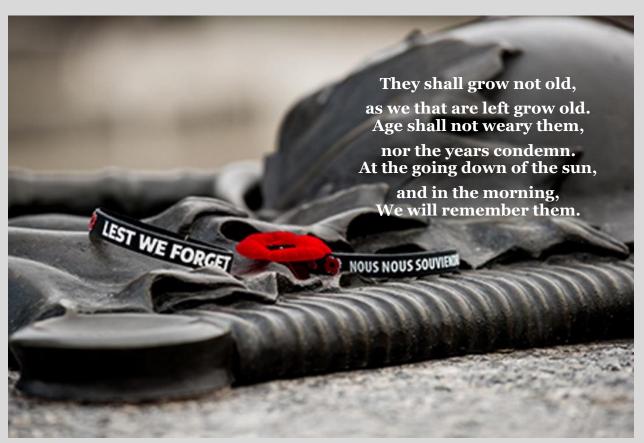
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Two Minutes of Silence

The most sacrosanct and central element in Remembrance is the Two Minutes of Silence.

At the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month, the month, day and time in 1918 when the First World War ceased hostilities, Canadians pause to observe two minutes of silence to honour the Fallen, and recognize the sacrifices or servicemen and women.





The Last Post

A bugler plays The Last Post, signifying the calling home of the spirits of the Fallen to rest. The Last Post originally was played to signal the camp was secured for the night. It was also played to call out to wounded or separated soldiers at the end of a battle, to guide them home to safety and rest.

Two Minutes of Silence

At the stroke of eleven, Canadians across the country join to collectively pause for two minutes of silence to honour, thank and remember the Fallen. This sacred moment also symbolizes Canada standing sentry in silence as the Fallen rest.

The Lament

At the National Remembrance Day Ceremony, a bagpiper plays The Lament, symbolizing the sounds of spouses and children crying over their dead.

The Rouse

The end of the two minutes of silence is signaled by the bugler playing the Rouse. The Rouse was originally used to wake soldiers. In this ceremony the Rouse wakes the Fallen and rises them above their mortal duties to rest in peace.

The Act of Remembrance

The symbolic ceremony finishes with an officiate reciting of the Act of Remembrance.

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.

To which all participants respond with "We will remember them."



National War Memorial The National War Memorial, also

known as "The Response," is a cenotaph symbolizing the sacrifice of all Canadian Armed Forces personnel who have served Canada in the cause of peace and freedom.





National Aboriginal Veterans Monument

The **National Aboriginal Veterans Monument** is a war monument located in Ottawa, Ontario, Canada. It commemorates the contributions of all Aboriginal peoples in war and peacekeeping operations from World War I to the present 12. The monument was created by Noel Lloyd Pinay, an Indigenous artist from the Peepeekisis First Nation in Saskatchewan, and was unveiled on National Aboriginal Day on June 21, 2001 34. The monument stands in Confederation Park and features four figures representing various Aboriginal groups in Canada. Two of the figures hold weapons, and two hold spiritual objects. An eagle occupies the highest point of the sculpture, symbolizing the Creator (known as the Thunderbird) and embodying the spirit of Canada's Aboriginal peoples. The four animals - wolf, grizzly, buffalo, and caribou represent spiritual quides 3.

www.veterans.gc.ca



Quotes for Canadian Remembrance Day

Honoring Those Who Gave Their Lives Serving Canada



"I am a Canadian, free to speak without fear, free to worship in my own way, free to stand for what I think right, free to oppose what I believe wrong, or free to choose those who shall govern my country. This heritage of freedom I pledge to uphold for myself and all mankind."

-John Diefenbaker

"In Flanders Fields, the poppies blow Between the crosses, row on row, That mark our place; and in the sky The larks, still bravely singing, fly Scarce heard amid the guns below."

—John McCrae

"Our hopes are high. Our faith in the people is great. Our courage is strong. And our dreams for this beautiful country will never die."

—Pierre Trudeau

"Whether we live together in confidence and cohesion; with more faith and pride in ourselves and less self-doubt and hesitation; strong in the conviction that the destiny of Canada is to unite, not divide; sharing in cooperation, not in separation or in conflict; respecting our past and welcoming our future."

