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| |  | | --- | | **In this edition – September 2020** | |
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| |  | | --- | | **Help the Legion secure federal funding** | | Dominion President Thomas D. Irvine, CD, has [sent a letter](https://elink.clickdimensions.com/c/6/?T=Mjg4MzI5MjM%3AMDItYjIwMjYwLTVhYWM3MTMwODFiNDRlMDE4M2VkY2RhODFlMGYyMWFl%3AZWxsZW53b2xmbWFjbGVvZEBnbWFpbC5jb20%3AYWNjb3VudC00NDEyZWFjYTE0NGJlNjExODBkMmMyMjQxMjUzNzQwOC1mZDU5NjM5MTNiMDQ0NjAxODA5YzYzMGIwYjkzZGUwNw%3AZmFsc2U%3AOQ%3AZmVkZnVu%3AaHR0cHM6Ly9saW5rcHJvdGVjdC5jdWRhc3ZjLmNvbS91cmw_&K=lht3LNwqM02sa5tNUjDBiw) to all MPs requesting help in seeking accountability from the government to provide its promised financial assistance, in addition to [an op-ed piece](https://elink.clickdimensions.com/c/6/?T=Mjg4MzI5MjM%3AMDItYjIwMjYwLTVhYWM3MTMwODFiNDRlMDE4M2VkY2RhODFlMGYyMWFl%3AZWxsZW53b2xmbWFjbGVvZEBnbWFpbC5jb20%3AYWNjb3VudC00NDEyZWFjYTE0NGJlNjExODBkMmMyMjQxMjUzNzQwOC1mZDU5NjM5MTNiMDQ0NjAxODA5YzYzMGIwYjkzZGUwNw%3AZmFsc2U%3AMTA%3A%3AaHR0cHM6Ly9saW5rcHJvdGVjdC5jdWRhc3ZjLmNvbS91cmw_&K=2WUY7-A7N62ah384is5znA) recently published in The Guardian. But after months of inaction from the federal government, the Legion is launching a letter-writing campaign to secure financial support for Branches impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic. | | Provincial Commands have reached out to their Branches with details on the campaign. We encourage all Branch executives and members to write to their local MPs using the template below. Please personalize the information in the letter where indicated, add your Branch letterhead and mail or email (as a PDF or read only Word document) the letter to your MP the week of September 15. Contact your Provincial Command if you have any questions. | | Together, we can ensure the Government of Canada follows through on its promised assistance for the Legion. | | [**Download the template  ‣**](https://elink.clickdimensions.com/c/6/?T=Mjg4MzI5MjM%3AMDItYjIwMjYwLTVhYWM3MTMwODFiNDRlMDE4M2VkY2RhODFlMGYyMWFl%3AZWxsZW53b2xmbWFjbGVvZEBnbWFpbC5jb20%3AYWNjb3VudC00NDEyZWFjYTE0NGJlNjExODBkMmMyMjQxMjUzNzQwOC1mZDU5NjM5MTNiMDQ0NjAxODA5YzYzMGIwYjkzZGUwNw%3AZmFsc2U%3AMTE%3A%3AaHR0cHM6Ly9saW5rcHJvdGVjdC5jdWRhc3ZjLmNvbS91cmw_&K=JBBV4GR0K5qD9Qo2LPM19A) | |
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| |  | | --- | | **2020 Poppy Campaign and Remembrance Day activities** | | The COVID-19 pandemic is changing the way the Legion will run local Poppy Campaigns and Remembrance Day Ceremonies in 2020. Information on these changes was sent to all Branches in a September mailing. Please visit [portal.legion.ca/2020-campaigns](https://elink.clickdimensions.com/c/6/?T=Mjg4MzI5MjM%3AMDItYjIwMjYwLTVhYWM3MTMwODFiNDRlMDE4M2VkY2RhODFlMGYyMWFl%3AZWxsZW53b2xmbWFjbGVvZEBnbWFpbC5jb20%3AYWNjb3VudC00NDEyZWFjYTE0NGJlNjExODBkMmMyMjQxMjUzNzQwOC1mZDU5NjM5MTNiMDQ0NjAxODA5YzYzMGIwYjkzZGUwNw%3AZmFsc2U%3AMTI%3AcG9wY2FtcA%3AaHR0cHM6Ly9saW5rcHJvdGVjdC5jdWRhc3ZjLmNvbS91cmw_YT1odHRwJTNhJTJmJTJmcG9ydGFsLmxlZ2lvbi5jYSUyZjIwMjAtY2FtcGFpZ25zJmM9RSwxLDlwV1lsQl8tbk1rY1hsYTcyaDhHMWNMRXllUjRQT2l0UUN2S0lWcmhwSWxiWnVLd3lyQmFUc216MEZmTnlaM3JqZWtlQTJ1eF95bGI1WUVraXFvWFk2QkNSUlVfY3N5UVhnNU4tWXNXTGc0LCZ0eXBvPTEmX2NsZGVlPVpXeHNaVzUzYjJ4bWJXRmpiR1Z2WkVCbmJXRnBiQzVqYjIwJTNkJnJlY2lwaWVudGlkPWFjY291bnQtNDQxMmVhY2ExNDRiZTYxMTgwZDJjMjI0MTI1Mzc0MDgtZmQ1OTYzOTEzYjA0NDYwMTgwOWM2MzBiMGI5M2RlMDcmZXNpZD02ZTE2OTFmZC1iZGY2LWVhMTEtODEwYS0wMDUwNTZhMmU3NmQ&K=2bQ3m6idmhFOsW3sO6XxoA) for information and updates. | |
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| |  | | --- | | **Coming next month: Branch members can join online!** | | Starting October 1, 2020, new members will be able to [register to a local Legion Branch online](https://elink.clickdimensions.com/c/6/?T=Mjg4MzI5MjM%3AMDItYjIwMjYwLTVhYWM3MTMwODFiNDRlMDE4M2VkY2RhODFlMGYyMWFl%3AZWxsZW53b2xmbWFjbGVvZEBnbWFpbC5jb20%3AYWNjb3VudC00NDEyZWFjYTE0NGJlNjExODBkMmMyMjQxMjUzNzQwOC1mZDU5NjM5MTNiMDQ0NjAxODA5YzYzMGIwYjkzZGUwNw%3AZmFsc2U%3AMTM%3Ab25icmFuYw%3AaHR0cHM6Ly9saW5rcHJvdGVjdC5jdWRhc3ZjLmNvbS91cmw_&K=rZBE-eo_pu5s-i0FrboB3A)! As the world adapts and opens up to online communication and service, the Legion is excited to be modernizing our membership experience. | | If you have questions on how to use the Legion Member Services Website, contact Member Services. We are here to help! | |
