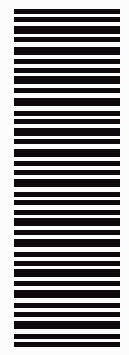


District K

June 2026

Legion 

FIRST
EDITION



See what is
happening in
the District

*District
Convention*

**STRONGER
TOGETHER**



Introduction

Comrades,

It is both an honour and a privilege to introduce this new monthly newsletter for District K of The Royal Canadian Legion. As your District K Public Relations Chair, my goal is to help strengthen communication between our branches and celebrate the incredible work being done throughout our communities. Across District K, there are countless examples of dedication, compassion, remembrance, and service happening every single day. From community events and fundraisers to veteran support initiatives, youth programs, ceremonies, and volunteer efforts, every branch has a story worth sharing. This newsletter is intended to become a place where we can highlight those achievements, support one another's events, and showcase the positive impact the Legion continues to have across our district.

I warmly encourage all branches, members, and comrades to submit upcoming events, photos, announcements, success stories, or anything you would like recognized in future editions. By sharing with one another, we strengthen not only our organization, but also the bonds of comradeship that make the Legion so special.

Submissions and inquiries can be emailed to:

ardis.chedore@gmail.com

Thank you, comrades, for taking the time to read and support this newsletter initiative. I truly look forward to your submissions and to building something meaningful together – a publication that reflects the heart of District K and the outstanding people who continue to serve veterans, families, and communities with pride and dedication.

In comradeship,

Ardis Proulx

District K Public Relations Chair

The Royal Canadian Legion

District Convention 2026



**Haileybury
April
2026**

New Liskeard Branch 33



On Sunday, November 9, the Royal Canadian Legion Branch 33 New Liskeard conducted Remembrance Day Services at the Northdale Manor and Temiskaming Lodge. Thank you to Padre George Paraskevopoulos who led the service, to Sgt.-at-Arms Scott Gray, Flag Bearers, the Temiskaming Pipes and Drums, and to all Legion members who attended and took part.

Many expressions of appreciation were received from the residents for bringing the Remembrance Service to them, as most are unable to attend the Cenotaph service on November 11th.

WE WILL REMEMBER THEM

Cobalt Branch 44



HI ALL - HAPPY 100TH (COMING LATER THIS YEAR). I'M LOOKING FOR AS MUCH HISTORIC INFORMATION AS POSSIBLE REGARDING THE FOUNDING MEMBERS OF BOTH THE GWVA AND RCL BRANCH 44. L-R BACK ROW ALBERT RILEY, PAT SLAGHT, STAN TRESIDDER, JOE BRUNETTE, BABE LABELLE, EMILE ROY, BILL MCPHERSON. L-R FRONT ROW DON COLLINS, ARCHIE MCLEAN, FULTON PURDY, JIMMY JONES, JOHN JORDAN, JACK FRACKELTON. CHANCES ARE GOOD THAT SOME ARE ORIGINAL FOUNDING MEMBERS. CAN YOU HELP US FIND OLDER RECORDS?

THANKS TO STEVE DALLEY FOR THIS PHOTO OF THE MEMBERS FROM THE 1940S.

YOU MAY WISH TO READ THE LATEST NEWSLETTER FROM THE COBALT HISTORICAL SOCIETY THAT FEATURES YOUR BUILDING ON SILVER STREET - THE HOME TO THE GREAT WAR VETERANS ASSOCIATION AND LATER BRANCH 44 SINCE 1919.

[HTTPS://COBALTHISTORICALSOCIETY.CA/.../05/2026-05-CHS.PDF](https://cobalthistoricalsociety.ca/.../05/2026-05-CHS.PDF)

Haileybury Branch 54

HAILEYBURY LEGION BRANCH 54
ESTABLISHED SINCE 1926

GREENS KEEPER WILLY GOLF
→ 3 PERSON TEAMS ←
AUGUST 7, 8, 9, 2026

INCLUDES:

- Entertainment (Saturday Night)
- Steak Supper (Saturday)
- Breakfast (Sunday)

\$160 PER PLAYER

HAILEYBURY GOLF CLUB
Shot Gun Start at 9am
Saturday & Sunday

Registration opens May 1, 2026 @ Haileybury Golf Club
• First 28 Paid Teams Accepted (wait list after)
• Reduced rate for practice round on August 7 for non-members



Centennial Celebration EVENTS SCHEDULE TUESDAY JULY 14TH

July 14th - 18th Haileybury, Ontario

DAY 1 GRAND OPENING

We're starting BIG with a steak supper, time capsule and live music with Steve Benoit & Black Hot Trio at the legion.

