

# THE DUFFLEBAG

COLLINGWOOD LEGION BRANCH #63

NOVEMBER 2021



## President's Message

Much has changed since my last report for the *Dufflebag* in September.

The government has just lifted capacity restrictions for many venues, including ours.

The U.S. border has opened up effective November 8th, allowing our snowbirds the opportunity to get to their places again. Things are indeed looking up.

Unfortunately with outdoor gatherings to the general public still capped at 100 our Remembrance Day service will be very scaled back as it was last year. This is disappointing but hopefully next year will see a return to a full parade.

I am very pleased that Ruby Klinck has agreed to serve as Silver Cross Lady for this year. She is a long time member of both the Branch and the L.A. and a long serving member of our Executive committee.

We are excited to welcome our Bingo players back starting November 1st.



Please continue to be safe and keep in mind that our battle with Covid is not yet over. We have worked hard and done well, let's keep going in the right direction.

All the best  
Rob

### **PRESIDENT'S REPORT: Ladies Auxiliary**



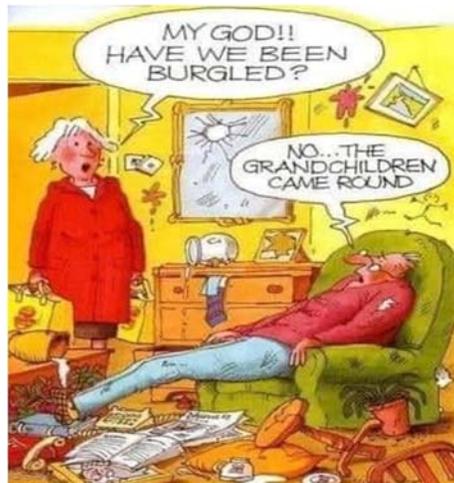
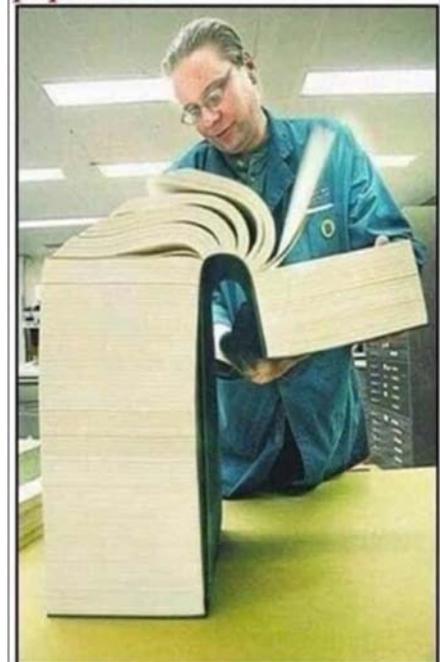
I am happy to report that the Auxiliary held its first General Meeting in 18 months on October 14th . The meeting was well attended and we saw several people that haven't been out in a few years. The ladies enjoyed a potluck which could have fed several armies and it was excellent .

Since the Branch has reopened we have been able to cater to several Celebrations of Life and we have a few on the books . We also have started to book rentals and will need dishwashers ( give me a call ).

Everything is still very far from normal, between capacity limits and the requirements for vaccinations we are having to adapt at every turn . I think each and every one of us is just waiting for all of this to come to an end .

Yours in comradeship  
Sue Muller  
LA President

*Just letting you know that the book, "Understanding Women" is now out in paperback*



**ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION**  
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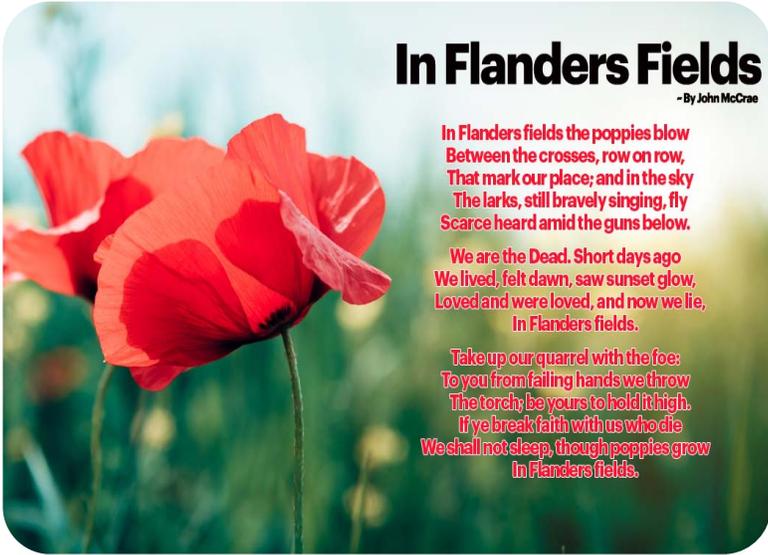
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**Standing Committees**

**POPPY REPORT**



For the second year in a row, we are saddened to share that we can only hold an abbreviated service at the Cenotaph for 2021. Out of an abundance of caution, the decision has also been made not to have taggers again this year. As we rely on both our oldest and youngest supporters to tag, we feel at this time that their safety must remain a top concern.

