



# CONTACT!

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## President's Report

As of 12:01 a.m. Saturday, October 10, 2020, Ottawa has moved to a modified COVID-19 Stage 2 for a minimum of 28 days. This stage reduces limits for all social gatherings and organized public events to a maximum of 10 people indoors and 25 people outdoors. Detailed information can be found at <https://ottawa.ctvnews.ca/indoor-dining-gyms-ordered-to-close-as-ottawa-moves-to-a-modified-stage-2-1.5139733> .

As we adjust to this modified stage 2 for our area, I would like once again to thank everyone for working together and cooperating during a time that has required all of us to adapt to changing norms and protocols. Unfortunately, these rules will have a negative impact on our social events, Remembrance Services at the cenotaph, retirement homes and the Poppy Campaign.

Preparation for the Poppy Campaign is well on its way to meeting the start date of Friday, October 30. There will not be personal tagging nor the standard teams at Poppy tables. Our branch activities for this year's campaign have been limited to placing Poppy boxes in as many locations as possible. Should you wish to participate in this campaign, please contact me directly at 613 599-3553 or [bwjudge@outlook.com](mailto:bwjudge@outlook.com) at your earliest convenience

Stay Safe. <https://www.publichealthontario.ca/-/media/documents/ncov/factsheet/factsheet-covid-19-guide-take-care-yourself-others.pdf?la=en>

Yours in comradeship,

Bruce Judge

## First Vice President

With the second wave of COVID 19 affecting all of our activities, it is difficult to come up with much that is positive these days. Most Branch activities are closed and traffic is minimal. However, our faithful group of volunteers is still out there doing their best to help keep our heads above water in some innovative ways.

The L.A. is busy assisting the Branch's operating programs to maintain a modest amount of revenue and they deserve our continuing commendation for the energy and innovations. For example, our bottle drives, Pot Pie sales, Poinsettia sales, among others.

The completed Gallant Knights Bike Rally held on September 12 was successful, but not nearly as productive as anticipated. Debby Holden worked extremely hard to overcome many of the obstacles initially facing the organizers because of COVID and prepared a comprehensive plan which would have been of great benefit to the Gallant Knights and to #638. Unfortunately, on the day of the event, it was discovered that the Gallant Knight organizers, in their last-minute frantic preparations, had had to make some changes which had not been discussed with and agreed to by the Branch organizers. The result was a reasonably productive event for the Gallant Knights but less so for the Branch, with a reduction in revenue and a surplus for food.

The lesson learned is that any agreements made with outside organizations, no matter how good their cause and intentions are, must be clear and unequivocal with no last-minute changes not agreed to. Should the Gallant Knights come to us in subsequent years for assistance, there

will be clearer rules about conduct and alterations to agreements.

The Branch Re-opening Committee is looking forward to a reduction of COVID 19 effects and the lifting of restrictions on Canadian activities. The better we all follow the expert medical advice, the quicker we will be back to normal, however long that takes. Think distance. mask, wash hands and stay at home unless particularly important.

Bill Molnar  
First VP

## Kanata Legion's Remembrance Day Ceremony 2020 and Wreath Information

Due to the restrictions in place for COVID-19, the Kanata Remembrance Day Ceremony is being scaled back with no parade and wreaths being pre-positioned. A short ceremony will be held at the Cenotaph, Village Green Memorial Park, Colchester Square to honour the veterans and their sacrifices. It is requested there be no spectators and that you watch the National Ceremony from home.

Your participation and support at the Kanata Legion's annual Remembrance Day Ceremony and Parade in past years has always been appreciated. Although this year's ceremony is scaled back, wreaths will always be a symbol of remembrance and a means of supporting the Kanata legion and our veterans. Please consider ordering a wreath and donating \$50 to the Kanata Legion's Poppy Trust Fund. To order a wreath or to make arrangements to have your own wreath prepositioned, please contact George Pollock at 613-836-2530 or [treasurer.rclbr638@gmail.com](mailto:treasurer.rclbr638@gmail.com), and it will be prepositioned before the ceremony. Acknowledgement of preplaced wreaths will be listed on our website.

