep the 'drive alive', but we need your input as well. What more would you like from your Board of Directors? Tell us! We will see what can be done to make it happen.

Until we see you in September, do enjoy the rest of the Summer.

Respectfully Yours,

Michael Cuffe  
Chairman, 447 Wing RCAFA

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## **Dear Korean War Veterans, family members and friends,**

On July 28th, 2019, The Korea Veterans Association of Canada Unit 26, Hamilton and Burloak Naval Veterans Association organized “The RCN Korean War Naval Veterans Commemorative Ceremony” at Spencer Smith Park in Burlington, Ontario, Canada to honour and remember the 8 Canadian Destroyers that served in the Korean War and UN Peace Keeping Mission and the 9 Sailors who were killed. As their names are read out loud, the bell was rung. We Will Remember Them.

At the luncheon reception, there were over 120 guests including Korean War Veterans and their family members. Our special guests were Hon. Karina Gould, Ministry of Democratic Institution and M.P. Burlington, Hon. Yonah Martin, Senator, Deputy Consul General Hyejeong Ahn, Burlington City Councillor, Shawna Stolte, Defence Attache Keunsik Moon and Cdr. Glen Woolfrey.

Karina Gould, Minister of Democratic Institution, M.P. Burlington, Hon. Yonah Martin, Senator, Deputy Consul General Hyejeong Ahn and Cdr, Glen Woolfrey delivered their heart-felt speeches to the Korean War Veterans and their family members. Charles Quinn, son of Lt. Commander John Quinn travelled from Minnesota, U.S. and he laid the wreath with Ross Barr (1952) and Michael Bladon (1954) that served on HMCS (Her Majesty's Canadian Ship) Iroquois.

The Luncheon reception was held at the Halton Naval Veterans Association in Burlington. The Ambassador for Peace Medals were presented to Russ Matthews, who served on HMCS Nootka, Joseph Arsenault who served on HMCS Haida, Elburne Baikie, who served on Iroquois and killed in Action on October 2, 1952 (Posthumously).

The Ambassador for Peace Medals were presented by Deputy Consul General Hyejeong Ahn, Defence Attaché Keunsik Moon and HooJung Jones Kennedy, Korea Veterans Association of Canada Unit 26, Hamilton Project Director.

Consul General Tae In-Chung sent his greeting letter stating that ***“The people of Korea are deeply grateful to all of Canada’s Korean War Veterans, whose brave service and sacrifices laid the foundation for the free and prosperous country Korea is today, and helped restore Korea’s national identity and culture. Their courage and contributions to freedom and democracy will never be forgotten”.***

Appreciation certificates were presented to Hon. Yonah Martin, Senator, Deputy Consul General Hyejeong Ahn, City of Burlington and Halton Naval Veterans Association for their outstanding contribution to Honour and Remember Korean War Veterans by Andy Barber, Secretary of KVA Unit 26 and HooJung Jones Kennedy.

Toronto Males Singers sang the “Korean National Anthem” beautifully at the ceremony and sang other songs including “Arirang”. The Korean War Movie “Operation Chromite” directed by John Lee was played after the luncheon.

HooJung and (Major) Don Kennedy presented “Korea Reborn” books that they brought back from U.S. to Canada to the Korean War Veterans and family members.

Korea Reborn book is not printed in Canada and it is not for sale. They also gave the education USB, “Canada Remember Korean War” from the Veterans Affairs of Canada and maple cookies as gifts. Deputy Consul General Hyejeong Ahn brought the Korean Ginseng tea and Korea-Canada pin as gifts for the Korean War Veterans and family members.

Veterans Affairs of Canada brought the “Boot”pins for the Korean War Veterans and family members.

The Luncheon Reception was sponsored by the Consulate General of the Republic of Korea in Toronto, and the delicious Korean Chicken Luncheon was prepared by Fig and Olive catering chef, Doug

Once again, we send our deepest appreciation to Korean War Veterans and their family members and all who helped to organize the “The RCN Korean War Naval Veterans Commemorative Ceremony”.