During last year's unprecedented circumstances, I truly thought that we would need a miracle to have a successful campaign, and that is exactly what we experienced. The community supported our Poppy campaign like never before, and we were able to donate over \$40,000.00 to support veterans, both young and old. We are hopeful that the 2021 campaign will be equally as successful, as

we know that our local citizens care deeply for this important, Annual Fundraiser.

Yours in Comradeship  
Hans Muller and Jamie Berman,  
Co-Chairs of the 2021 Poppy Campaign

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**WHAT CAUSES ARTHRITIS?**

*A man smelling of booze and cigarettes sat down on a subway next to a priest. His tie was stained, there was red lipstick on his collar and face and a half-empty bottle of gin was sticking out of his torn coat pocket. He opened his newspaper and began reading.*

*After a few minutes the man turned to the priest and asked, "Tell me Father, do you happen to know what causes arthritis?"*

*The priest replies, "My son, it's caused by loose living, consorting with cheap, wicked women, too much alcohol, contempt for your fellow man, sleeping around with prostitutes and lack of a bath."*

*The drunk muttered in response, "Well, I'll be damned", then returned to his paper.*

*The priest, thinking about what he had said, nudged the man and apologized. "I'm very sorry. I didn't mean to come on so strong. How long have you had arthritis?"*

*The man answered, "I don't have it, Father. I was just reading here that the Pope suffers from it."*

**MORAL: Make sure you understand the question before offering the answer.**

## EDITOR'S DESK

As I was thinking about what story to tell about Remembrance Day I came across a Reader's Digest article titled **'29 Powerful True Stories of Canadian Veterans to Read for Remembrance Day'** as I started to read I realized how hard it would be to choose just a few of them. In case you would like to read more than the few that I picked out here is the link : <https://www.readersdigest.ca/travel/canada/remembrance-day-veteran-stories/>



**On Nov. 11, remember the bravery of those who have served the True North Strong and Free with these harrowing veteran stories.**



In comradeship  
Sue

## Rest in Peace



My brother, Wallace, was born on July 14, 1923 to David M. Ross and Kate L. Ross of Dirleton, Alta. He enlisted in the RAF in 1942 and, after training as a tail gunner, was sent overseas and based at Skellingthorpe, England with RAF 50 Squadron. On a scheduled bombing run to Lille, France, their Lancaster LM 429 was shot down and crashed on the night of May 11, 1944 near Oostvleteren, Belgium, resulting in the loss of all crew members including Don Ball, air gunner age 22; Frank McFarlan, PO, age 20; James Elliott, navigator F/Sgt, age 20; Leonard Craven, air gunner, age 22; Doug Ingram, flight engineer, age unknown; Robert Cunningham, gunner, age 22; Wallace Ross, PO air gunner, age 21. They rest in Collective Grave II in Oostvleteren Churchyard in Belgium. The headstone reads, "Safe in the Arms of Jesus in Loving Memory of Wally from us all at home—Mom." —*Harvey Ross, Calgary*

## Canada's 'Youngest Soldier'



On September 7, 1939, just three days before Canada declared war on Germany, my paternal grandfather enlisted in the Canadian Army. Three months later, he told my grandmother that he was being shipped to England. She was heartbroken, so heartbroken that she raised enough money to take her and my dad by train to Halifax and then by ship, the Duchess of Bedford, to England. She arrived in Liverpool in March 1940 with just \$68 tucked in her brassiere.

Shortly after arriving, my dad, Bruce Steel, became the official mascot of the Canadian Overseas Army and Canada's "youngest soldier" at nine years of age. He was given the rank of Lance Corporal and for the next four years, he paraded and trained with the First Division across all of England, marching proudly at the front of his regiment and on several occasions was reviewed by royalty. Upon his return to Canada in 1944, Dad completed high school, joined the Canadian Armed Forces in 1949 (where he spent the next 24 years until his retirement in 1974), married my mom in 1952 and had four daughters.

He and my mom presently reside in Brentwood Bay on Vancouver Island. —*Debra Patterson, Stony Plain, Alberta*

## Always Ready



Lee-Anne Quinn has the distinction of being the Honorary Lieutenant Colonel of the Hastings and Prince Edward Regiment, one of Canada's most prestigious infantry regiments that forms part of 33 Canadian Brigade Group within Land Force Central Area / Joint Task Force Central.

She is the first female chosen, in the regiment's 150-year-old existence, and I asked her to tell me about her life in service.

"There is no greater honour than to care for an injured soldier," Lee-Anne says. "It is a humbling experience as a nurse practitioner as you become their mother, padre, mental-health support and confidante."