Lorraine Lapensee  
Chair  
Remembrance Day Service

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### POPPY CAMPAIGN

From the last Friday in October to Remembrance Day, millions of Canadians wear a Poppy as a visual pledge to never forget those who sacrificed for our freedom. Please look for a poppy donation box in your local stores or send a donation directly to the Kanata Legion. Clearly marked for Poppy Trust Fund. *Thank You*

### Kanata Remembrance Day Ceremony – Nov. 11, 2020

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A short ceremony will be held at the Cenotaph, Village Green Memorial Park, Colchester Square to honour the Veterans and their sacrifices. It is requested there be no spectators and that they watch the National Ceremony from home.

To pre-purchase a wreath please contact George at 613-836-2530 or [treasurer.rclbr638@gmail.com](mailto:treasurer.rclbr638@gmail.com), and it will be prepositioned before the ceremony.

Tune into St. Paul's Anglican Church website or YouTube Mon. Nov. 9 at 11 am for a short Legion Virtual Remembrance Service.

### Bottle Drive to Raise Funds

We are collecting beer/wine bottles and cans.

Please drop them off any time at the back door of the Kanata Legion on Hines Rd.

If you are unable to drop them off, and would like them picked up, please contact Lorraine 613-831-8319 or email

[lm1apensee@sympatico.ca](mailto:lm1apensee@sympatico.ca) to arrange a pick up.

*Thank You For Your Support*



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## Remembrance Service

On Monday, November 9, at 11 00 a.m. we are planning a service of Remembrance at St Paul's. In the past we (at the legion) have taken our service of Remembrance to each of the 13 seniors' residences and homes in our Kanata community. Unfortunately, and because of the COVID-19 restrictions, we are denied this privilege of serving our veterans this year and regret that we cannot personally salute their service and contribution to Canada and the world.

Please mark the date on your calendar and join us in honouring those who gave the ultimate sacrifice, those who have served and those who continue to do so.

Please tune in Monday, November 9, at 11:00 a.m.

Lest We Forget  
Moir

## Remembrance Service for Seniors' Residences and Long-Term Care Homes

Due to pandemic restrictions we will be unable to deliver our usual service of Remembrance Service to our 13 local residences and long term-homes. This is most unfortunate as we always looked forward to greeting our veterans, seniors, members and residents in person and thanking them for their service.

In place we are planning a virtual Remembrance Service at St. Paul's, Kanata. Our chaplain Father Bill and I are working with the tech team at St. Paul's. With the warden's permission we will hold a Remembrance Service in early November following our traditional format. I will notify all locations by letter with the date and time. The actual service will be available on YouTube and on the St Paul's website as a webcast.

Lest We Forget  
Moir

Our **Vimy Oaks** planted at Walter Baker Park seemed to have survived the winter and the pandemic, so far. Let us hope that these descendants of the great oaks of Vimy Ridge will continue to survive and flourish to honour those who suffered and those who made the ultimate sacrifice. See right hand column →→→→→

## Cenotaph Memorial Stones

The first year of this Legion's Remembrance initiative at the cenotaph in Village Green Memorial Park was 2019. 29 memorial stones were engraved remembering the men and women who served in the armed forces in war time. All engraved stones were purchased by our legion members and members of the local community. It is a history lesson itself to take a moment, read the names, dates and who these people were and briefly how they served. We are very grateful to those who took the time and effort to remember.

2020 is now the second year of this Remembrance project. To date 10 memorial stones have been purchased and will be engraved within the next month. September 15 was the last date applications were accepted for this year. We are especially grateful to those veterans, members and community citizens who supported this project despite the strange but necessary restrictions under which we now exist.

Please consider remembering a family hero, grandfather, grandmother, father, mother, son, daughter, brother, sister, aunt, uncle, cousin, friend or neighbour for next year.

It is a privilege to continue to meet members and community.

Lest We Forget  
Moir





Our engraver at work at the cenotaph on Village Green Memorial Park.