HooJung Jones Kennedy and Major (Don) Kennedy  
Korea Veterans Association of Canada Unit 26, Hamilton  
Project and Fundraising Director and Hon. Member

## Event Photos by Elizabeth Daley





**RCN Korean War Naval Veterans Commemorative Ceremony**  
**한국전 캐나다 해군 추모 기념 행사**

**Sunday, July 28, 2019 10:30 A.M.** 2019년 7월 28일 일요일 10시 30분  
**The Canadian Naval Ship Monument, Spencer Smith Park Burlington**  
캐나다 해군 기념비 공원, 스펜서 스미스 파크 버링턴

**Luncheon Reception & Movie / 감사 오찬 및 영화 상영**  
**Sunday, July 28, 2019 12:00 Noon** 2019년 7월 28일 일요일 오후 12시  
**Halton Naval Veterans Association 2444 Industrial St. Burlington** 할턴 해군 회관 빌딩



**Korea Veterans Association of Canada Unit 26, Hamilton** 캐나다 한국전 참전용사회 26  
**BurlOak Naval Veterans Association, City of Burlington** 합천: 벌록 해군용사회, 벌청턴시  
**Luncheon Sponsor: Toronto Consulate General of Korea** 후원: 토론토 총영사관

**Please RSVP by July 20 to HooJung Jones Kennedy, Project Coordinator KVA Unit 26**  
감후정 캐나다 참전용사회 후원단장님 프로젝트 이사 **email: [hijones@bell.net](mailto:hijones@bell.net) or call 905.769.0486**

# “Operation Chromite”

(English Version)

## “인천상륙작전”

(영어 버전)

Royal Canadian Navy 8 Destroyers Sighted during the Korean War and UN/Pan-Keeung Mission 1950-1954

LIAM NEESON

DIRECTED BY JOHN H. LEE

# OPERATION CHROMITE

A TRUE STORY OF LINGERING UNRESOLVED QUESTIONS FROM THE TIDE OF THE KOREAN WAR

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HMCS Athabaskan (HMS 115) 30th Anniversary  
DOE 219 (1950 - 1952)

HMCS Cormag (HMS 127) 30th Anniversary  
DOE 208 (1950 - 1954)

HMCS Gower (HMS 120)  
DOE 225 (1950 - 1955)

HMCS Huron (HMS 121)  
DOE 213 (1950 - 1954)

HMCS Ingham (HMS 123) 30th Anniversary  
DOE 217 (1952 - 1954)

HMCS Marston (HMS 124) 30th Anniversary  
DOE 216 (1952 - 1954)

HMCS Nevers (HMS 125) 30th Anniversary  
DOE 228 (1952 - 1954)

HMCS Vancouver (HMS 126) 30th Anniversary  
DOE 215 (1952 - 1954)



The Wing is open to the public, come join us!

## CORN ROAST/BAKE SALE

Saturday, August 24, 2019

1 – 5 pm

**Saugage on a bun  
Corn on the Cob**

***Corn donated by***



**Entertainment by  
Ted Bertin**



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**SPAGHETTI and MEATBALL DINNER**  
*(includes garden salad, garlic bread and dessert)*



**Monday, September 16, 2019**

**4 – 8 pm**

**\$10.00 adult**  
**\$5.00 per child (ages 3 – 10)**

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## **Upcoming Events Calendar**

<b>Date: 2019</b>	<b>Entertainment</b>	<b>Genre</b>	<b>Meetings</b>	<b>Event</b>	<b>Time</b>
<b>August 20<sup>th</sup></b>	Naomi and Friends	Open Mic			7 pm
<b>August 24<sup>th</sup></b>	Ted Bertin & His Steel Guitar			Corn Roast / Bake Sale	1-5 pm
<b>August 31<sup>st</sup></b>				Meat Draw	3 pm
<b>September 3<sup>rd</sup></b>	Naomi and Friends	Open Mic			7 pm
<b>September 6<sup>th</sup></b>	The Bluze Cruze	R&B / R&R			7 pm
<b>September 13<sup>th</sup></b>	Johnny Guitar	Variety			7 pm
<b>September 16<sup>th</sup></b>				Spaghetti Dinner	4-8 pm
<b>September 17<sup>th</sup></b>	Naomi and Friends	Open Mic			7 pm
<b>September 20<sup>th</sup></b>	Young's Creek				7 pm
<b>September 27<sup>th</sup></b>	Reflections Band	Variety			7 pm
<b>September 28<sup>th</sup></b>			General Meeting		1 pm
<b>September 28<sup>th</sup></b>				Meat Draw	3 pm

