

# Support The Troops. Uxbridge Rally April 21st



A few of our supporters left to right front row: Patricia & John Price, Reg Sherren, Bruce Sharpe, Agnes Morris and Gloria Cameron..



Trevor Smith, far left and Bruce Sharpe, far right with a former Afghanistan citizen..

# District F Convention Belleville



Comrades Emma Smith, Colin Taylor and Cyril Best in the closing parade.



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Installation of the new Zone Commanders. Jim Corbitt F1 far right.



Installation of the new Deputy Zone Commanders. Lorraine Duncan F1 far right.

# Provincial Convention

## Ottawa

The following is an excerpt from the report Gord Moore, Provincial President gave to the delegates at this year's convention in Ottawa.

"First, I want to thank each delegate for taking the time to attend this convention. No doubt there will be a number of interesting topics to be discussed during the next three days. And the priority that will affect all of the delegates and the elected officers who are taking part in this convention is MEMBERSHIP.

Over the past number of years, different Membership Chairmen at Zone, District, Provincial and Dominion levels have come through with different ideas and suggestions on how to retain the members we already have and how to recruit new members into the fold of this proud organization. Some of the ideas had potential and others did not, in some members' minds. We all agree that membership must be a priority for everyone to embrace and we need to come to some sort of agreement on how we can stop the bleeding of our membership within our branches before it is too late.

I have a suggestion, but how well it will be accepted I am not sure. Here are a few of my thoughts on what is causing some of the problems with membership. First, the number of complaints the Command staff receives on a weekly basis is unbelievable. The overall majority of these complaints that Comrade Dave Gordon has to deal with are frivolous complaints that should not come across his desk. My personal opinion is that these are the type of complaints that are tearing or dividing this great organization apart. These types of complaints should be handled by the senior elected officers of the branch behind closed doors and not anywhere else.

I don't think we will see a turn-around in membership in the near future unless the Legion, goes back to the basics of HOW, WHY and for WHOM this great organization was built. Somewhere along the way, I think we have forgotten from where we all have come. We, the members of Ontario Command, have to say that NOW is the time to start working with each other, to start communicating with each other..... the way our VETERANS taught each of us during their time as the leaders in the branches. I pray and hope that this process will begin very quickly before we see our great organization disappear before our eyes."