Alex is working on the second set of memorial stones purchased by veterans, legion members and community residents to honour the service given by family members and friends. Thank you to those who chose to enhance our cenotaph area with such a tribute. Perhaps you might consider this honour for someone in your family or a friend for next year.

Lest We Forget  
Moira Green  
Chair, Cenotaph Committee

## Gaming Report



### October Catch the Ace Report

Donations raised over for September \$ 745.60  
Branch Operations & Maintenance \$ 186.40

### Bingo

Challenges for Bingo due to COVID-19 Health Actions Shutting Down the Legion effective 15 March 2020.

Bingo Start Up effective 06 September 2020

We managed to run five bingos. Although the players were glad to be back, the Bingos barely broke even. It was decided to suspend bingos until further notice and shortly after, Ottawa went into a modified Phase 2 limiting indoor numbers to 10.



Gaming Committee

## Lottery Trust Fund Report

Due to the fact that the LTF committee is required to withhold some funds in case of emergencies, no donations will be made in October. Letters of thanks were received from Operation Service Dogs and Kanata Food Cupboard.

Margaret Judge  
Lottery Trust Fund

## From the Membership Desk

Total Membership in Good Standing to date: **294**



### Welcome and Transfer Members

- Arthur Barr – Welcome Veteran Transfer
- Samantha Cooper – New Voting Affiliate Works with Ability Dogs Canada Training Service Dogs.
- Heather Krajaefski – New Associate Member of the Cozy Quilters
- Patricia J. Rose – New Associate Reinstating Membership from 2014
- Richard L.C. Lindsay (Rico) – Welcome Veteran Transfer
- Kevin Scharf – New Associate Member of The Union Group that meets Monday
- Heather Wittig – New Associate Member of The Green Rebel Hall Rental Use Kitchen for Take Out
- Michael McGlennon – Transfer Ordinary Transfer from Stittsville Legion
- Art Dempsey – New Associate– Friend of Ross Valliant and attended many Legion functions
- Twyla Alguire – New Associate Friend of Ross Valliant and Attended many legion functions

### Last Post



Robert (Bob) Gordon Farrell

Passed away peacefully  
30 September 2020

The Early Bird Campaign started September 1 and runs through to November 30, 2020. At the time of this report, I am happy to say that 185 members have renewed out of the 292 showing on our membership list. This is over 63%. Thank you all for your quick responses.

EARLY BIRD DUES are \$55.

Brenda Grant  
Membership Chair

# Ways and Means Committee

The new WAM Committee wasted no time introducing fundraising projects abiding by the COVID-19 restrictions such as: turkey pot pie take-out, bottle drive and poinsettia sale. When you support these fundraisers, you support your Kanata Legion.

Turkey Pot Pie Take-Out, a successful fundraiser, took place on Saturday, October 17, for a total sale of 140 pies! Many thanks with much appreciation to all those who purchased pies!

A very special thank you to all the volunteers who worked diligently for many, many hours to bring delicious turkey pot pies to many dining tables!

Debby Holden

Kanata Legion Br 638 Winter Poinsettia Fundraiser  
October 19<sup>th</sup> to November 20<sup>th</sup>



## Poinsettia Sale



Order your poinsettias now to enjoy over the holiday season,  
by emailing Debby Holden at:  
[debbyholden2993@rogers.com](mailto:debbyholden2993@rogers.com) or phone 613-271-2993.

**Colours:** Red, White, Pink and Burgundy  
**Prices:** 6" pot \$15 8" pot \$35 plus HST  
Some colours may run out and be substituted.

Orders will fill on a first-come, first-served basis.  
**So don't wait and be disappointed!**

Order pick up at the Kanata Legion, 70 Hines Rd, tentatively scheduled for  
Wednesday, 25 Nov. 1:00 - 4:00 pm. **Deadline and payment must be received by  
Friday, 20 Nov.**

*Get your orders in now.*

*Thank you for supporting the Kanata Legion!*



## Report from the Ladies' Auxiliary

The Ladies' Auxiliary held their first general meeting in seven months on October 7th. The L.A. Zone G6 Commander, Marilyn Devlin, and Deputy Zone G6 Commander, Elaine Madore, conducted the annual review prior to the general meeting and addressed the general membership with a report from provincial.