Lee-Anne has been asked by many people why she decided not to go to med school instead, and her response is always the same.

"If I became a physician, then I could never aspire to be Florence Nightingale! My ultimate hero. As nurses in the field, we are the first up and the last to go to bed," says Quinn. "I have 22 years in the Canadian Forces. Absolutely loved my career and all of the experiences it offered and would not change a thing. I did missions in Somalia, Rwanda, former Yugoslavia, Afghanistan and several postings to First Nations and Inuit communities."

For her work in isolated First Nations and Inuit communities in Northern Ontario, Quinn did in fact win the prestigious Nightingale Award in 2003.

She received the Governor General's Award (Medal of Military Merit) in 2007 and the Queen's Jubilee Medal in 2012.

"No one ever told me it was going to be easy," said Lee-Anne. "I was a broken soldier at the end of my career but the Canadian Forces looked after me well and I am here to talk about my experiences today. I believe every human deserves to be treated humanely and we as humans need to do a better job at maintaining world peace."

My brief encounter with Lee-Anne left an inspirational impact. The combination of caring, kindness, dedication and duty defined the humble woman I met.

May Canadians take comfort in the fact there have always been, and always will be, dedicated souls who choose careers as military nurses in the Canadian Forces. Lee-Anne's allegiance and "always ready" attitude are to be honoured and remembered. —*Lynn C. Bilton, Cobourg, Ontario*

## Proud Daughter



My father, Bernard Bernie" MacDonald Holmes, was born in 1924 in Benito, Manitoba. He and his 10 siblings were raised by their parents, Dan and Vera, on a farm in the Thunderhill District. Bernie joined the army at 19 and went overseas in 1943, becoming a member of the 1st Canadian Armoured Carrier Regiment, also known as the Canadian Kangaroos.

Bernie was a tank driver. The tanks he and his mates operated had their internal guns removed in order to carry more men—approximately 11 soldiers could be transported safely without those guns. He was stationed in France and then Holland, where he experienced the celebrations on May 5, 1945—Liberation Day for the grateful people of the Netherlands—and on May 8, VE-Day, which marked the end of the war in Europe. As there were many thousands of men and women serving overseas, Bernie had to wait his turn to come home. It took nine months before he was shipped back to Canada, during which time he took a job in a library in London.

He and my mother, Madeline Puffer, were married in May 1947, and they, along with my three siblings and me, lived on a small farm in Manitoba for many years. The family moved to central Alberta in 1970, where I still reside, as does my brother, Keven.

Sadly, Dad passed away on February 12, 2004.—Daylene Shaw, Rocky Mountain House, Alberta

## Eternal Thanks



My uncle, George Clifford Armstrong, was born in Denzil, Saskatchewan, in 1914. He enlisted in January 1942 and saw active duty in France, Germany, Belgium and Holland as a signalman. He returned home in 1945.

In 1980, he was one of the many soldiers who received tulip bulbs and a lovely thank you letter from a family in Holland for his part in the liberation of the Netherlands. George was active in the Vancouver Legion until his death in 2002. —Lucille Chisholm, Delta, B.C.

## Decorated for His Service



My father, Harry T. H. Stewart (QR2), was born in Fort William, Ontario, on January 23, 1925. He joined the *HMCS Griffin* in Port Arthur, Ontario, in 1940 after lying about his age. His basic training was done in Port Arthur and Esquimalt, B.C. He served on merchant navy ships as a gunner aboard the *Lafontaine Park* and the *Gatineau Park*. He sailed the high seas in 1941 and saw action in the Mediterranean and the Indian Ocean. Harry was in Liverpool, England, carrying supplies when the war ended. He returned to Canada in 1945 and was discharged from the navy in 1946.

He received both the Burma Star and the Atlantic Star for his service. —Penny Brown, Prince George, B.C.



# BINGO IS BACK

AFTER MORE THAN 80 WEEKS, BINGO IS BACK STARTING ON MONDAY NOVEMBER 1ST AT THE COLLINGWOOD LEGION. SELLING BEGINS AT 5:30 pm and Bingo begins at 6:45pm. SAME PROGRAM, SAME PRICES...

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## YOUTH EDUCATION

The information for the poster, poems and essays has been received to the schools with a great response for continuing the program under COVID. All safety precautions have been implemented.

Schools will be contacted by email except for any hand delivered information that is pertaining to the program.

We welcome a new School Notre-Dame de la Huronie.

The judging will be November 27th at the Legion. A French judge will be added to judge this section of the program.

Youth Education chair  
 Yours in Comradship  
 Nancy Phillips 705-445-2489  
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## SICK AND VISITING

This is my report since last time. I sent a Get Well card to Nancy Phillips at home after her knee surgery. .I also sent a Sympathy card to the family of Garry Barber in his passing.

This is my short report for November so stay safe comrades with this COVID slowly slowing down??