—Lester Pearson

"Patriotism is not dying for one's country, it is living for one's country. And for humanity. Perhaps that is not as romantic, but it's better."

—Agnes Macphail

Canadian Remembrance Day Quotes (thoughtco.com)



Brandon Branch 003 Legion Executive 2023

President: Fred Pritchard
Past President: Cindy Stumme
1st Vice President: Raymond Burgess
2nd Vice President: Linda Wakefield
Sqt-at-Arms: Paul Mount

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Linda Baker, Suzanne Cartier, Maureen Hawkins, Mike Hawkins Laura Hyrich, Mel Hyrich, Richard McDonald Bob Patryluk, Terry Shand

LADIES AUXILIARY 2023 EXECUTIVE

President: Maureen Farrant Past President: Linda Leckie 1st Vice President:

2nd Vice President: Barb Roberds

Secretary: Betty Persian

Sgt-at-Arms: Maureen McCormick

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The Navy League of Canada, Manitoba Division, Brandon Branch

Web: www.mbnavyleague.ca

NLCC#4 Stan Hawitt

stanhawitt@mbnavyleague.ca

Navy League Volunteers Wednesday

Commanding Officer - SLt(NL)
Charlette Fontaine
Executive/Training Officer - SLt(NL)
Amanda Slashinsky
Supply Officer - SLt(NL) Melissa
Slashinsky
Instructor - Mr. Pat Mosiuk
Commander Clayton Kozak



PARADE PRACTICE OCTOBER 2023



Fall Cadet Tag Day







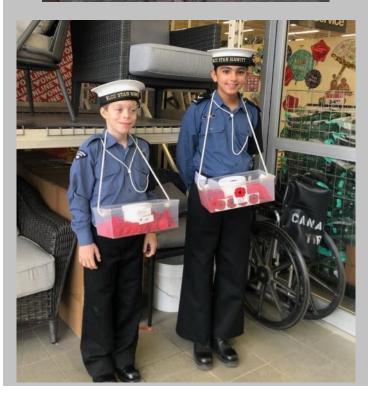


Special 'Thank you' to cadets from—71 Battery RCA 2520 RCSCC; Navy League - Stan Hawitt; RCSCC Swiftsure; #82 Brandon RCA-FCC for participating in Poppy Cadet Tag Day Saturday October 28, 2023.

And also to officers Glenn Arksey, Daniel Fontaine, Tyler Pretty, Melissa Slashinsky for their dedication to providing leadership and guidance to the youth of Brandon through these cadet corps.programs.

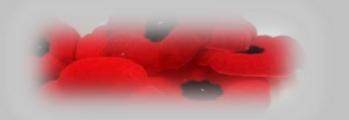
A thank you to Tim Horton's for providing the delicious donuts on Saturday. And a big thankyou to the parents who provided transportation and the Branch Volunteers who all worked together to make this day such a successful kick off to the Poppy Campaign 2023



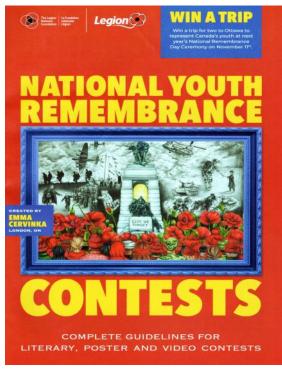












National Youth Remembrance Contests

Through the annual National Youth Remembrance Contests, the Legion National Foundation, in partnership with The Royal Canadian Legion and schools across the country, invite Canadian youth and children to honour Canada's Veterans and foster the tradition of Remembrance through visual art, writing, and video.

The contests include multiple levels of competition. Poster and literary works compete first at the Legion Branch local level, with winning entries moving forward until they reach the provincial level. Video entries compete first at the Legion Command provincial level. Provincial finalists of all contests then move forward for final judging by the Legion National Foundation to determine the national winners.

All winners at the national level are awarded a cash prize for their work. First Place Senior Winners are eligible for our most prestigious award – a trip to Ottawa and an opportunity to represent the youth of Canada at the National Remembrance Day Ceremony.