On Saturday, October 17, the Ladies' Auxiliary informally presented a \$700 cheque to the Branch; proceeds came from catering at a bike rally on September 12.

### Past Event

The Ladies' Auxiliary hosted a combination dine in/take out fundraiser - Simply Sausage Saturday Social on Saturday, October 3, 2020 - A simple fundraiser with the option to dine in or take out resulting in the sell of 25 dinners - 16 dine-in and 9 take out! Supporters enjoyed a bit of social time and a meal they did not have to prepare or wash dishes! Sausage on a bun with fried onions, broccoli salad, small potato chip bag, blueberry cheesecake, coffee or tea - delicious! Thank you for your support!

**KANATA LEGION**

**FUNDRAISING**  **Bottle Drive**

Until further notice...  
Please drop off your empty  
Beer bottle/Cans; Wine bottles/ Tetra packs and  
Wine bags in a box,  
And leave beside the back door of the Legion.  
No need to crush cans but we will take them anyway.

If you are unable to drop them off, and would like them picked  
up, please contact  
**Lorraine 613-831-8319** or email [lm1apensee@sympatico.ca](mailto:lm1apensee@sympatico.ca)  
to arrange a pick up.

Also, if you prefer to cash in your own empties and donate the  
monies, please call the Legion to make arrangements to bring  
in your donation.

**Thank you, your support is  
much appreciated**

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## Upcoming Event

The Ladies' Auxiliary is still planning to hold their annual Christmas Bazaar on November 28 pending the COVID-19 restrictions. Donation of items, particularly jigsaw puzzles, are welcomed and may still be dropped off at the Kanata Legion.



# Ladies' Auxiliary's



## ANNUAL CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

**ONE DAY ONLY!**

**Saturday, November 28, 2020**

**9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.**

at The Kanata Legion

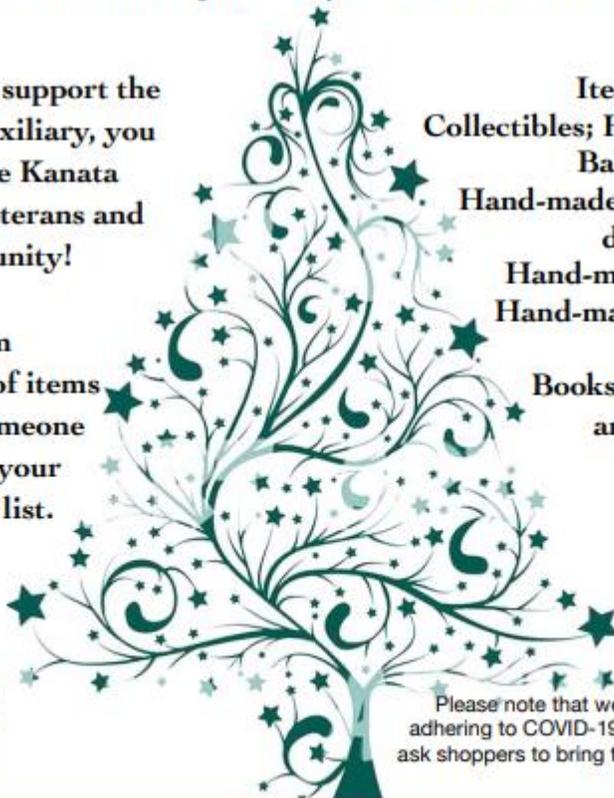


70 Hines Rd., Kanata

When you support the Ladies' Auxiliary, you support the Kanata Legion, Veterans and our community!

Select from hundreds of items for that someone special on your Christmas list.

Items include:  
Collectibles; Home-made Baked Goods;  
Hand-made Christmas decorations;  
Hand-made Crafts;  
Hand-made Knitted Items;  
Books & Puzzles,  
and so much more.



Please note that we will be strictly adhering to COVID-19 protocols and ask shoppers to bring their own bags.

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