

## **REMEMBRANCE DAY MARCH INVITATION**

We will be forming up at the Ingersoll Town Hall Square parking lot on Fri, Nov 11 at 9:30am.

We will then march to the Anglican Church for the service.

After the service we will be forming up again & marching back through the town to Town Hall for the rest of the service.

After the service has concluded, everyone is invited back to the Royal Canadian Legion Branch 119 for a light meal. All are welcome.

Thank you in advance for your patronage.

## **VIMY 100TH ANNIVERSARY**

On Nov 13 “The 100th Anniversary of Vimy Ridge” Laurel Beechy will talk about the April 9th battle that defined us as Canadians. Woodstock Museum National Historic Site, 456 Dundas St, Woodstock at 6:45pm.

For more information contact Oxford County Branch of the Ontario Genealogical Society at 519-421-1700 or [www.oxford.ogs.on.ca](http://www.oxford.ogs.on.ca).

## **INGERSOLL HILLCREST LEGION, INGERSOLL**

Royal Canadian Legion Branch 119, 211 Thames St, N, Ingersoll. 519485-2580.

Please check [our Facebook page](#) for more details. For hall rentals, call Betty White 519-485-1207.

You do not have to be a member to enjoy the Legion events.

Karaoke Nov 10 & 24, free, everyone welcome, 8pm-1am

Poppy drive starts Oct 30.

Remembrance Day Services Nov 5 at Dickson’s Corners, 2pm

Nov 5 at Thamesford Arena 10am

Nov 11 Town Hall Service

Night At The Mess Nov 11, 7pm at the legion

Christmas Parade Nov 18.

## **BEACHVILLE LEGION, BRANCH 495**

Open Thur at 6:30pm; Fri at 4:30pm; Sat at 4pm.

Nov 4 Beachville Legion Remembrance Dinner. Cocktails 5pm, dinner 6pm. Guest speaker Scott Gillies. Tickets \$12.

Nov 11 Beachville Legion Remembrance Day Service 11am, form up 10:30am. Light lunch following.

Nov 18 Open Jam in the Lounge 7pm Nov 25 Redneck Karaoke 8:00pm-1am

Dec 1 Christmas Dinner & Silent Auction 5:30pm \$12

Dec 10 Christmas Brunch with Santa 10am-12:30pm Friday Night Suppers 5:30pm:

Nov 10 – Fish & Chips

Nov 24 - Meatloaf Thur Night Euchre 7pm,

Thur Horseshoes 7pm,

Fri Darts 8pm

Call us if you need to fill community hours or would like to volunteer!

HALL RENTAL: Banquets, weddings, family gatherings – see our website for more info or call us.

For a small party or family get-together: we supply the bar / entertainment, call us for more info.

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## **ONE DAY ONLY**

**On November 11**, we remember the soldiers world-wide who fought & dies in past wars & those who

now serve. There were so many conflicts: World War I, World War II, Persian Gulf, Korea, Afghanistan, Iraq, Rwanda. Yet, only one day a year do we pause to remember. One day a year is not enough to keep in mind the many soldiers who despite their fear, despite the hopelessness ran onto the field of battle, some never to come back. Some who came home but were forever changed by what they saw, heard & did. All whose lives were forever changed. Day by day we hear stories on the news of fighting & conflict in the world. We hear of the Canadian government sending troops or fighter jets to areas where peace is needed. We pray they come home. We pray they will not be scarred with memories that never leave them. They serve their country's call. When their service is done, where is their country then?

**On Nov 11**, we need to remember all those who died. We need to remember what we are fighting for. WE need to remember those who were wounded. We need to remember why they were wounded. WE need to remember those who carry their wounds in their heads & we cannot see the wound. More than a day a year, we need to remember. Each soldier had a life. Each soldier had a family. They chose to sacrifice for us, for our freedom. Each soldier had a life that they left behind to defined thier country. To stand up for what is right. Not all came home. Not all came back the same. Some lost everything. There are many ways to be wounded.

**On Nov 11**, we need to remember the lives that were changed. We need to remember that soldiers still fight for freedom, for our rights. We need to stand behind our soldier more than one day a year. For all lives are changed when they go off to war.

Submitted by a member of the Royal Canadian Legion.

A DAY IN NOVEMBER By Maeve Hanlon

A little girl outside a store, A nice old man she has seen before.

She went to her Mom & asked for a flower, One with sentimental power.

It was a poppy so red it lit up his eyes.

Like the ones he had seen where his friends had died.

He said "Thank you my dear & please thank your parents, but do you really understand this thing of remembrance?"

He told her of fields where the dead lay Of the horrors they saw day after day.

Of those seemingly endless days & nights

Where these brave men & women fought for our rights.

The nice old man with the nice old smile Had stories that lasted a nice long while.

Looking at old photos, she shed a tear The nice old man in army gear

She looked at him & hugged him real tight

As she promised she'd never forget those days & nights

Or the many men & women she has to thank for her rights.