

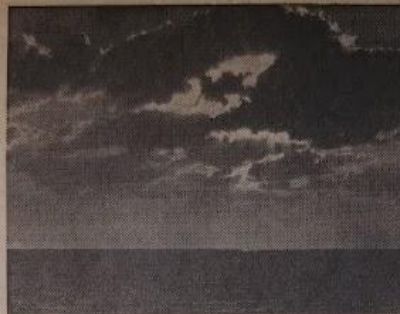
THE BRANDON LEGIONNAIRE



Branch 003, Brandon, MB

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REMEMBRANCE DAY 1964



Set well their names
Athwart the place of stars,
Above the seas that wash the
Shores they knew, for
Life was theirs, and dusk
And shining dawns
...and we remember



EATON'S OF CANADA

STORE CLOSED WEDNESDAY, REMEMBRANCE DAY



Lest We Forget

**They shall grow not old,
as we that are left grow
old.**

**Age shall not weary them,
nor the years condemn.
At the going down of the
sun,
and in the morning,
We will remember them.**

We Will Remember Them


Brandon Legion
'Jack' Hamilton
Archival Project

Please Note

All archival material used in this Legionnaire Newsletter, previously and into the future was, is and will be from the Royal Canadian Legion Branch No. 3 Archival Collection preserved by Comrade Jack Hamilton. All of the newspaper clipping and pictures were and will be taken from the **Brandon Sun**. A special thank you for their fine coverage of Legion events over the years and into the future.

POPPY CAMPAIGN Report to General Meeting November 23, 2021

On behalf of Colleen Gammack and myself as co-chairwomen of the 2021 Poppy Campaign, we thank the following committee members Raymond Burgess, Laura and Mel Hyrich, Richard McDonald, Bill Spring, Cindy Stumme, Murray Tallant for their work and support.

This year's campaign had a quick start on October 29, 2021, and a fast track to end on November 11, 2021, and the time in-between was highlighted by a mixture of old and new ideas, all working together to culminate into a successful 2021 Poppy Campaign.

The distribution of 3 - Pay Tribute boxes to PetSmart -18th Street; Subway on 18th; Popeye's Louisiana Kitchen on Victoria & 10th was a scramble at the beginning but by the end seemed to be successful. They were provided by HSBC on a trial basis.

This year POS or Point of Sale was discussed, and Cindy Stumme organized our committee to "hit the streets" and canvass various businesses to ask for a Poppy donation electronically at the end of their customers transaction. It was discovered that a letter will need to go out perhaps in September, in order that those stores with head office control needed permission to allow POS on their tills. However, businesses on board this year were Canadian Tire, Sobey's on 18th, Sobey's West End, Heritage Co-Op. And we have not heard or received a cheque in the amount of their POS. as of today.

This year Poppy route volunteers delivered 23 routes, dropped off 316 boxes, and collected many individual Poppy donations. And the volunteers who "stepped up" to "step out" into the Brandon community to deliver Poppy boxes was terrific again this year. And to fill the void left from those unable to volunteer, the ACC student volunteers from the class of A/Sgt Alice Potter, Brandon Police Services Public Safety Instructor, joined the Poppy box delivery crew.

A sincere 'thank you' to every volunteer who worked, together as one, to collect the local Poppy Funds for 2021.

As of December 1, 2021 the Poppy Funds collected is \$32,500.00 with a few collections from point of sale stores still to come in.



What went out on October 29, 2021

Must be picked by our Poppy Route Volunteers all 320 + of them!



Volunteer Barb checking proof of vaccinations & photo ID's at our Legion door on a busy 2021 Poppy Campaign day...



Colleen & Blaine wait for the return of the 23 routes circulated by our 'Legion' of wonderful volunteers on the last Friday in October and being picked up today. Cindy & Garry were 'MIA' at time of picture.

Poppy Campaign 2021

2021 Poppy chairwomen, Colleen Gammack and Linda Wakefield receive a check for \$3,227.32 from the Sobey's West End presented by Tony Arujo-Front End Manager; Greg Gingras-Manager/Owner; Chris Isleifson-Store Administrator; Jeffery Nakonechny-Produce Manager/Owner



In response to words of gratitude . . . "Our absolute pleasure to support our community, Veterans and their families, and those serving or having served."

A glimpse of just a few 2021 Poppy Volunteers from a cast of MANY! .

Thank You Everyone!



Murray & Barb weighing up the Poppies ready for 2022

Brad moved them into storage!

Honouring and remembering Canada's Veterans

The Legion acknowledges the end of conflicts and does not commemorate the start of conflicts. The most sacred day of Remembrance is Remembrance Day. Every year, on November 11, the Legion recognizes all of Canada's Veterans, serving and retired, and commemorates our Fallen, including the men and women of the Canadian Armed Forces, RCMP, Peace Officers, Merchant Navy, and Reserves. On that day, we also honour the families and their losses.

