

# FAREWELL SHEL, YOU'LL BE MISSED

## LEGION MOURNS LOSS OF ONE OF ITS BELOVED BRETHREN, WRITES DAVID MALONY



DAVID MALONEY  
Column

On behalf of the executive and members of the branch, we would like to offer our sincere sympathy in the loss of one of Branch 120, Georgetown's World War 2 veterans, Shel Lawr.

Shel was a resident of Sunnybrook Veterans Centre for the last few years, and he loved it when those

veterans visited our branch. He often met up with his grandchildren during these visits. When Acton visited Sunnybrook, he was always waiting at the door to greet us, and was happy to see people who were close to his home of Georgetown.

We always had our picture taken with Shel before we left the hospital. We will certainly miss him. We thank him for his service.

This year's Remembrance Parade scheduled for Saturday, Nov. 7, has been cancelled. In its place, we are planning a scaled-down version of the Cenotaph ceremony to take place on Wednesday, Nov. 11.

What it will look like has yet to be decided, and will depend a lot on government guidelines in place at the time. Further information will be issued closer to the date.

Our current Poppy fund is \$20,990.55.

At a meeting on September 21 it was determined that, due to the ever-changing regulations being issued by the government, we will not be able to open the branch for the foreseeable future. We will keep the membership informed as best we can, using social media.

It is the time of year for the Remembrance Day Contest of the Royal Canadian Legion. The contest consists of a literary component and a poster contest. The Acton schools have graciously done this each year.

Students can submit posters, poems and essays on own if they wish or through your school. If anyone requires further information, please contact Peggy Graham at rclbr197@cogeco.net. First place winners are submit-

ted to zone and then if they win there go to District, Provincial and Dominion Command. We appreciate all entries. This is a fantastic way for students to show appreciation for our veterans as we remember them through pictures and stories or poetry.

It is extremely important that members renew their membership for 2021. You can renew online at <https://www.legion.ca/join-us/renewal> or you can submit a cheque to the branch by mail and include your Legion Number as well as your membership type. Annual membership is unchanged at \$60.

Please check the webpage at [legion197.com](http://legion197.com), and in addition we will be posting information on Facebook.

You can email the branch at [rclbr197@cogeco.net](mailto:rclbr197@cogeco.net)

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## WHAT'S ON

### WHAT'S GOING ON THIS WEEKEND?

Looking for something to do in North Halton this weekend? Here's what is on in Milton and Halton Hills.

#### PUMPKINS AFTER DARK

When: Saturday and Sunday, Oct. 3 and 4, 7 to 10 p.m. Where: Country Heritage Park (8560 Tremaine Rd., Milton)

More info: A drive-through event with over 150 jack-o-lantern sculptures come to life on a scenic 2.5 km audio tour. Tickets must be purchased in advance at [www.pumpkinsafterdark.com](http://www.pumpkinsafterdark.com).

#### GEORGETOWN FARMERS' MARKET

When: Saturday, Oct. 3, 8 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Where: Main St. South, Georgetown

More info: An incredi-

ble selection of farm-fresh, warm-from-the-fields Ontario produce. The 2020 market season runs with COVID-19 protocols in effect.

#### MOCCASIN IDENTIFIER PROJECT

When: Saturday, Oct. 3, 9:30 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Where: Halton Hills Public Library (HHPL) Georgetown (9 Church St., Georgetown)

More info: Join members of the HHPL to learn about the different Indigenous people who inhabited the land prior to settlement. All art supplies will be provided.

#### MILTON FARMERS' MARKET

When: Saturday, Oct. 3, 8 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Where: Milton Fairgrounds (136 Robert St., Milton)

More info: The Milton Farmers' Market has found a new home in downtown Milton at the fairgrounds until Thanksgiving weekend.

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