



**Branch 256 Stony Plain Alberta**



**Legion Closed till further notice**  
**no Meat Draw.**

**Remember your Local Charities this Christmas.**

## Newsletter

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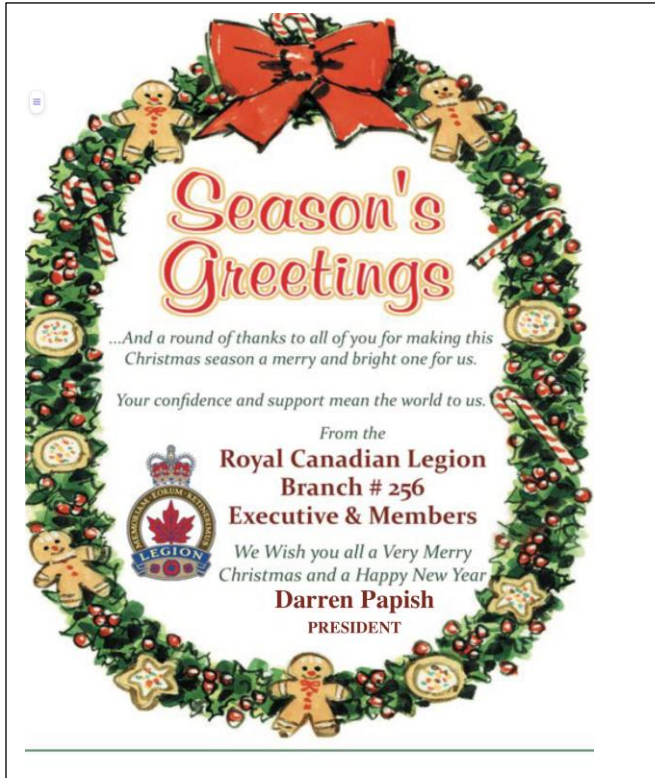
This Week

Branch Closed

Nov Toonie Draw

Ronnie Martineau won  
\$100.00

# Royal Canadian LEGION



## Stony Plain Legion Br. 256

To all Newsletter Readers.

This will be the last newsletter for 2020 because the Branch is closed, I am going to take a break until after the New Year. If any important news come up, I will put out a newsletter.

I would like to thank all my readers for another year, hopefully in the not to near future we can get back to some kind of normal and be able to get together at the Branch.

In the meantime, have a Very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Jim Stover

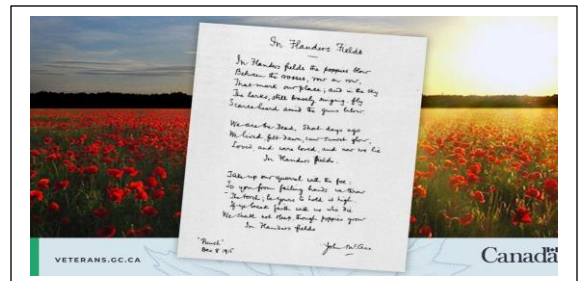
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## How we advocate

Veterans served to protect the rights and freedoms we enjoy today, and The Royal Canadian Legion is committed to ensuring they receive the care and supports they deserve. The Legion advocates for Veterans' benefits and for the wellbeing of Veterans and their families.

In order to develop our positions and messages to effectively advocate for Veterans and their families, the Legion supports and conducts research, and consults with our members, other Veterans and their families, and with subject matter experts. Our advocacy is consistent with the approximately 20 other Canadian organizations that make up the Veterans Consultation Assembly.

With a membership 260,000 strong, we advocate through a number of key activities and processes:



[#CanadaRemembers](#) - 105 years ago, in December 1915, Lieutenant-Colonel John McCrae's famous poem "In Flanders Fields" was published for the first time. <http://ow.ly/8HSU50CD3yH>

A Canadian artillery officer and doctor, Lieutenant-Colonel John McCrae wrote one of the most famous war poems in the world. He penned "In Flanders Fields" on 3 May 1915 during the First World War's 2nd Battle of Ypres, in Belgium.

Britain's "Punch" magazine published "In Flanders Fields" on 8 December 1915. The poem quickly became widely known as a powerful call to remember and support those who were fighting and dying in the conflict. Pictured is a copy of "In Flanders Fields" hand-written by McCrae.

Photo: Library and Archives Canada



# LEST WE FORGET

## Executive Meeting

2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each Month @  
7:00pm

## General Meetings

3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of each Month at  
7:00 pm except for July August  
and December.

