

Kingsway Legion Br 175

Ladies Auxiliary Newsletter

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Well it's been a year since you received a letter so let me fill you in. As of Dec 31, 2025 in our province there is no longer a Ladies Auxiliary Provincial Command. There were 44 LA's left in the Alberta-NWT Command. The legions will oversee the Ladies Auxiliary's they have. So no more LA Conventions or LA Rallies where some great relationships were made and laughs had. We the Ladies Auxiliary of Kingsway are very fortunate that we have had a great working relationship with the branch for years.

I had been the President for 5 years had taken a year off as I was also District 2 Commander. So as we move forward I was elected President again of the Kingsway LA in November. I hope you have a happy and healthy new year!

President Kim Earles

WAYS AND MEANS

We just held our Christmas raffle, bake sale, white elephant table, ham & turkey draw and 50/50 draw. I do not have figures but know we are well supported in our branch. Our 1800 raffle tickets sold out. Our 50/50 earned the auxiliary \$475.00. If you are crafty or know someone that is who would be interested in donating some homemade treasures keep our LA in mind!

Our next fundraiser is the Spring Raffle which will be March 28th, 2026. Tickets will be available to purchase at the front desk by the third week in January.

BINGO

Have you heard? The second Saturday of the month after the meat raffle and 50/50 we hold a Free Fun Bingo. Prizes are wrapped donated items. Attendees enjoy the bingo and socialization. The motto is “You get what you get and you can’t get upset!”

The Legion holds bingos at Kensington Bingo Hall monthly. If you know someone who is willing to volunteer contact the Legion at 780-425-8654. This is a big fundraising opportunity for the branch.

MEMBERSHIP

We currently have 54 members including 7 Life Members. If you have not paid your 2026 dues please do so as soon as possible.

KIPNES CENTRE FOR VETERANS

Each year the LA sponsors the monthly birthday parties and bingos held at the Kipnes. We also organize a Christmas gift bag for each of the 120 residents. A couple of our members volunteer at the Kipnes on a regular basis and others attend the birthday parties when possible.

MEAT RAFFLES & 50/50'S

Tickets go on sale Saturdays at 1 PM. Draws are usually finished by 2:30 PM. Consider coming out to support your LA or volunteer! There is always laughter coming from our ladies as we volunteer at the meat raffle. Come enjoy the friendships!

IN MEMORIAM

On November 17, 2025 we lost our member Zelda Doell. Zelda was a 14 year member who volunteered at the Kipnes Centre for Veterans for over 10 years for our auxiliary. You could find her at “The Bistro” (a tuck shop) with residents around her chatting away. She was on our executive for 9 years as the Phone Committee Chairperson. She will be missed greatly. Rest in peace Zelda.

Next General Meeting is January 20, 2026.