NATIONAL YOUT



are challenged to exercise storytelling skillstocreate a

website. Winning entries at the Provincial level are then forwarded to the Legion National Foundation in Ottawa to be judged at the national level.

- This contest is open to all students in the Canadian
- Students who have been out of the educational system for more than two consecutive years are ineligible to compete
- Participants 17 years of age or younger must confirm parental permission during the online submission process.
- submitted online at: RemembranceContests.ca
 - To submit your finished video, it must be uploaded to YouTube. Participants are required to provide the public, sharable link to their finished submission process.
 - Videos made by a group should be uploaded and credited to a single group member responsible for submitting, All correspondence and prizing will be addressed only to the submitting group member. Additional credits can be included when completing

- All eligible video submissions must be a minimum of 30 seconds and a maximum of 2 minutes in length.
- Videos may be either English, French or bilingual.
- All submissions must be the participant's original work. Submissions that appear to be rendered by AI will not be accepted.
- Externally sourced video footage, images, sound, or music in the video must be properly licensed and/or royalty-free.
 - The copying or reproducing of previously published works in whole or in part, without either the written permission from the author/source, or without identifying the author/source in the work, will result in the work being automatically disqualified.

The work should theme. If symbols are used, Canadian symbols shall be pre-eminent. Such national symbols are war memorials, Canadian and provincial flags, coats of arms, & representative flowers, birds, or animals, as well as all forms of Canadian historical and





Our October meeting had eight members present. Our fund-raising event in September was well attended and very informative (pre-planning funeral). A discussion was held on a potential fund-raising event for 2024 on Wills and Taxes.

We will be hosting a Fall Craft and Bake Sale on November 25th. Please book and pre-pay tables through the Legion Office. (Legion donations of baking and crafts are welcomed.)

Gwen Howell received her Legion blanket during October.

Ladies Auxiliary meetings in 2024 will be at 2:00 p.m. the first Tuesday of each month.

Submitted by Betty Persian

This summer the Brandon Legion Ladies Auxiliary joined with Ella to celebrate her 100th Birthday. Congratulations to Ella as she celebrates her centennial year in 2023





REMEMBRANCE DAY SERVICE

NOVEMBER 11, 2023

10:45 AM KEYSTONE CENTRE
GUEST SPEAKER
COLONEL E.H.J.ROBERDS,
CD
DIRECTOR CAPABILITY
ANALYSIS
WREATHS WILL BE LAID IN
ADVANCE
WITH HONORABLE MENTION
DURING THE SELECTED WREATH LAYING

National Notable Dates 2023

The following are national days of relevance to The Royal Canadian Legion that raise awareness of an issue, commemorate a group or event, or celebrate something. Also included are national Legion activities. Branches may wish to promote these dates or organize related activities. Dominion Command promotes many of these dates through our social media channels. Selected commemorative dates may be promoted on significant anniversaries.

We encourage Branches and members to share Legion national messaging from our social media channels: Facebook.com/CanadianLegion Twitter.com/RoyalCdnLegion Instagram.com/royalcanadianlegion

NOVEMBER

- Legion Early Bird campaign / Renewals
- 1 Announcement of National Silver Cross Mother
 - 8 Indigenous Veterans Day
 - 10 Passchendaele ends (1917)
- 11 Remembrance Day 11 First World War ends Armistice Day (1918)
 - 18 Battle of the Somme (1916)
 - 28 #GivingTuesday
 - 30 John McCrae's birthday (1872) (In Flanders Fields)









IN THE LEGION LOUNGE
SUNDAY,
NOVEMBER 19, 2023
\$15.00/PERSON
4:00 PM
CHILLI AND WINGS
TICKETS AVAILABLE AT
THE LEGION LOUNGE

CRAFT AND BAKE SALE

NOVEMBER 25TH
\$20.00/TABLE
BOOK AND PRE PAY AT THE
LEGION OFFICE
(204) 728-5026
OPEN FROM 10:00-3:00
CUSTOMERS PLEASE BRING
YOUR OWN BAGS

BAKING DONATIONS WOULD BE GREATLY APPRECIATED



ATTENTION CRIBBAGE PLAYERS

Branch Sports Chair, Terry Shand has a callout to anyone who wishes to join the fun of a Cribbage get together, every Wednesday evening in the

Legion Lounge

Registration at 6:30 p.m.