Poppy Funds Held in Trust in 2020 Going to Work in our Brandon Community 2021



Laura Hyrich, member 2021 Poppy committee presents a cheque for \$1,500 to Amanda Fast from Prairie Oasis to assist with their Meals on Wheels program.



Legion Branch President Cindy Stumme presents a Poppy cheque to Deputy Fire Chief Jason Potter of Brandon Fire & Emergency Services in the amount of \$2,300.58

Poppy cheques were distributed to :

Valleyview Care Centre \$2,588.00

Five bursaries \$5,000.00

#82 Brandon RCA-FCC \$500.00

#71 Battery RCA 2520 RCACC \$500.00

Navy League Cadet Corps-Stan Hawitt \$500.00

RCSCC Swiftsure #60 \$500.00



Murray Tallant, Poppy committee member presents Jodee Webster from St John Ambulance with a cheque for 1,020.00



2021 Poppy Chairwomen, Linda Wakefield, and Colleen Gammack present a Poppy cheque to Scott Kirk Director of Acute Care- Prairie Mountain Health for \$9,679.30

Newly elected Branch 003 Officers and executive from RCL General Meeting on November 28, 2021. Thank you to all Branch members who attended and elected the following:

President-Fred Pritchard, 1st Vice President-Raymond Burgess, 2nd Vice President- Linda Wakefield, Sgt-At-Arms-Richard McDonald

For Two year term were:

Terry Shand, Paul Mount, Laura Hyrich, Bob Mawson, Richard McDonald,

For one year term were:

Murray Tallant, Maureen Hawkins

LADIES AUXILIARY 2020 EXECUTIVE

President : Linda Leckie
Past President: Betty Persian
1st Vice President: Susan Klyne
2nd Vice President: Marg Melnyk
Sgt-at-Arms: Suzanne Cartier
Treasurer: Pat Simmons

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Laureen at Legion Lounge

Legion Branch Website: <https://www.brandonlegion.ca/> (Please note plans for a re-start
/update for our Branch website in 2022

Brandon Legionnaire Branch Newsletter: contact Linda at mrs wakes@mymts.net to submit
articles &/or pictures



On **November 10th, 2021** the Divisional Commander, Cdr(NL) Kozak, had the privilege of promoting two Stan Hawitt officers from the rank of Acting Sub-Lieutenant(NL) to Sub-Lieutenant(NL)

SLt(NL) Amanda Slashinsky, Commanding Officer, and SLt(NL) Melissa Slashinsky, Supply Officer.

Congratulations ma'am's.



In addition, on November 10th, the Cadets held a Remembrance Day ceremony in the Legion, and were able to broadcast it online to friends and family wishing to join. The Corp did a fantastic job in being able to adhere to covid protocols while still giving the Cadets the means to participate in remembering those that came before them to stand up for the freedoms we all enjoy **today**. Although we were unable to participate as a Corp in the locally held services, Cadets were still able to attend these services in person.

The Navy League of Canada, Manitoba Division, Brandon Branch Web: www.mbnavyleague.ca

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LEGION
is back!
THURSDAY EVENING
Doors open 5:00pm
Early Bird 6:30 pm
Regular 7:00 pm

BRANCH 003 Legion hosts every Friday & Saturday Nite Meat Draws - 50/50 - CHASE The ACE

Please bring proof of 2 Vaccinations,
photo id & your mask!

Join in the fun & excitement of a
chance to win while supporting your

local

Legion 



2. "Guess Who" was once a Little league Legion slugger in 1964, holding the bat -front right ? Now a days often seen, volunteering at the Legion Bingo, and partaking in the Friday night meat draws...



LEAGUE A CHAMPS — Legion recently red the City Little League A division championship as they defeated Lawsons in the final. They front row, left to right: Dana Down, Guy Thorn- Terry Maxwell, Delvin Wagner, Brian Canart Arthur Polnik. Back row: Ken Roblesky, Clark D (coach), Mike Hutsal, Jim Down (manager) and Smallwood. Missing is Gary Haines.

1. Do you know who, Brian Marshall, Brandon Sun—Names & Places columnist, was writing about in September, 1997?

Legionnaire gets highest honor

I usually know that Remembrance Day Is just around the corner because that's the time of the year _____

usually pays a quiet visit to this office.

One thing I learned through those visits and by running into _____ socially, is that he is a gentleman and an outstanding ambassador for the Royal Canadian Legion and its members.

That's why I was delighted to learn that _____ was recently presented with the

Palm Leaf to the Meritorious Service Medal. This is the highest Legion award that can be granted to a life, ordinary or associate member.

Dominion President Joseph Kobolak, wrote, "Your comrades appreciate your time and efforts in support of community activities, as well as your devotion to the aims and objects of the Royal Canadian Legion. Your continued hard work has contributed a great deal to the overall success of the Legion."

Personally, I can't think of anyone more deserving.

