



The Post Messenger

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Commander's Message



February was sure a fun month around the Post. I know a lot of members had fun with all the activities that were put on by the Post. The Valentines and Leap Year Dances were both a huge success and a lot of fun. I want to thank all those that decorated, prepared the meals, and made these events what they were. Please take the time to look at your monthly calendars for upcoming events and try to attend. In March we are having our St. Patrick's Day celebration with a live Irish band. Try to attend and have some fun.

I want to thank all members who have renewed their memberships this past month. All organizations are close to obtaining 100%. I know I have said it many times in the past but membership is the key to a successful Post. I ask that you please come by the Post and renew your membership as soon as you can.

We have now picked our Contractor for the New Post Building. We are now going through the process of obtaining the loan for the project. If there was anytime that we needed your help it is now. Please do what you can to help in any way you can to our Building Fund. There are many things that we are going to do ourselves that will not be part of the loan. We will need additional dollars to cover those costs. We need your help. Our Fund Raising Committee is hard at work seeking funds from all different sources but we still need your help. It will be your new Post and a place you can be proud of.

This month I would like to name Don Calese as our Member of the Month. Don graciously donated the new bar stools we have at the Post. It's members like Don that really make a difference at Post 318. Don, thank you.

Commander
Daryl Bowie

First Vice Commander

Fellow Legionnaires,

As of this printing, Valentine's Day has passed. My wife and I had a wonderful time at the Valentine's Day dinner dance at the post. If you didn't attend, you missed a great time. Many thanks to Brenda and her crew for beautifully decorated tables and all decorations. They did a wonderful job.

Getting back to membership, we have achieved 6 out of 7 goals, including the March 7th goal, which is 90%. We are now at 92.62%, which is fantastic. Thanks to all members who have paid their dues, plus new members, and transfer-ins. It's no wonder our Post is the largest in our District. Our next goal is for 95% for March 7th. We need 21 members to obtain that goal and 44 members to reach our goal of 100% by May 23rd.

Please remember for those of you, who haven't renewed your membership, you will no longer have Canteen privileges. All you need to do is ring the bell to come in. At that time the bartender will check your card and you can pay your 2012 dues at that time and you will be issued a new keycard.

Again, thank you to all of you who have paid your dues. It makes my job so much easier.

Maurice "Babe" Garneau
1st Vice Commander