Yours In the Best of Health  
Ruby Klinck  
Sick and Visiting Chair



## SILVER CROSS LADY

Branch 63 has named its Silver Cross Lady for 2021 and she is the wife of an Army Veteran and the mother of a Navy Veteran. Long-time Legion Comrade Ruby Klinck will carry the honor this year on November 11th.

A native of Sudbury, Ontario Comrade Ruby and her family moved to Singhampton when she was only two weeks old. Elementary school followed in Singhampton and a move to Collingwood followed where she attended Senior Public School and then Collingwood Collegiate.

As a teenager she moved to Toronto to live with her sister. Ruby was the youngest of six siblings made up of four girls and two boys. She moved back to Collingwood at the age 19 and married Herb an Army Veteran who joined the Canadian Military in 1959.

It becomes apparent that she is proud of her family and more so her father and mother who were hard working farmers.

Ruby became a Ladies Auxiliary member of Branch 63 in 1994 and then became a Branch member in 1999.

She was an avid dart player attending Zone, District and Provincial tournaments. She also took part in euchre events for the Legion.

Ruby has served on many committees including Honor and Awards, Sick and Visiting, Contact Centre, Veteran Affairs among others. As a LA member she has done many functions such as weddings, banquets and the making of many sandwiches.

She talks with pride of her son, a Veteran of nine years service in the Royal Canadian Navy who served aboard HMCS Toronto and two other ships. She took courses with regards to Sick and Visiting and has held that position for 20 years.

She was quick to add that she owed Pat Graham and Ken Templeman for their help with Sick and Visiting.

Her records show that she makes visits, send cards and other events at least one every two weeks.

She is also a proud grandmother of three and great-grandmother of one.

She said when President Rob Graham contacted her about the Silver Cross she thought he wanted her to escort the Lady on the 11th. But when she was told she was to be the one she was thrilled.

"This is a real honor and I am so pleased to be asked. I am thrilled to be asked to represent other ladies."

Comrade Donald Wilcox  
PRO Branch 63



Powerful.....Joshua Dyer (aged 14) was tasked at school to write a poem for Remembrance Day. An hour later (without any help) he produced this..



## ONE THOUSAND MEN ARE WALKING

One thousand men are walking  
 Walking side by side  
 Singing songs from home  
 The spirit as their guide  
 they walk toward the light milord  
 they walk towards the sun  
 they smoke and laugh and smile together  
 no foes to outrun  
 these men live on forever  
 in the hearts of those they saved  
 a Nation truly grateful  
 for the path of peace they paved  
 they march as friends and comrades  
 but they do not march for war  
 step closer to salvation  
 a tranquil steady corps

the meadows lit with golden beams  
 a beacon for the brave  
 the emerald grass untrampled  
 a reward for what they gave  
 they dream of those they left behind  
 and know they dream of them  
 forever in those poppy fields  
 there walks one thousand men

Joshua Dyer 2019 (aged 14)  
 Lest we forget



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*Grandpa is the smartest man on earth! He teaches me good things, but I don't get to see him enough to get as smart as him!*

*My Grandparents are funny. When they bend over, you hear gas leaks, and they blame their dog.*

**You don't have to be a Veteran to join the Legion!**



When you join the Legion, you support the many services we offer to Veterans, serving military, RCMP members, and their families.

