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REMEMBRANCE DAY

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“Without freedom
there can be no
ensuring peace and
without peace no
enduring freedom.”

~King George VI at the
dedication of the National
War Memorial
(Ottawa, May 21, 1939)

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Dear Friends,

As in the past, I am sending this special Remembrance Day mailing to help our community in remembrance. This year marks the 100 year anniversary of both the Battle of Vimy Ridge and the Battle of Passchendaele, and the 75th Anniversary of the Dieppe Raid..

Further, there are several ways that we can ensure that we pay special tribute to our Canadian war heroes by, for instance, wearing a poppy which has been a clear symbol of commemoration since the immediate aftermath of the WWI. Reflection in silence for two minutes is also a common way of remembering on November 11th of every year. These minutes, although short, provide us opportunity to think about the past, our heroes lost and returned, and those who serve today. Another way to remember is to visit the numerous war memorials that have been erected in the city, country and worldwide that are in many instances the only memory that we have of many soldiers.

And as you will see, below I have included a mail back card that I will be presenting to the local veterans at our legions. Please take the time to thank our veterans, and remember them and our lost heroes not only on Remembrance Day, but every day.

Ultimately, I encourage everyone who can, to participate in this year's **Remembrance Day ceremony held at the cenotaph in City Hall Square at 11.00 a.m., on November 11, 2017.** I hope to see you there.

Thank you veterans—your sacrifices and service to Canada will not be forgotten.

Yours truly,

On the back side of this newsletter you will find the story of one of our local war memorials. This story is just one of many located in our community. I send these flyers with different information to ten different neighbourhoods in Windsor West. If you are interested in seeing more, please do not hesitate to contact my office at (519) 255-1631 or by email at: brian.masse@parl.gc.ca and we will get you copies of all of the mailings you are interested in..

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MEMORIAL CENOTAPH

The Plaque Reads: In memory of the men of Sandwich who gave their lives for humanity in the Great War and in honour of those who daring to die survived. Erected by the Baby Chapter, I.O.D.E. *"Do you wonder why we're here to-day and why we stand so still. Do you wonder why we gather here and why we always will. We're here to-day to honour those who gave their life, their all. We're here to-day to honour those who've answered God's last call."* Dedicated by Branch 143 Royal Canadian Legion 11/11/1993



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205 YEARS SINCE THE WAR OF 1812

The Windsor-Essex Region is steeped in history. As the site of the outbreak of the War of 1812, the only war ever fought on Canadian soil, it is an area rich in cultural, natural, and social history.

The War of 1812 started because of tensions between the USA and Great Britain over economic and political issues. Since the U.S. declared war on Great Britain on June, 18, 1812, the fighting took place primarily on the territory of continental U.S. and in Upper and Lower Canada.

The war was particularly significant also in that meaning that the Americans attacked Toronto (previously named York) and burned the parliament buildings. In return, British forces attacked Washington D.C., and burned the White House in August 1814.

We should always remember this war between the USA and Britain which lasted for three years and led to devastating results of almost 4,000 soldiers killed in action and both sides claiming victory.

By remembering our citizens' service and sacrifice, we recognize the tradition of freedom they fought to preserve. Those who fought in the War of 1812 were Canadian soldiers who became heroes by standing up for what we as a nation believe in.

peace, freedom and justice and possibility of free choice of state.

THANK YOU VETERAN!

Thank you for sharing your message to a local veteran. I will be bringing these to the Legion where they will be distributed.

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