



**Branch 256 Stony Plain Alberta**



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

## Newsletter

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This Week

Branch Closed

Nov Toonie Draw

Ronnie Martineau won  
\$100.00



# 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

To all our Members

Because of the restrictions being extended we will be staying closed until such time as they are lifted.

Your Executive is keeping in touch by email and will be having a meeting as soon as possible.

Some positions and personal on the Executive has changed but we have to have a meeting to make it official.

Not much for news this week just thought we would keep in touch.

We wish everyone a Happy New Year and please stay safe.

Jim Stover

Public Relations



Happy New Year from your Membership Chair:

Branch #256, Stony Plain ended 2020 with 537 paid up members.

2020 saw a big influx of Veteran members with the Veterans Welcome Program, Welcome to Branch #256. As the Branch was closed for a good part of 2020 (7 months to be exact), I mailed member cards to many new members. These new members are welcome to come see me when we open again to get their Legion pins as I did not put them in the mail.

I have had many inquiries regarding how to pay your 2021 dues:

1. Go on-line to [legion.ca](http://legion.ca) and open an account (you will need your member #), you can then pay your 2021 dues which are still \$50.
2. Mail a cheque to RCL Branch #256, 4902-44 Ave. Stony Plain, AB T7Z 1V5
3. There is a mail slot by the entrance door and you can drop an envelope in there with your payment.
4. If you do on-line banking you can e-transfer your dues to [phale19832003@yahoo.ca](mailto:phale19832003@yahoo.ca)

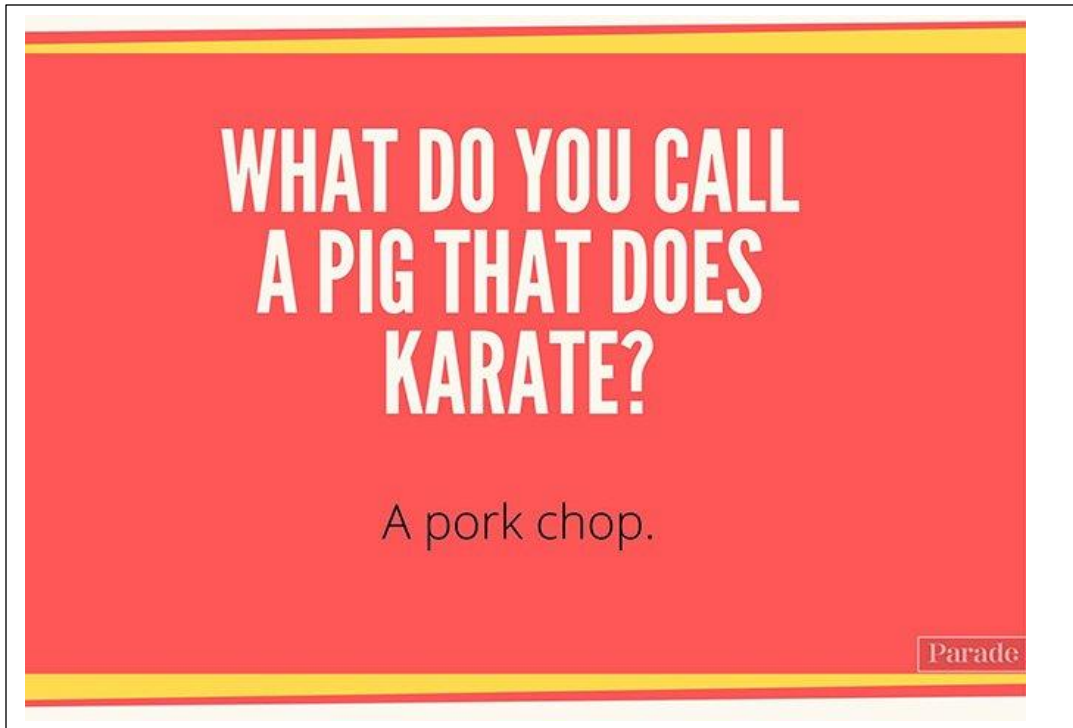
Any way you choose to pay your dues I will mail you your 2021 sticker, please ensure that your address is up to date so I do not have to receive your sticker back in the mail, hunt you down (lol) and mail it again.

Please also keep in mind that dues for 2021 were due as of Dec. 31st, 2020, Dominion Command honours membership for the month of January after which you will be considered a “member not in good standing” and will have to be signed in by a member when you come to the Branch.

Stay safe all,  
Pat



At only 817 kilometers from the North Pole, [Canadian Force Station Alert](#), Nunavut is the northernmost permanently inhabited location in the world. Originally established in the 1950s as a weather station, CFS Alert has since transformed into strategic military location. During the Cold War, the location was used to intercept Soviet radio signals due to its close proximity to Moscow.

The Canadian army was a [pioneer in developing the digital camouflage uniform pattern](#) that is worn by militaries around the world today. The Canadian army began its digital camouflage pattern research in 1988 and started field testing the first digital CADPAT pattern in 1995. In the early 2000s, the Canadian army also shared information that helped the U.S. Marines develop their MARPAT digital pattern.




**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

**DON'T LISTEN TO THE PARROT**

**A frightened man goes to the secret police and says, "My talking parrot disappeared."**

**"Why did you come here? Go to the regular police."**

**"I will. I'm just here to tell you that I disagree with whatever that parrot is going to say."**

**NAMES FOR GROUPS YOU NEVER KNEW**

**A pride of lions, a gaggle of geese ... and here's how we might classify these groups: • A brat of boys • A giggle of girls • A stagger of drunks • A tedium of accountants • A stitch of doctors • A whine of losers • A jerk of politicians**