November General Meeting  
Postponed because we are  
closed

President- Darren Papish

Past President -Pat Hale

1<sup>st</sup> Vice- Jim Stover

2<sup>nd</sup> Vice - Buck Coutts

Secretary- Dixie Jones

Treasurer- Kim Martin

Sgt-At-Arms- Larry Funge

Service Officer- Jerry Milne

Pastor- Rev Trevor Swanson MTS

Executive

Lanny McConnell, Andrew Benkovich, Ed  
Siteman ,Duffy Mervold, Jerry Milne  
Audrey Funge and Sherri Milne



**Volunteers**  
*Make everything happen!*

*Thank You!*

Thanks to all Our Volunteers



## 2021 MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL STICKERS

- The 2021 membership **RENEWAL STICKERS ARE IN** the Branch.
- Renewal **FEEES** for 2021 remain at **\$50**.
- We will be running an **'INCENTIVE MEMBERSHIP DRAW'** again this year:
  - **3 DRAWS** at the end of **SEPTEMBER** for **FREE MEMBERSHIP**.
  - **2 DRAWS** at the end of **OCTOBER** for **FREE MEMBERSHIP**.
  - **1 DRAW** at the end of **NOVEMBER** for **FREE MEMBERSHIP**.

The last winner for free membership for the Early Bird Renewal is Cde Carol Epton, **CONGRATULATIONS CAROL**, thank you for being an Early Bird 🐦

Pat Hale

Membership Chair

How did the ornament get addicted to Christmas?

He was hooked on trees his whole life

What do you call a kid who doesn't believe in Santa?

A rebel without a Claus

What did Adam say to his wife on Christmas?

It's finally Christmas, Eve!


Attached is the list of all the companies and organizations that contributed to this years Poppy Campaign. Thanks to all.

299 MacKenzie - Royal Canadian Sea Cadets  
755 Parkland - Royal Canadian Air Cadets  
Aardvark Heating & Ventilating  
Alberta Health Services - EMS  
Assinger Concrete  
Bing's # 1 Restaurant  
Birdsell Grant LLP  
Century 21 Vantage Realty  
Competition Chev Olds  
Freson Brothers Fresh Market  
George, Nickolas  
Hawkings Tinney LLP  
Homegrown Foods  
St. John Paul II Catholic School  
Kinsmen Club of Stony Plain  
Knights of Columbus Council 17034  
Light up Your Life  
MAIN STREET Financial  
Memorial Composite High School  
Meridian Housing Foundation  
Meridian Lodge # 129  
Meridian Model Flyers Association  
North Central CO-OP  
Parkland County  
Parkland Holy Trinity CWL  
Parkland Turning Points Society  
RCMP Parkland Detachment  
Royal Arch Masons, Stoney Chapter #41  
Scoutland Camp - Scouts Canada  
Stony Plain & Parkland Pioneer Museum  
Stony Plain FCSS  
Stony Plain Fire Department  
Stony Plain Horticultural Society  
Stony Plain Lions Club  
Stony Plain Rotary Club  
Stony Plain Senior Citizens Society  
Stony Plain Veterinary Clinic  
Stony Plain Womens Institute  
Town of Stony Plain  
Victim Services Society  
Village of Wabamun  
Village Fashions  
Westridge Curling Club  
Westview Health Centre  
Wilken Family - Fred Wilken  
Yellowhead Veterinary Clinic Ltd  
Regards,  
Andrew Benkovich  
Poppy Chair





**If Help needed contact our service officer**

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## Service Officer





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The Last Sunday of the Month starting April 29, 2018 @ 1400 hours has been set aside for a gathering of Veterans of the Canadian Armed Forces & RCMP and all those serving on active duty to come together in fellowship and to be introduced to the Legion. Coffee and Donuts will be Served. All Veterans Welcome.

**Legion services for Veterans and their families**  
The Legion provides a range of services and supports for Veterans, their families and dependants. In addition to directly assisting Veterans and their families with the disability claims process through Veterans Affairs Canada (VAC), the Legion offers a variety of programs, resources and referrals to support Veteran health, transition to civilian life, financial assistance and well-being.

**At the local Legion Branch, a Veteran or their family can:**

- meet with a volunteer Legion Service Officer to help identify unmet health or support needs and review possible benefits through VAC, as well as other supports available
- get assistance with completing the Legion Claims Form and receive a referral to Legion Command Service Officers for individual assistance
- request benevolent financial assistance through the Poppy Fund
- request visits to Veterans in retirement and long-term care facilities
- access Veteran support and care programs as offered through the Branch

# CHRISTMAS HAMPERS

A service project of the



Stony Plain Legion members, we may be closed but you can still donate to Christmas Hamper 2020, the need is great!

GO TO [www.stonyplainkinsmen.ca](http://www.stonyplainkinsmen.ca) AND CLICK TO DONATE or check out hampers in many local Businesses