**MEMBERSHIP REPORT**

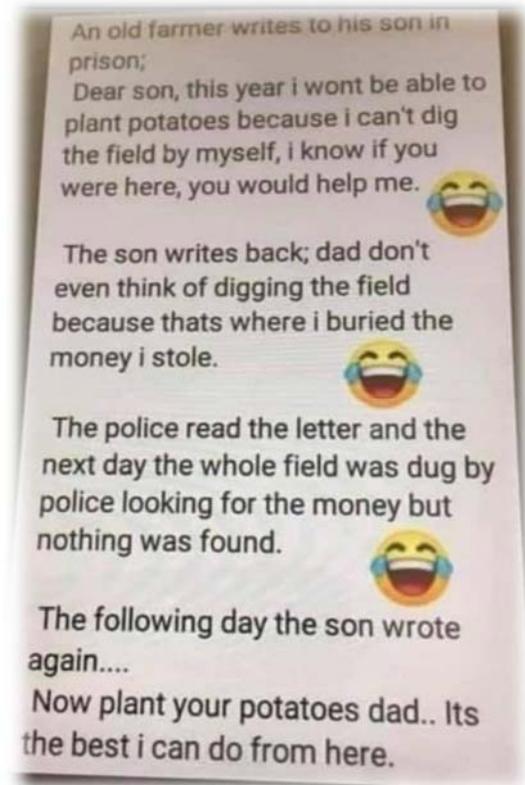
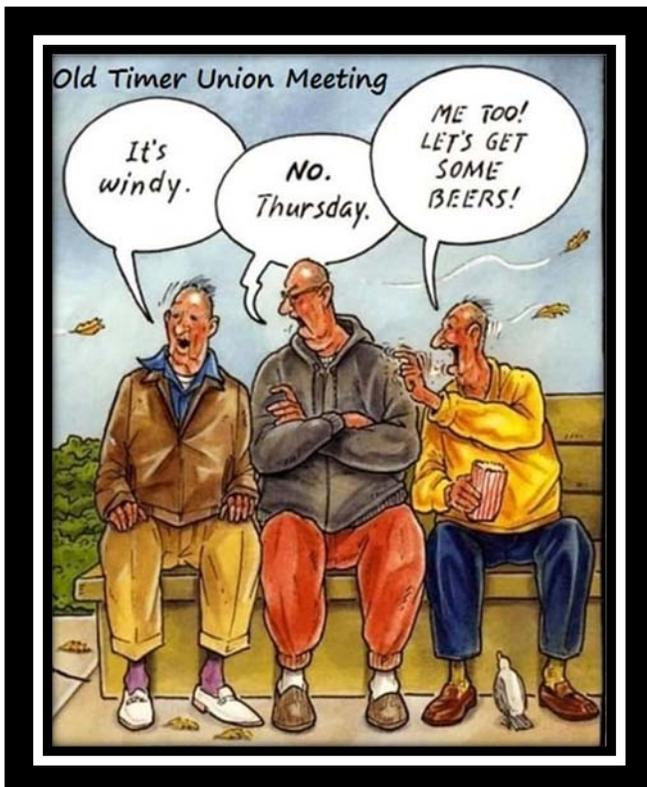
Please welcome the following new members to Branch 63. Lorne Barlett, an Ordinary Member, Lois Urquhart-Musselman an Associate, William Girard, an Ordinary Member, Jim Bertram, an Ordinary Member and Sam Fleming, an Associate. The following have transferred their memberships to our Branch, David Poll an Ordinary Member transferring in from Dominion Command.

Please extend a big welcome to the above New Members to Collingwood. I look forward to meeting all of them soon and hope to see them in the Branch, now that we have opened again.

2022 Renewals are now due. The early bird rate of \$60 is available until November 30 2021 and then goes up to \$65 after that date. If you have not paid a previous year you can still pay for the previous year missed and maintain your years of membership. If you do not wish to pay for past years, you can just pay for the current year. You will lose any past service time and you will get a new card which reflects that you have 1 year of service.

Remember that you can also renew on line. Just go to legion.ca and you can use your credit card to renew your membership. Once I get notification that you have renewed I will mail you your 2022 sticker. Please take this opportunity to make sure that we have your current address on file.

Yours in Comradeship  
Pat Graham  
Membership Chair



## TRIVIA



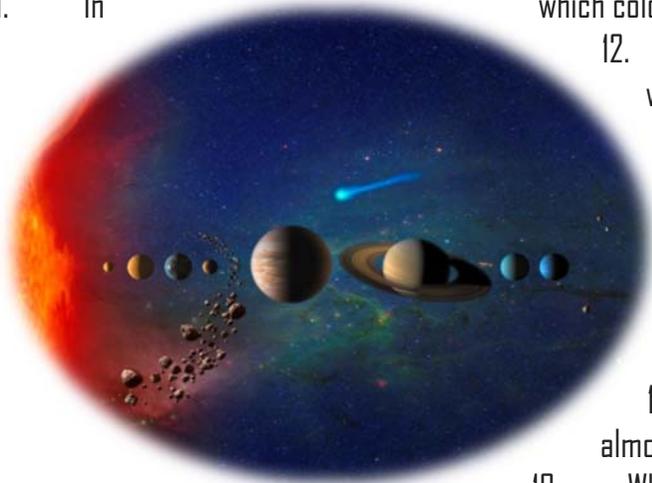
Do you know? There is no sound in the air, which means no atmosphere in Space. Because the sound has no medium or way to travel to be heard, Astronauts use radios to stay in communication while in Space. Since radio waves can still be sent and received it is rather a good means to convey messages to one another in space.

This page is full of incredible, inspiring, and unbelievable facts about space. Just scroll down by answering the given

questions. For sure it will give you updated and insane knowledge about Space.