**Brandon Sun September 22, 1997
Brian Marshall – Names & Places**

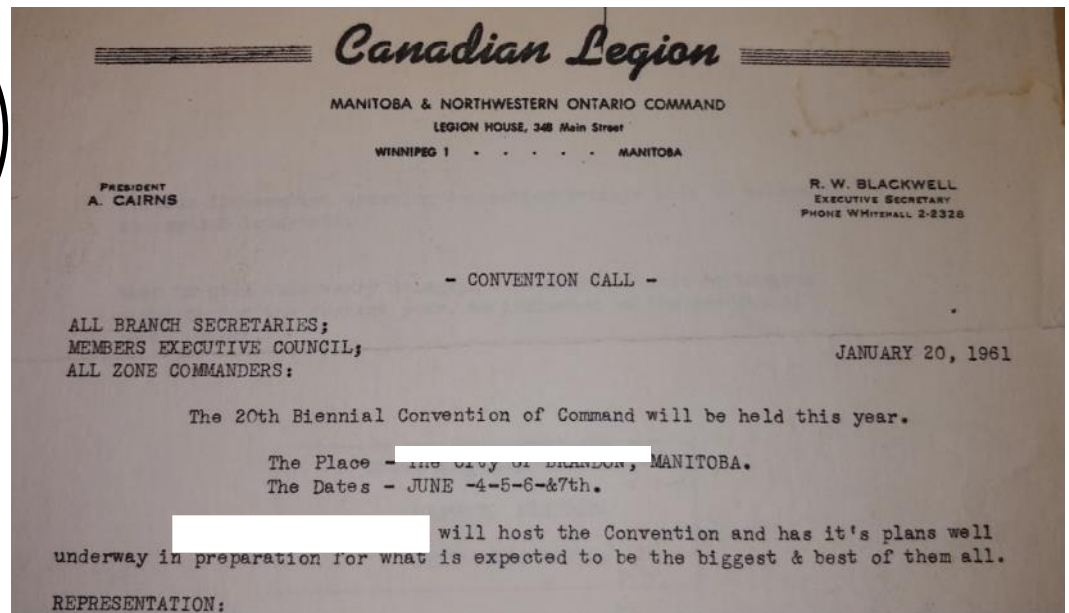
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What company donated to our Branch their gently used office furniture? PS...Branch Manager is employed there...



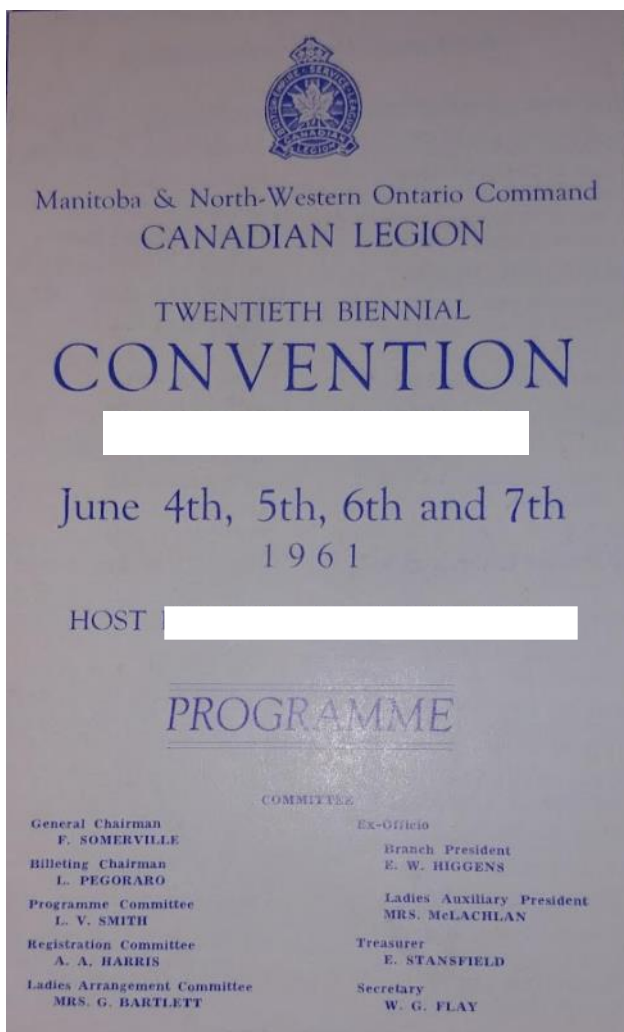


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Brandon Branch # 003 Lounge Table Top Plaque Facts

Have you noticed the rather worn brass plaques on the various tables in our Lounge ?

They were placed there for a reason unknown to those of us who sit at these tables in our time.

And if the past was alive, those Legion members who purchased one would welcome you to sit a while and enjoy your Royal Canadian Legion Brandon Branch #3 Lounge...

So now in the present, the message remains the same..



And silently promise to

"We Will Remember Them"