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Last Post



*They shall grow not old
As we that are left grow old
Age shall not weary them
Nor the years condemn
At the going down of the sun
And in the morning
"We Will Remember Them"*

Lest We Forget Lest We Forget

Condolence

To the families of Branch 322 Members

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Editor's Notes



While working on the new member gallery, I got to thinking about why I joined the Legion. My father was a Veteran and a Legion member and I can remember us all sitting around the kitchen table listening to his many stories about the War. When he passed away, I decided that I wanted to join the Legion and help to perpetuate the Remembrance of all those like my father who gave so much for the freedom and prosperity we enjoy today.

I also wanted the opportunity to make new friends, to become more involved in our community and to offer my leadership skills and years of business experience to an organization that does so much.

So I joined the Ajax Branch and jumped in with both feet and got involved in what I felt I could use my skills to the best advantage. Sure it's been a lot of work and a lot of long hours but what a great feeling of accomplishment I've felt when the day ended with another job well done. Not all rewards are brought about by a pay check. Those rewards we hold most dear in our hearts are those we feel from making a difference and helping others.

That is why I joined the Legion; to gain the most priceless rewards that life can bring us, friendship, honour, pride and achievement.

I hope all our members feel the same way and do what they can for our Branch.

Yours in Comradeship
Doug Smith
Public Relations Officer

President's Report



I was very pleased with the Poppy Campaign this year. We raised approximately \$50,000 for our Veterans. My thanks to all the volunteers who went out Poppy tagging and the committee members who spent long hours working during the campaign.

Our Children's Christmas party was well attended despite the snow storm that day. Everyone had a good time. Thanks to the chair Chester McConnell and all of his volunteers along with the Ladies Auxiliary who donated their time to make sure the children had a great day.

Our special events committee has been doing a marvelous job. The Valentine's Day Sock Hop and the St Patrick's Day Dance were both very successful and well attended.

Our new glass doors are finally installed and it didn't cost us anything thanks to donations from OPG, Veridian and Siemens. They make quite a difference to our entrance. The old doors were definitely a safety hazard and thank goodness no one was hurt.

Our new member drive is going quite well. We did a mailing and the response was amazing. We've initiated over 40 members during the last three months and membership forms are still coming in. I hope all the new members come out to enjoy our Club room and support the Branch and all our events.

Our Zone and District Conventions are fast approaching and we are preparing our representatives. The Zone Convention was held at Branch 170 Uxbridge on Sunday March 30th. The District Convention will be held at Branch 110 Trenton from April 25th to April 27th. We are also making plans for the Dominion Convention to be held in Ottawa on June 22nd to June 25th.

Finally, thank you to the Executive Committee, the Ladies Auxiliary and all the volunteers who give their time and work so hard for the Branch.

Yours In Comradeship
Mike O'Hara