### Space trivia

1. Which planet is the hottest planet in the solar system?
2. Of all the planets in our solar system (apart from Earth), which planet is the one most likely to be hospitable to life?
3. Which stars in space can spin 600 times per second?
4. How many percent of the Solar system takes up the Sun's mass.
5. Which volcano on Mars is three times the size of Everest?
6. Which thing in the solar system was once a piece of earth?
7. How long is 1 day in space?
8. What is the reason, you would not be able to walk on Jupiter, Saturn, Uranus, or Neptune?
9. How many times an asteroid about the size of a car enters Earth's atmosphere?
10. Where is the highest mountain known to man is found in space?
11. In which color the sunset on Mars appears?
12. Which thing is present more on earth than stars in a milky way?
13. One day on which planet is longer than one year?
14. How far is our Milky Way galaxy from the nearest other galaxies?
15. Have you ever wonder why stars twinkle and planets do not?
16. Which planet's atmosphere rains diamonds?
17. Which telescope is the most famous telescope which is almost 44-feet long?
18. Which hole is a place in space where the gravitational pull is so strong that even light cannot get out?
19. Which black hole was first discovered in the 1960s, and it's 10 times more massive than the Sun?
20. Does our Milky Way have a larger black hole?
21. What is the weight of the gigantic black hole lurking in the heart of our galaxy?



## TRIVIA ANSWERS

1. Venus
2. Mars
3. Neutron stars
4. About 99.86%
5. Olympus Mons
6. The Moon was once a piece of the Earth.
7. Its 90 minutes
8. Because they have no solid surface
9. Roughly once a year but it burns up before it reaches us
10. On an asteroid called Vesta
11. In blue color
12. Trees
13. Planet Venus
14. Its 2.5 million light-years away
15. Because of Earth's atmosphere.
16. On gas giants Saturn and Jupiter
17. The Hubble Space Telescope
18. The Black Hole
19. Cygnus X-1
20. Yes
21. The weight of 4 million suns.



Research of Yale University scientists suggests that there is a rocky planet called 55 Cancri e. It has a radius twice that of Earth and a mass eight times greater. It may have a surface made up of graphite and diamond. It's 40 light-years away but visible to the naked eye in the constellation of Cancer. Some more impressive facts like this are yet to come. Space quiz NASA

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***A grandfather was delivering his grandchildren to their home one day when a fire truck zoomed past. Sitting in the front seat of the fire truck was a Dalmatian dog. The children started discussing the dog's duties. "They use him to keep crowds back," offered one child. "No," said another, "he's just for good luck." A third child brought the argument to a close. "They use the dogs," she said firmly, "to find the fire hydrants."***

**MUSEUM REPORT**

I offer a big thanks to local artist Dave Saunders for his donation of a watercolour painting which can be seen on display in the salute to our Veterans in the western case that honors Veterans of Canada and the battles they took part in, There is also a Salute to Peacekeepers. The painting will hang in the Branch after the display is changed. The Salute has been done with books, an idea I borrowed from a Northern Legion.

As always we are in need of volunteers in the museum. One of the big jobs I would like to finish is the sorting of photographs. We have hundreds. Once they are sorted I will seek albums to put them in so all can enjoy them and see the history of the Branch in photographs.



Until next time Be Safe and Stay Healthy.

Lest we Forget.  
Comrade Don Wilcox  
Chair

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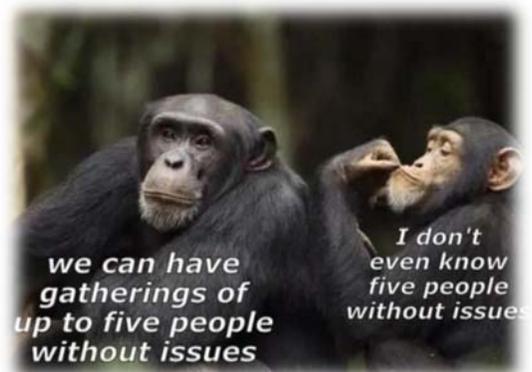
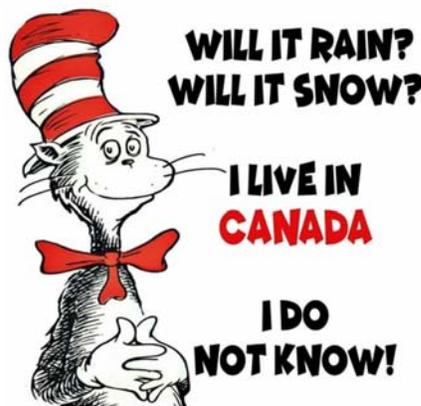
**PRO REPORT**

Things are starting to get back to normal at the Branch as Bingo is underway as of the beginning of the month; Ladies Auxiliary had a meeting in October with a pot luck meal to follow; Executive meetings continue and some darts are returning. So maybe we can see something called "Normal" in the near future.

Don't forget Comrade Hans may need your help on the Poppy Campaign and on that issue we thank the cadets for their help.

Having missed the last Executive Meeting I missed the plans for the 11th but by the time you read this I am sure we all know.

Comrade Don Wilcox  
PR Officer





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### **WEB PAGE REPORT**

Our web page is still out there. (collingwoodlegion.ca) . The current issue of *The Dufflebag* and the past two issues are on the site along with some Branch history and pictures. We are planning to have up to 6 past *Dufflebags* on the web page so you will be able to enjoy past issues that you may have missed. As always, any ideas or contributions are always welcomed.