LIVE MUSIC
ALL EVENING



STEAK
DINNER
5 TO 7PM



Centennial Celebration EVENTS SCHEDULE WEDNESDAY JULY 15TH

July 14th - 18th Haileybury, Ontario

EAGLES TRIBUTE NIGHT

Hotel California Eagles Tribute band take over at the Haileybury Arena.

DOORS OPEN
@ 8PM



DAY 2



Centennial Celebration EVENTS SCHEDULE THURSDAY JULY 16TH

July 14th - 18th Haileybury, Ontario

DAY 3 MAGIC FOR EVERYONE

Eric Leclerc is bringing laughs, illusions and magic for kids and adults!



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DAY 4 DISCO EXPLOSION

Break out the bell bottoms - it's disco night with ABBA and Toe Jam Tequila

DAY 4

THE ABBA STORY
10 TO 12PM



70's Disco hits
8 TO 9:30PM

TOE JAM
TEQUILA
OPENING & CLOSING



DAY 5 ROCK FINALE

One epic night to wrap an unforgettable week with the Mud dogs, Mystic Highway and Radio Daze.

DAY 5

MUD DOGS
OPENING



RADIO DAZE
CLOSING



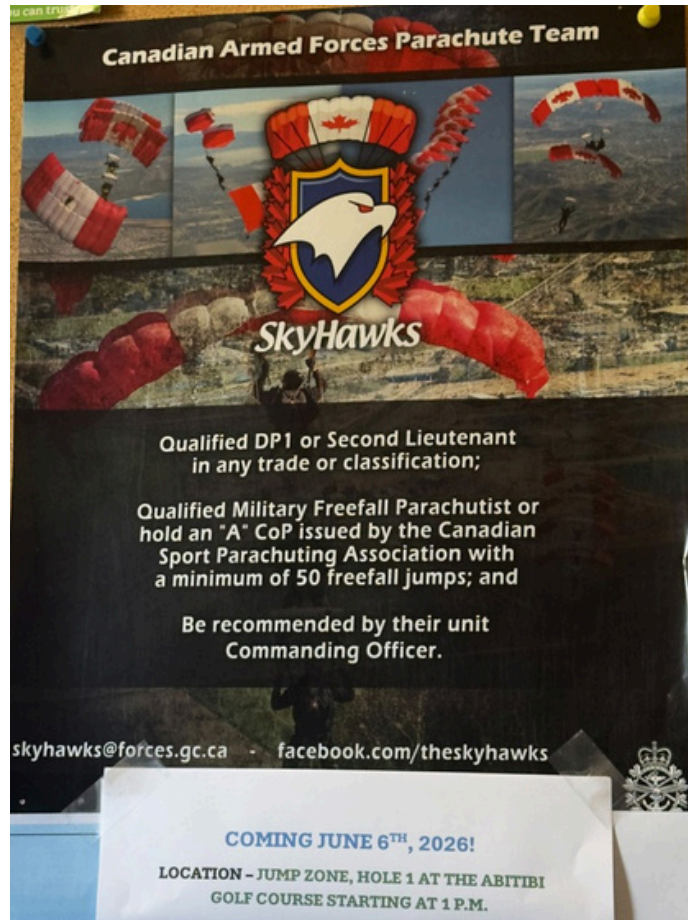
MYSTIC
HIGHWAY
9 TO 11PM



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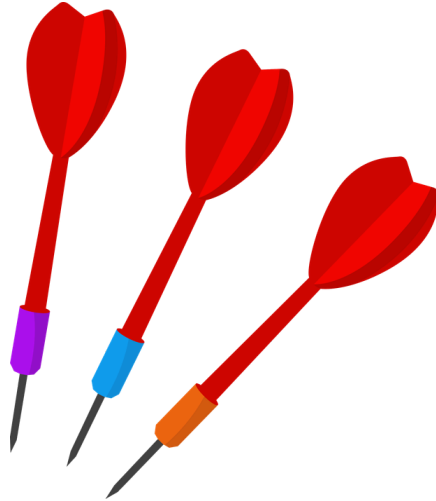
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Iroquois Falls Branch 70



