



**Branch 256 Stony Plain Alberta**



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

**\$ 40.00 Meat Pack Shirley Groleau**

## Newsletter

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This Week

Branch Closed

Oct Toonie Draw

Dan Hannam won \$244.50

# Royal Canadian LEGION

Hello Members, as we were not able to have a General Meeting last night (for Nov.) I wanted to update you all on some membership "stuff". For stats we have 522 members with paid dues for 2020 and to date members who have renewed their membership for 2021 stands at 303. There will be one more draw for free membership at the end of November, those that have won free membership for 2021 are Dave Waddell, Wayne Waddell, Barry Kenyon, Keith Epton and Brian Klashinsky.

Many members have renewed online and some of those stickers I have and will be putting in the mail, some I don't have and will have to wait until they are sent from Membership Services in Ottawa (when I receive them I will mail them out). If you have had a change of address over the past few yrs. that you have not given me please update me at phale19832003@yahoo.ca. I will mail the stickers out to each member one time only and will hold them at the Branch if they are returned by Canada Post.

For all NEW members, those that have come in and filled out applications, for those that have joined online and for all our Veteran Welcome Program members, WELCOME to Branch #256 Stony Plain. As we will not be able to have a Welcome Initiation anytime in the near future I will mail your card to you when I receive it, you will have to drop into the Branch one day when we are open to pick up your Legion pin, they do not mail well.

Fundraising... the Cash Raffle sold out and the draw for winners on Nov. 11th for the 3 prizes were \$6000 Graeme Dawes, \$3000 Kathy Gates and \$1000 Mike Rees, Congratulations!. A profit from the ticket sales which will go to Meridian Housing Foundation for Folkstone Manor and Housing for Veterans in Stony Plain, was realized of \$9508.60. Many THANKS, I cant say it enough, how I appreciate every single one of you who sold and bought tickets for this worthy Veteran cause.

I have done a year end report for Fundraising and even though it was a tough year The Branch/Volunteers fundraised a total of \$24,994.16 in 2020.

There will be no Dec. Gun Show, it has been cancelled.

Pat Hale

To Members of Stony Plain Legion #256  
On Nov 6,7,11 and 13 there was possible exposure to COVID in our Branch. Members that where in direct contact with these individuals where called and informed of possible exposure. We where in contact with the health inspector and where told we only needed to contact those that where in direct contact. As we are being asked by our government if you have symptoms please call 811 and be tested.

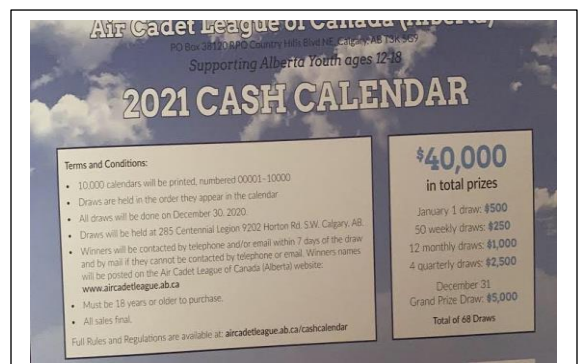
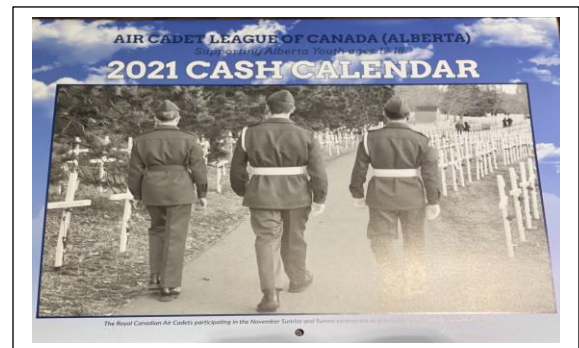
For more information

<https://www.albertahealthservices.ca/topics/Page17199.aspx>

Thank You

Jim Stover- Public Relations

For information contact 755 Parkland Air Cadets at 780-283-0208 or by email [755sscvicechair@gmail.com](mailto:755sscvicechair@gmail.com)





# 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 **FEES** 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**.

From your Membership chair Pat Hale, October's two winners of free membership are Keith Epton and Brian Klashinsky. Congratulations and thank you for paying your 2021 dues early. There will be one more draw at the end of November for free membership.

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Back in the woods, a redneck's wife went into labor in the middle of the night, and the doctor was called out to assist in the delivery. Since there was no electricity, the doctor handed the father-to-be a lantern and said, "Here, you hold this high so I can see what I'm doing." Soon a baby boy was brought into the world. "Whoa there," said the doctor. "Don't be in a rush to put the lantern down..... I think there's yet another one to come." Sure enough, within minutes he had delivered a baby girl. "No, no, don't be in a great hurry to be putting down that lantern... It seems there's yet another one in there!" cried the doctor. The redneck scratched his head in bewilderment, and asked the doctor, "Do you think it's the light that's attractin' 'em?"

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What is the Canadian military known for?

The **Canadian Armed Forces** are the land, naval and air forces commanded by the federal government for the purpose of defending **Canada's** security, protecting its citizens, and promoting its strategic interests at home or abroad.

How many soldiers does Canada have? As of 2020, the Canadian Army has **23,000** regular soldiers, **19,000** reserve soldiers (including 5,300 members of the Canadian Rangers), for a total of 42,000 soldiers. The Army is also supported by 3,000 civilian employees from the civil service.

What is Canada's most elite unit?  
**Joint Task Force 2**

Joint Task **Force 2** (JTF2) is **Canada's elite** special operations **unit** responsible for counterterrorism. Nov 30, 2010




## WHAT'S HAPPENING AT BRANCH 256

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**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