Pat Graham  
Web Page Coordinator

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### **SICK AND VISITING LADIES AUXILIARY**

Ladies had the first General Meeting on October 14.

Flowers where sent to Marylou Simanato.

Get Well cards were sent to Nancy Phillips, Doris Larkin, Nancy.

Hope everyone is well.  
Yours in Comradeship  
Sharon Helmer  
Chair

LAST POST**GARRY "TUB" BARBER**

Garry passed away peacefully surrounded by the love of his family on Friday, September 17, 2021 at Campbell House. Garry will be deeply missed by his wife Patty. Forever remembered by his children, Jeremy (Cheryl Crowther) and Shelley (Mark Everitt). Cherished grandfather of 4.

Garry was a member of Branch 63 for 14 years. He will be missed by all of his friends at the Branch.

**BURLOCK, Joe**

Joe passed away on Oct.6, 2021 at Campbell House, surrounded by his family in his 95th year. Joe was the beloved husband of Bertha for over 72 years. Loving father of Doug and his wife Linda. Grandfather of Joe(Michelle) and Great Grandchildren Ty and Talden. He was a member of the Vet Army who served with the Royal Canadian Armed Forces. He was a long time member of Clearview Community Church and of the Collingwood Legion. For many years Joe would bring Bertha to the Monday Night Bingo. Once she was settled in, Joe would go over to the club side where he enjoyed socializing and throwing the odd dart. Joe will be missed by all of us at the Legion.

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## SPORTS REPORT

At this time there are no Branch sports functions being held.

Yours in Comradeship  
Bert Brennan  
Sports Chair

### **WHO'S YOUR DADDY**

*A certain little girl, when asked her name, would reply, "I'm Mr. Sugarbrown's daughter."*

*Her mother told her this was wrong, she must say, "I'm Jane Sugarbrown."*

*The Vicar spoke to her in Sunday School, and said, "Aren't you Mr. Sugarbrown's daughter?" She replied, "I thought I was, but mother says I'm not."*

### **RESURRECTION**

*The minister started his Children's Sermon with a question, "Who knows what a Resurrection is?"*

*Without missing a beat a young boy says, "If you have one lasting more than 4 hours call your physician."*

*The pastor is still laughing.*

## THIS MONTH IN HISTORY

### November 8, 1946



Viola Desmond refuses to leave a whites-only area in a movie theatre. For her resistance against racism, she will be jailed, convicted and fined.

The court case of this businesswoman from Nova Scotia will be the first known legal challenge against racial segregation by a Black woman in Canada. She will be pardoned posthumously by the Government of Nova Scotia in 2010, 63 years after her arrest.

This icon of human rights and freedom in Canada will be the first woman on the new \$10 banknote in 2018.

### November 9, 1942



German spy Werner von Janowski is dropped off on the Gaspé Peninsula near the town of New Carlisle, Quebec, by submarine U-518 during the Second World War.

Locals find his behaviour suspicious, and he is arrested 12 hours later when he boards a train for Montréal. Janowski will agree to become a double agent. Despite the information he will provide, U-boat 518 will never be located. He will later be incarcerated and sent to an internment camp until 1947.

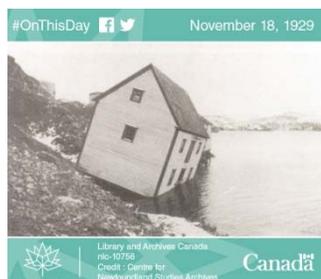
### November 11, 1918



The First World War ends at six o'clock in the morning; a ceasefire starts at eleven o'clock. More than 650,000 Canadian men and women served overseas during the war. Some 66,000 of them lost their lives on the battlefields, and 172,000 were wounded.

Since 1919, Remembrance Day is observed throughout the Commonwealth, to commemorate the signing of the armistice that officially definitively ended the bloody conflict and to remember those who fought for our country. Every November 11, two minutes of silence mark the eleventh hour, in memory of fallen soldiers.

### November 18, 1929



A tsunami, caused by a 7.2-magnitude earthquake at the bottom of the Atlantic Ocean, hits the shores of Newfoundland.

The tremor is felt as far away as New York and Montréal. Waves travelling at over 100 km/h lash the shoreline, devastating 40 coastal villages in Newfoundland. On the Burin Peninsula, the sea level rises from 2 to 7 metres.

Twenty-eight people perish in this disaster.

## November 25, 1944



**HMCS Shawinigan** is torpedoed by German submarine U-1228 while leaving the port of Sydney, Nova Scotia, on a patrol mission. The vessel sinks in the Cabot Strait, with the loss of its entire crew of 91.

This tragedy is the heaviest loss of life for the Royal Canadian Navy during the Battle of the Gulf of St. Lawrence.

## November 30, 1924



RCA carries out the first successful wireless transmission of photographs by radio from London, England, to New York, United States. The wireless transmission was made possible through the use of technology developed by Canadian inventor William Stephenson.