Royal Canadian Legion Branch 70 in Iroquois Falls continues to be a cornerstone of community spirit, veteran support, and remembrance within the region. Located on Devonshire Avenue, the branch remains active through community events, volunteerism, fundraising initiatives, and social gatherings that bring residents together while honouring the service and sacrifice of Canada's veterans. In recent months, Branch 70 has been actively promoting its popular Catch the Ace fundraising draws and participating in celebrations surrounding the Royal Canadian Legion's national 100th anniversary in 2026. The branch has also supported efforts to recognize and reconnect with local veterans from Iroquois Falls and surrounding communities, reinforcing its ongoing commitment to remembrance, camaraderie, and community service

Kapuskasing Branch 85



Thursday night darts 7pm ,1 on 1 , 501 , all are welcome, if turnout more than 12 people we can play 2 on2 .



A HUGE THANK YOU GOES OUT TO CHANTAL LEPAGE AND THE DIRECTORS OF CAISSE ALLIANCE FOR THE DONATION OF \$4,000.00 FOR THE PURCHASE OF OUR NEW TWO-DOOR REFRIGERATOR FOR THE DOWNSTAIRS AREA. THIS DONATION WILL ALLOW US TO CONTINUE OFFERING OUR WEEKLY SERVICES TO SUPPORT OUR VETERANS , AND MEMBERS.

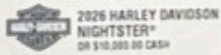
Kirkland Lake Branch 87



Branch 087
Kirkland Lake

8th Annual Motorcycle Poker Run IN MEMORY OF STEPHANE LEVEILLE SATURDAY, JULY 11TH, 2026

FIRST PRIZE



2026 HARLEY DAVIDSON
NIGHTSTER™
OR \$10,000.00 CASH

Harley Davidson Draw July 11th, 2026 @ 9pm



Friday, July 10th, 2026

Entertainment by Eva Electra. Free Entry 8pm

Saturday, July 11th, 2026

\$5 Breakfast 7am to 10am Kirkland Lake Branch 87

Registration 9am-11am RC Legion Branch 87 - 1 Summerhayes Ave, Kirkland Lake (705) 567-3888

Bike Games 2pm - 5pm

Poker Run 9am - 6pm

Steak Dinner 5pm - 7pm

Harley Davidson & 50/50 Draw July 11th at 9pm

Entertainment by Bone Yard at 8pm (Paid Admission)

Sunday, July 12th, 2026

\$10 Breakfast 8am to Noon, Kirkland Lake RC Legion Branch 87

Cost:

\$25.00 per Bike / \$10 Passenger Poker Run

\$15 each per participant for Dinner & Entertainment

\$40 per guest non-participant for Dinner & Entertainment



BONE YARD
JULY 11TH

ALL ARE WELCOME
TO PARTICIPATE
(MOTORCYCLES & CARS)

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For more information:
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Timmins Branch 88



In July 1948, the second version of the Royal Legion Branch 88 opened on Algonquin Blvd. The first Legion Hall Branch 88 was on Cedar Street between the old Lady Laurier hotel and the Victory Tavern. Presently, Branch 88 is located in the building across the street from Albert's Hotel on Mountjoy Street. The building in the bottom photograph was constructed in 2009-2010. It is home to the Cochrane District Social Services Administration Board.



Cochrane Branch 89

Legion 

D-DAY SERVICE

— JUNE 6, 2026 AT 11AM —
AT THE COCHRANE CENOTAPH
LEGION BRANCH 89 PRESIDENT
LEONARD WHITE OFFICIATING

FREE EVENING OF ENTERTAINMENT & FOOD

— STARTS AT 8PM —

FOR PRIOR OR CURRENT SERVICE MEMBERS
MILITARY • POLICE • FIREFIGHTERS • EMS • ETC.