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| |  | | --- | | **Update to General Bylaws** | | On August 12, 2020, Dominion Executive Council conducted an electronic vote on motions related to Branch elections and Article III proceedings. For consideration was ending the temporary measures adopted earlier this year because of Branch closures due to the COVID‑19 outbreak. | | **MOTION 1: Branch Elections:** The authority for holding Branch elections is now delegated to Provincial Commands / International Zones effective immediately. | | **MOTION 2: Article III Proceedings:** The temporary measures will remain in place as DEC decided not to reinstate Article III proceedings and timelines. All current and new complaints and appeals will continue to be held in abeyance. Reinstatement of Article III proceedings will be reviewed again prior to the November 2020 DEC meeting. | |
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| |  | | --- | | **Branch Membership Administration** | | ***Resources and tips to support your Membership Chair*** | | **We are here to help!** | | The Member Services Department continues to serve Branches and members, Monday through Friday, 8:30–4:30 pm EST by email and by phone. | | **Membership auto renewal date for the 2021 membership year** | | All members who have signed up for Auto Renewal will be charged the first week of November, 2020 for the 2021 membership year. | | **Renewal reminders** | | A renewal reminder will be mailed to lapsed 2019 members this October, encouraging them to continue their support. | | Plus, all members who pay for 5 years before November 30th will receive a Legion Poppy watch! Keep an eye out for our renewal promotions to members through email, online and in Legion Magazine. | | **2021 Per Capita rates** | | There are no changes to 2021 per capita tax rates. The 2021 rates are effective September 1, 2020 and are [available on the membership website](https://elink.clickdimensions.com/c/6/?T=Mjg4MzI5MjM%3AMDItYjIwMjYwLTVhYWM3MTMwODFiNDRlMDE4M2VkY2RhODFlMGYyMWFl%3AZWxsZW53b2xmbWFjbGVvZEBnbWFpbC5jb20%3AYWNjb3VudC00NDEyZWFjYTE0NGJlNjExODBkMmMyMjQxMjUzNzQwOC1mZDU5NjM5MTNiMDQ0NjAxODA5YzYzMGIwYjkzZGUwNw%3AZmFsc2U%3AMTY%3AZ2VuYnlsYXc%3AaHR0cHM6Ly9saW5rcHJvdGVjdC5jdWRhc3ZjLmNvbS91cmw_&K=M-N8Wwcp5xiFko3xpRlt5A). | | **Keep your members connected** | | The COVID-19 crisis has made it clear that times are changing. Online information and services have become more important. Are you and your members receiving the monthly members newsletter? Make sure your members’ emails addresses are on their member profile, or email them to us using [this template](https://elink.clickdimensions.com/c/6/?T=Mjg4MzI5MjM%3AMDItYjIwMjYwLTVhYWM3MTMwODFiNDRlMDE4M2VkY2RhODFlMGYyMWFl%3AZWxsZW53b2xmbWFjbGVvZEBnbWFpbC5jb20%3AYWNjb3VudC00NDEyZWFjYTE0NGJlNjExODBkMmMyMjQxMjUzNzQwOC1mZDU5NjM5MTNiMDQ0NjAxODA5YzYzMGIwYjkzZGUwNw%3AZmFsc2U%3AMTc%3A%3AaHR0cHM6Ly9saW5rcHJvdGVjdC5jdWRhc3ZjLmNvbS91cmw_&K=E9ZxElpU_rtwixuHseXL5A). | | **Sign up for Direct Deposits from Legion National Headquarters** | | Sign up to receive Branch payments from Legion National Headquarters through direct deposit to your bank account by completing the attached [Direct Deposit Form](https://elink.clickdimensions.com/c/6/?T=Mjg4MzI5MjM%3AMDItYjIwMjYwLTVhYWM3MTMwODFiNDRlMDE4M2VkY2RhODFlMGYyMWFl%3AZWxsZW53b2xmbWFjbGVvZEBnbWFpbC5jb20%3AYWNjb3VudC00NDEyZWFjYTE0NGJlNjExODBkMmMyMjQxMjUzNzQwOC1mZDU5NjM5MTNiMDQ0NjAxODA5YzYzMGIwYjkzZGUwNw%3AZmFsc2U%3AMTg%3AZGlyZWN0ZGVw%3AaHR0cHM6Ly9saW5rcHJvdGVjdC5jdWRhc3ZjLmNvbS91cmw_&K=93TPoQS-UraKvc6DsdbH6A). No more bank runs or waiting for your cheque to arrive! Simply download and complete the form and email it to [DirectDeposit@legion.ca](mailto:DirectDeposit@legion.ca). | | For questions, please contact Tiffany Patterson at the Legion National Headquarters Finance Department by calling 613-591-3335 ext. 262. | |
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