The photographs transmitted by radio feature individuals, government documents, and a short text with a Chinese proverb meaning "a picture is worth a thousand words."

William Stephenson invented the wirephoto, a radio facsimile method of transmitting pictures without telephone or telegraph wires (the precursor to the fax!), while an engineering student at the University of Manitoba.

Stephenson enlisted with the Canadian military engineers in 1914 and joined the Royal Flying Corps in 1915. He moved to the United Kingdom in 1921, where he developed and patented his inventions.

Code-named "Intrepid," the Canadian inventor will be in charge of a British counterespionage network during the Second World War.

## MATH LESSONS

A little boy was doing his math homework. He said to himself,

"Two plus five, that son of a bitch is seven. Three plus six, that son of a bitch is nine..."

His mother heard what he was saying and gasped, "What are you doing?" The little boy answered, "I'm doing my math homework, Mom."

"And this is how your teacher taught you to do it?" the mother asked.

"Yes," he answered.

Infuriated, the mother asked the teacher, "What are you teaching my son in math?"

The teacher replied, "Right now, we are learning addition."

The mother asked, "And are you teaching them to say two plus two, that son of a bitch is four?"

After the teacher stopped laughing, she answered, "What I taught them was, two plus two, **THE SUM OF WHICH**, is four."

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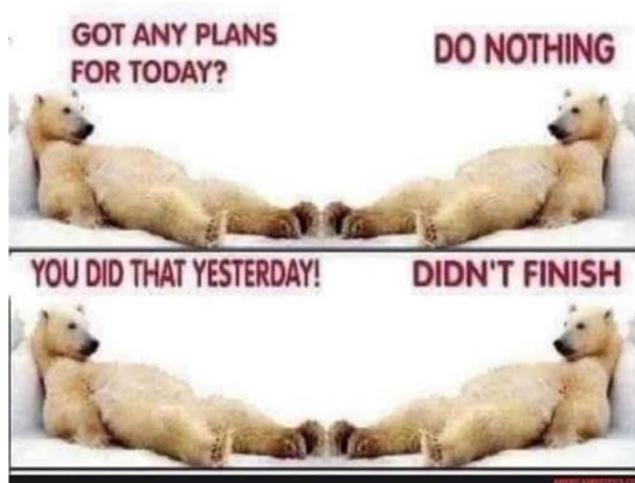
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"I told him as an expert in the field I strongly recommend wearing it, but he just kept bringing up his 'rights.'"



## HONESTY

*It was that time, during the Sunday morning service, for the children's sermon.*

*All the children were invited to come forward. One little girl was wearing a particularly pretty dress and, as she sat down, the pastor leaned over and said, "That is a very pretty dress. Is it your Easter Dress?" The little girl replied, directly into the pastor's clip-on microphone, "Yes, and my Mom says it's a bitch to iron."*

## REALITY

*One day the first grade teacher was reading the story of Chicken Little to her class. She came to the part of the story where Chicken Little tried to warn the farmer. She read, "... and so Chicken Little went up to the farmer and said, "The sky is falling, the sky is falling!"*

*The teacher paused then asked the class, "And what do you think that farmer said?"*

*One little girl raised her hand and said, "I think he said: 'Holy shit! A talking chicken!'" The teacher was unable to teach for the next 10 minutes.*

# CARTOONS FOR FUN

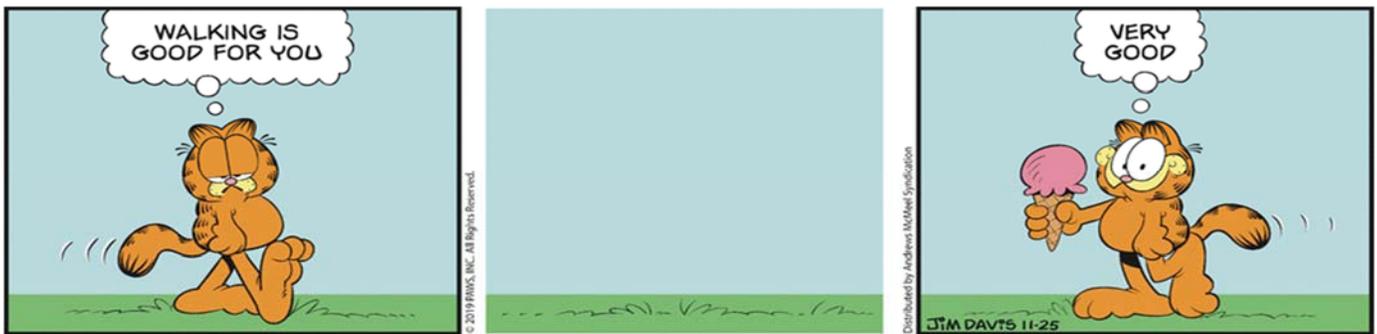
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