PUBLIC IS WELCOME

MUST BE AGE OF MAJORITY FOR EVENING EVENT

 **151 6TH AVENUE, COCHRANE**

 **QUESTIONS? CONTACT 705-272-3205**

Englehart Branch 104



The members of Royal Canadian Legion Branch 104 continue to play an important role within the Englehart community, supporting veterans, remembrance initiatives, and local events throughout the region. Located in the heart of Englehart, Branch 104 has long served as both a gathering place and a symbol of community spirit and service. In recent years, the branch has demonstrated remarkable resilience and dedication. Following renovations and reopening celebrations after the pandemic, members and volunteers worked hard to revitalize the branch and strengthen community engagement. Like many Legion branches across Canada, Branch 104 has also faced challenges in recruiting new leadership and volunteers, highlighting the importance of continued community support to preserve these vital organizations for future generations.

Branch 104 remains committed to honouring veterans, supporting remembrance traditions, and providing a welcoming space for community fellowship in Englehart and surrounding areas.

Hearst Branch 173



The Royal Canadian Legion Branch 173 in Hearst continues to play an important role within its community, serving as both a veterans' organization and a welcoming gathering place for residents of all ages. Through remembrance ceremonies, fundraising initiatives, community events, entertainment nights, and the dedicated efforts of its Ladies Auxiliary, Branch 173 remains committed to supporting veterans, strengthening community spirit, and preserving the traditions and values of the Royal Canadian Legion throughout the Hearst area.

La Filiale 173 de la Royal Canadian Legion à Hearst continue de jouer un rôle important au sein de sa communauté, servant à la fois d'organisme pour les anciens combattants et de lieu de rassemblement accueillant pour les résidents de tous âges. Grâce aux cérémonies du souvenir, aux initiatives de financement, aux activités communautaires, aux soirées de divertissement et au dévouement de son Auxiliaire féminine, la Filiale 173 demeure engagée à soutenir les vétérans, à renforcer l'esprit communautaire et à préserver les traditions et les valeurs de la Légion royale canadienne dans toute la région de Hearst.

Hornepayne Branch 194

Royal Canadian Legion Branch 194 100th Anniversary Celebration

You are warmly invited to join us as we celebrate 100 years of service, community, and tradition in Hornepayne.

Saturday, June 13, 2026

Family Celebration with Al Creswell

11:00 am - 3:00 pm

Enjoy an afternoon for all ages featuring a community BBQ, 360 video booth, unlimited print photo booth, bouncy castles, carnival games, and more.

Wine & Cheese Evening (Adults Only)

Beginning at 7:00 pm

Join us for a relaxed and elegant evening of wine, cheese, and conversation as we continue this special celebration.

Legion 

Branch 194
Hornepayne


1926 · 2026

Celebrating a century of community - made possible by you.
We look forward to sharing this memorable day together.

Charlton Branch 227



The building is looking incredible as we move closer to completion!

Royal Canadian Legion Branch 227 in Charlton continues to demonstrate the strong community spirit that Legions are known for across Northern Ontario. The branch remains active with a variety of community events, social gatherings, fundraisers, and recreational activities that bring residents together while supporting important local causes.

Recent online highlights include wellness workshops, fundraising efforts supporting the local food bank, regular darts and card nights, and preparations for the longstanding Annual Live Release Fish Derby – a tradition that continues to attract community participation year after year. The branch has also been receiving positive attention for ongoing improvements and upgrades to its facility, helping ensure the Legion remains a welcoming gathering place for veterans, members, and the wider public.

Branch 227 serves as an important hub within the Charlton community, reflecting the Legion's continued commitment to fellowship, remembrance, and service.

South Porcupine Branch 287

Go With The Flow Events
PRESENTS

THE ABBA STORY TRIBUTE SHOW

SATURDAY JULY 18th 2026 AT 7PM
DOORS OPEN AT 6:00PM

THE ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION # 287, 46 LEGION DRIVE, SOUTH PORCUPINE, ON



A SPECTACULAR TRIBUTE SHOW DEDICATED TO THE MUSIC OF THE SUPER GROUP
OF THE 70'S ABBA WITH SPOT ON LYRICS AND FABULOUS COSTUMES CHANGES

**THIS IS A MUST SEE SHOW
FOR ALL ABBA FANS**

OPENING ACT:
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THE DISCO EXPLOSION FEATURING VARIOUS ARTISTS FROM THE 70'S
THAT MADE YOU WANT TO GET UP AND SHAKE YOUR BOOTIES