Play begins 7:00 p.m.



A century's worth of laughs from the pages of Reader's Digest.

A teenager brings her new boyfriend home to meet her parents. They're appalled by his haircut, his tattoos, his

Later, the girl's mom says, "Dear, he doesn't seem to be a very nice boy."
"Oh, please, Mom!" says the daughter. "If he wasn't nice, would he be doing 500 hours of community service?" –Maria Salmon

RD issue 2009

Every time a little boy went to a playmate's house, he found the friend's grandmother deeply engrossed in her Bible. Finally his curiosity got the better of him. "Why do you suppose your grandmother reads the Bible so much?" he asked. "I'm not sure," said his friend, "but I think she's cramming for her finals."

—Carl T. Schuneman

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RD Issue: January 1958

Two hikers were walking through the woods when they suddenly confronted a giant bear. Immediately, one of the men took off his boots, pulled out a pair of track shoes, and began putting them on. "What are you doing?" cried his companion. "We can't outrun that bear, even with jogging shoes." "Who cares about the bear?" the first hiker replied. "All I have to worry about is outrunning you." —Jim Whitehead, *The Daily Herald*

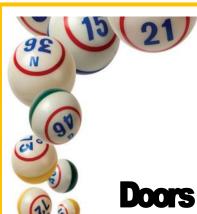
RD Issue: May 1982

I was administering an achievement test to David, a precocious six-year-old, and I began by asking him when his birthday was.

"February 20," was his quick response.
Next I asked him, "What year, David?"
He looked at me quizzically at first and then hit upon the obvious answer. "Every year," he said.

—Jerry Mintz RD Issue: January 1979





LEGION BINGO

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

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



Brandon Branch #3



November 2023

SUNDAY	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Poppy Campaign Begins on Friday October 27, 2023 to Saturday November 11, 2023 Poppy Cadet Tag Day Saturday October 28 2023			Registratio	Legion BINGO Doors open 5 pm Early Bird 6:30 7:00 pm	Meat Draw- 50/50 - Chase The Ace 5:00 pm	4 Meat Draw 50/50 Chase The Ace 4:30
5	6 Lounge Closed Branch Office Open 9-4	7 Branch Ladies Auxiliary 7:00pm	National 8 Aboriginal Veterans Day Cribbage Registration 6:30 Play	Legion BINGO Doors open 5 pm Early Bird 6:30 7:00 pm	10 Meat Draw- 50/50 - Chase The Ace 5:00 pm	11
12	Lounge Closed Branch Office Open 9-4	Branch Executive Meeting 7:00	Cribbage Registration 6:30 Play 7pm Play 7:00	Legion BINGO Doors open 5 pm Early Bird 6:30 7:00 pm	17 Meat Draw- 50/50 - Chase The Ace 5:00 pm	18 Meat Draw 50/50 Chase The Ace 4:30
19	20 Lounge Closed Branch Office OPEN 9-4	21	Cribbage Registration 6:30 Play 7:00	Legion BINGO Doors open 5 pm Early Bird 6:30 7:00 pm	24 Meat Draw- 50/50 - Chase The Ace 5:00 pm	END of 25 Month Meat Draw 50/50 Chase The Ace 4:30
26	Lounge Closed Branch Office OPEN 9-4	Branch General Meeting & Election of Officers 7:30pm	Cribbage Registrat ion 6:30 Play 7:00	Legion BINGO Doors open 5 pm Early Bird 6:30 7:00 pm		

Branch Lounge Hours: Tuesday & Wednesday 1:

1:00 pm to 9:00 pm

Thursday, Friday & Saturday 1:00 pm to 10:00 pm

Branch Office Hours: Monday to Friday

9:00 am to 4:00 pm

Regular meetings of Ladies Auxiliary 1st Tuesday February to June & September to December at 7:00 pm in the Legion Banquet Hall