

"THE GEN"

Newsletter of 416 (AVM Godfrey) Wing,

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Board Chair's Message – January 2024

As this is my first message of 2024, I would like to extend best wishes to all Wing members for a happy new year. This month has been somewhat of a slow month at the Wing especially since we had to cancel the Euchre Tournament due to bad weather and an uptick of those getting the flu or Covid. However, the Euchre Tournament and Chilifest has been rescheduled to 25 Feb. This will give those of you who made a chili for the cancelled event a chance to improve upon their first try. As, before, please sign up for the Euchre Tournament and Chilifest on the sign-up sheets at the bar (please sign-up again even if you did sign up before). We did manage to get in our semi-annual general meeting this month and I would like to thank all that took the time to come out and support your Wing at the meeting. As discussed at the general meeting, I would like to extend a thank you to Mary Andrews and Daryl Parkingson for conducting the 22/23 Wing financial review. The Wing finances were found to be in good order with no discrepancies. Although January at the Wing might have been slow, things are going to heat up in February with a country music themed night on Saturday 17 February featuring the Saggy Bottom Boyz as the musical guest. This should be a fun night and I hope to see you all there dressed in your best country and western duds. Tickets will be available at the Wing bar this weekend. For only \$20 you get to have a meal and dance to a live band playing your favourite country tones. Please see the poster in this Gen for more info.

Hopefully most of you saw my email regarding the launch of the fundraising effort for the RCAFA Memorial Cairn to be installed at the National Air Force Museum in Trenton. I hope you will consider donating to this project that will commemorate the efforts of the RCFA, particularly Ontario Group. Those that do contribute will receive a charity tax receipt.

Finally, winter can be a little bit of a down period for many people as we tend to hole up inside our houses and wait for the days to get longer and warm up. If you find yourself experiencing the winter blues, a good cure is to come on down to the Wing and enjoy some comradery, entertaining conversation and maybe even a game of euchre with your fellow Wing members. The Wing is open Friday, Saturday and Sunday afternoons featuring Kingston cheapest bar prices.

Larry Paziuk Board Chair

NOTICE: If anyone has any interesting articles or items that you would like to see in the Gen, please submit them to <u>416wingpresident@outlook.com</u>. Maybe some historical Wing photos would be nice to see.

Remembering the Ladies OBs

I was recently cleaning out an old box of papers and came across a collection of recipes that we started to assemble many years ago with the intention of making a Ladies OBs cookbook. As with many good ideas, this one fell by the wayside. I did find one recipe that in the tradition of the Ladies OBs and joke telling, I thought would bring a smile to our faces.

Mary Andrews Elephant Stew Ingredients: 1 Elephant Salt and Pepper Brown gravy 2 Rabbits(Optional) Instructions:

Cut Elephant into bite size pieces. This should take about 2 months.

Cover with brown gravy and cook over Kerosene fire for about 4 weeks at 465oF,

This will serve 3800 people. If more are expected, 2 rabbits maybe added, but do this only if necessary as most people do no want hare in their stew.

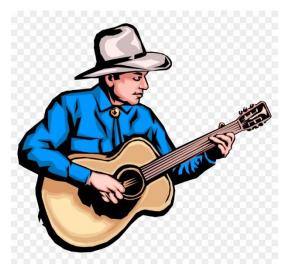
Submitted by Ann Onymus

Monte Carlo 2024

Once again, Monte Carlo Night will be held on April 27. In preparation for this annual fundraising event, we need to collect items to use to make up basket prizes as well as items that would be suitable for the silent auction table. These can be gently used or new items. You can leave your donation at the Wing. Please leave them in bag or box with my name on it. If you have questions about anything you wish to donate please contact me at 613-389-0919

Thanks in advance

Mary Andrews





Country Music Night At the Wing

With special musical guests:

The Saggy Bottom Boyz

Meal feature: Pulled pork sandwiches and baked beans

When: 17 Feb 2024, 6:00 PM for dinner, 7 pm for dance

Where: 416 Wing Clubhouse (200 Hampton Gray Gate, Kingston airport)

Cost: \$20 with meal \$10 dance only





Feb 25, 2024



416 Wing Clubhouse 200 Hampton Gray Gate

Doors open 12:00 pm Registration 12:30 pm

Games start 1:00 pm Chili Tasting 3:30 pm

Entry Fee: \$15 (Free for first 10 entries that register with a chili)

Prizes for winning tournament and best chili

Register on sign-up sheet at Wing bar or contact Larry Paziuk -613-546-9109 or email <u>416WingPresident@outlook.com</u>

Ontario Group Funded RCAFA Memorial Cairn



Scale: 1:8 (12.5:800)

Above is the design for the proposed RCAFA memorial cairn. Donations can be made on-line through the following website: <u>https://www.canadahelps.org/en/charities/royal-canadian-air-force-association-trust/p2p/rcafa_memorial_nafmoctrenton</u>, or you can mail a cheque payable to the "RCAF Association Trust Fund, to The office of the RCAF Association Trust Fund located at 222 Somerset St. West, Suite 405, Ottawa, ON, K2P 2G3. If mailing a cheque, please ensure you write "RCAF Association Cairn" on the memo-line of the cheque (bottom left hand corner of every cheque). Those donating more than \$20 will receive a charitable tax receipt if you use either of the two donation methods above.

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- 1 Jan New Year's Day Levee (2 pm)
- 17 Feb Country Night at the Wing
- 19 Feb Silver Wing Luncheon
- 25 Feb Euchre Tournament and Chilifest
- 16 Mar St Patrick's Day Party
- 27 Apr Monte Carlo Night
- 17 19 May Ontario Group Conference (Trenton)
- 24 May RCAF 100th Anniversary Dinner