Two complete shows over 3 hours of high energy music and dance in 1 night for your entertainment

Tickets Available in Person
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DAILY MON-SAT 12-8PM • SUN 12-6PM
46 LEGION DRIVE, SOUTH PORCUPINE, ON

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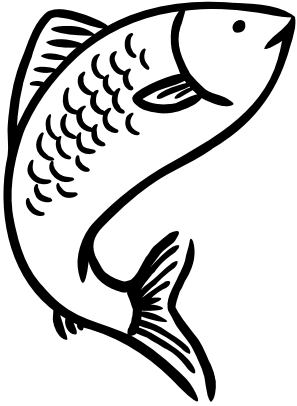
\$50 at the door (if still available)

No Refunds or Exchange

For More Information
or Any Other Questions
Please Email:

gowiththeflowtickets@gmail.com

Larder Lake Branch 293



Thank you to all those who supported the Larder Lake Volunteer Fire Department and the Royal Canadian Legion Br. 293, 2026 Winter Fishing Derby.

Congratulations to the winners of the Adult Category 1st Place: Kris Kapostin 5.68 lbs.

2nd Place: Andre Harvey 5.42 lbs.

3rd Place: Adam Bonfield 5.08 lbs.

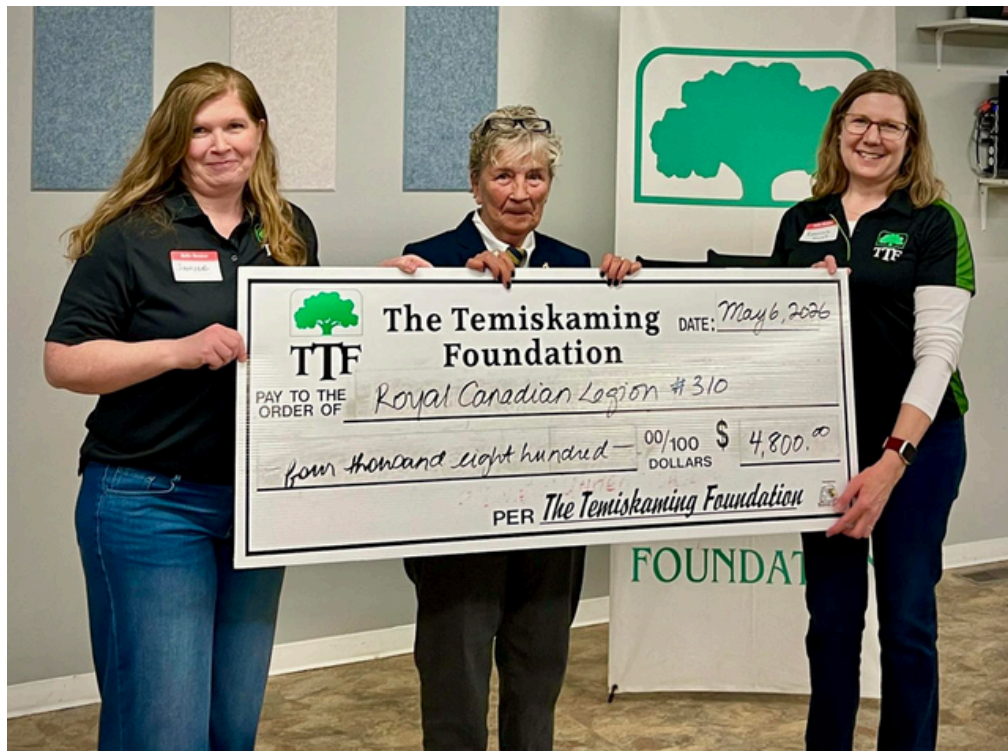
Photo Credit: Lauren Kelly

Smoothrock Branch 305 (John Buchan)