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<b>September 28<sup>th</sup></b>			General Meeting		1 pm
<b>September 28<sup>th</sup></b>				Meat Draw	3 pm
<b>October 1<sup>st</sup></b>	Naomi and Friends	Open Mic			7 pm
<b>October 5<sup>th</sup></b>	Rhyme & Reason	Bluegrass			2 pm
<b>October 11<sup>th</sup></b>	Mark Gunn	Variety			7 pm
<b>October 15<sup>th</sup></b>	Naomi and Friends	Open Mic			7 pm
<b>October 18<sup>th</sup></b>	Relative Motion	Variety			7 pm
<b>October 19<sup>th</sup></b>	Robert Skwirut DJ	Country		Pub Night	7pm
<b>October 25<sup>th</sup></b>	Mark Laforme	Variety			7 pm
<b>October 26<sup>th</sup></b>			General Meeting		1 pm
<b>October 26<sup>th</sup></b>				Meat Draw	3 pm
<b>October 29<sup>th</sup></b>	Naomi and Friends	Open Mic			7 pm
<b>Date: 2019</b>	<b>Entertainment</b>	<b>Genre</b>	<b>Meetings</b>	<b>Event</b>	<b>Time</b>
<b>November 1<sup>st</sup></b>	The Dubay Band	Classic Rock			7 pm
<b>November 8<sup>th</sup></b>	The Rockets	Classic Rock			7 pm
<b>November 12<sup>th</sup></b>	Naomi and Friends	Open Mic			7 pm
<b>November 15<sup>th</sup></b>	Joe's Garage Band	Classic Rock			7:30pm
<b>November 18<sup>th</sup></b>				Ham & Scallop Dinner	4-8 pm
<b>November 22<sup>nd</sup></b>	The Reflections	Variety			7 pm
<b>November 26<sup>th</sup></b>	Naomi and Friends	Open Mic			7 pm
<b>November 29<sup>th</sup></b>	Blue Diamond Band	Rock & Roll			7 pm
<b>November 30<sup>th</sup></b>			General Meeting		1 pm
<b>November 30<sup>th</sup></b>				Meat Draw	3 pm

<b>Date: 2019</b>	<b>Entertainment</b>	<b>Genre</b>	<b>Meetings</b>	<b>Event</b>	<b>Time</b>
<b>December 6<sup>th</sup></b>				Ham & Turkey Draw	6 pm
<b>December 10<sup>h</sup></b>	Naomi and Friends	Open Mic			7 pm
<b>December 14<sup>th</sup></b>				Breakfast with Santa	10-12 pm
<b>December 21<sup>st</sup></b>				Aggie's Baskets	4-5 pm
<b>December 31<sup>st</sup></b>	The Sounds of Robert Skwirut DJ			NEW YEARS' EVE DINNER PARTY	7 pm - 1 am
<b>Date: 2020</b>	<b>Entertainment</b>	<b>Genre</b>	<b>Meetings</b>	<b>Event</b>	<b>Time</b>
<b>January 1<sup>st</sup></b>				New Years' Day Levy	12-3 pm
<b>January 25<sup>th</sup></b>			General Meeting		1 pm
<b>January 25<sup>th</sup></b>				Meat Draw	3 pm
<b>January 25<sup>th</sup></b>	TBD	Scottish Celtic		Robert Burns' Dinner	7 pm

**Past Presidents**

Aiden Finn CD	(1983)
Gord Rowland	(1995—1998)
Judy Brown	(2000, 2008)
6 Presidents served during	(2003 & 2005)
Bill Grahlman CD	(2008-2017)
Jim Hooton CD	(2017-2019)
	
Bill Whiteside	(1962)
Russ Newton	(1963, 81,91)
Jim Robbins CD	(1964-65)
Carl Whaley CMCD	(1966)
Sterling McAllister CD	(1967)
Doug Thornewell	(1968)
Ken Lenz	(1969, 1975)
Bill Carey	(1970)
Innes Anderson	(1971)
Sid George	(1972)
Ken Read	(1973)
Bob Hayes	(1974)
Bill Thompson	(1976)
Rob Gillies	(1977)
Nels Smith CD	(1978, 1984)
Jack Lightfoot	(1979)
Scott Lumsden	(1980)
Syd Buckles	(1982)
Alex Barrett DFC	(1985)
Clare Hansen	(1986, 1994)
Harry Rasmussen	(1988-89)
Bob Hide	(1990)
Bill Ryckman	(1992-93)
Arthur Young	(2004,2006)
Harry VanZeben	(1997-99, 2001-02)
Frank A. Begley	(2007)

# ***IN MEMORIAM***



***Gordon Murchie - March 2019***

***Bette Bauer - March 2019***

***Phil Lawson - April 2019***

***Doug Priestley - June 2019***

***Russell David McCrory - August 2019***

***Owen Williams - August 2019***



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