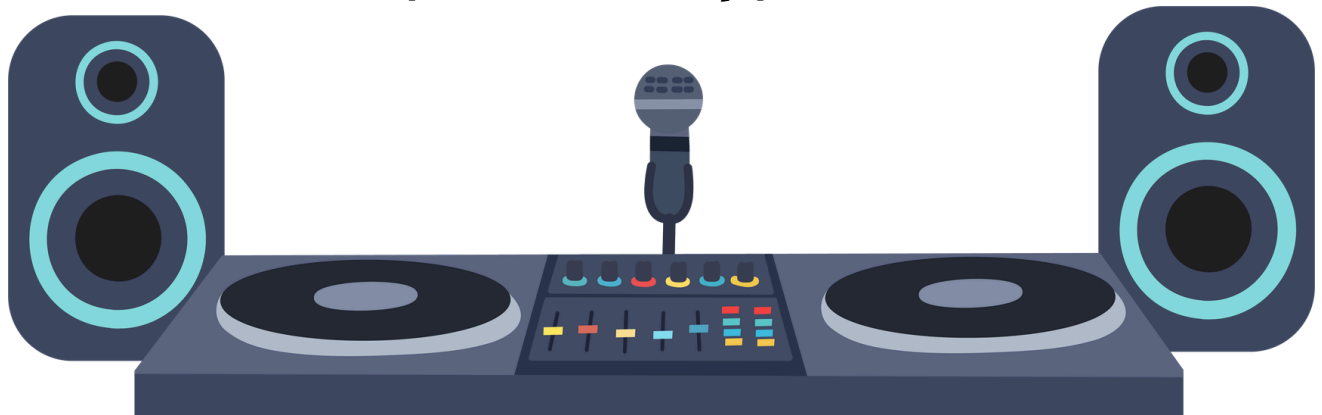


Royal Canadian Legion Branch 305, also known as the John Buchan Legion Branch 305, continues to serve as an important community hub in Smooth Rock Falls. Located on 5th Street, the branch regularly hosts community events, meals, remembrance activities, and veteran support initiatives that bring residents together throughout the year. Recent activities have included community suppers and recognition of dedicated volunteers, including the presentation of a Legionnaire of the Year award to longtime member John Shannon for his commitment to the branch and community service. As the Royal Canadian Legion celebrates its 100th anniversary in 2026, Branch 305 remains committed to honouring veterans, supporting local causes, and strengthening community spirit in Northern Ontario.

Montreal River Branch 310



Thank you to the Temiskaming Foundation. Branch 310 received a grant for the purchase of music equipment.



McGarry Branch 384



Matachewan Branch 386



Nestled in the historic northern mining community of Matachewan, Royal Canadian Legion Branch 386 continues to serve as an important gathering place for veterans, families, and community members alike. The branch is known locally not only for its commitment to remembrance and supporting veterans, but also for helping keep community spirit alive in a small northern town.

Recent information highlights the branch's partnership with the Township of Matachewan on Seniors Active Living Centre programming, helping provide activities and engagement opportunities for residents aged 55 and older. The initiative focuses on reducing isolation and promoting wellness within the community.

Matachewan itself has deep roots in Northern Ontario history, growing from a mining and trading post community into a close-knit township proud of its heritage and volunteerism.

Organizations like the Legion remain central to community life, hosting social activities, supporting local events, and ensuring the importance of remembrance continues for future generations.

As The Royal Canadian Legion celebrates its national centennial in 2026, branches such as Branch 386 continue to demonstrate the Legion's enduring mission of service, remembrance, and community connection across Canada — including in Northern Ontario's smallest and most resilient communities.

Temagami Branch 408



Aubrey Cosens V.C Branch 627



Did You Know?

The Royal Canadian Legion's Public Relations Manual reminds us that public relations is far more than simply advertising events or posting photos online. The manual explains that effective public relations is about building and maintaining mutually beneficial relationships through honest communication, community involvement, and consistent support of the Legion's mission.

One particularly meaningful point raised in the manual is that many Canadians today did not grow up with the same direct connection to military service and sacrifice that previous generations experienced. Because of this, it can no longer be assumed that the public automatically understands the Legion's purpose, programs, or impact. The manual stresses that every Legion member plays a role in telling our story and ensuring the values of remembrance, service, and support for veterans continue for future generations.

The Legion also encourages branches to actively share stories, photos, volunteer achievements, youth involvement, community partnerships, and veteran support initiatives. In fact, Dominion Command notes that storytelling is one of the strongest communication tools available because people connect with real stories about real people making a difference in their communities.

A simple photo, a short write up about a volunteer, or coverage of a local event may seem small at the time, but together these stories preserve the Legion's legacy and help showcase the incredible work happening in branches across our district every single day.

