

ANAVETS

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Special Points:

- 2005 Year of the Veteran
- New Veterans Legislation
- 22 Units increase membership.

CONGRATULATIONS!!!

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2005 Declared Year of the Veteran

On November 5th, the Honourable Albina Guarnieri, Minister of Veterans Affairs, declared that 2005 will be dedicated to paying tribute to Canada's veterans and will be known as "The Year of the Veteran."

The event took place at the annual Senate Ceremony of Remembrance in Ottawa. Among those in attendance were Canadian veterans who recently returned from a 10 days of events in Italy to mark Canada's key role in the Italian campaign during the Second World War. Our Past President Bob Cassels attended the visit to Italy, and was in the front row of the Senate audience sitting with Smokey Smith, the only surviving Victoria Cross recipient in Canada. Also in attendance were President Ken Henderson, our late Honorary President John Hardy, Deanna and myself.

"2005 will be a very special year for our Veterans of wars of the last century and Canadian Forces Veterans," Minister Guarnieri said to the veterans. "It is our never ending mission to thank Veterans who step out of

ordinary times to do the extraordinary and give our nation and other nations an endowment of peace. The Year of the Veteran will enable the Government of Canada on behalf of all Canadians to express gratitude to those whom we owe a tremendous debt, one that only can be repaid through active remembrance."



"Today, we ask a new generation of Canadians to surrender their time, volunteer their hearts, and take one year to fully remember a century of sacrifice. That year is 2005 - The Year of the

Veteran." - Minister Guarnieri For full speech see page 6

ANAVETS Honorary President unveils "Year of the Veteran"



The Honourable Albina Guarnieri, Minister of Veterans Affairs, and our late Honorary President John Hardy shown unveiling "2005 the Year of the Veteran".



MEET ERIN SINGER our youngest member

Meet Erin Singer, she is a 10 year old girl who lives and goes to school in Toronto, oh and she is also the youngest member of the Lambton Unit #212.

Erin's interest in veterans started in 2002 when her grade 3 class visited the Sunnybrook Veterans on Remembrance Day. Her project was to learn and then recite the poem "In Flanders Field" in French. One year later, her Grade 4 class, inspired by their teacher, wrote a book of war poems to take to the veterans at Sunnybrook that Remembrance Day and it was on that day that she officially joined the Lambton unit #212 of ANAVETS.

Erin is the middle of three children in her family. Her early years were characterized by exuberance, creativity and a flair for drama. She has developed her dramatic and musical talents through stage productions at school and in the neighborhood, and through piano lessons where she has completed her Grade 4 Royal Conservatory of Music exam.

Erin cherishes and is honoured by her membership in ANAVETS. Her uniform is the envy on many (mainly her younger sister) and she has been fortunate to be invited to many gatherings and ceremonies as a young member where she learns of the history and accomplishments of Canadian veterans and teaches these lessons to her peers.

From left to right; R.R. (Bob) Cassels (Past Dominion President) Jack Stagg (Deputy Minister of Veterans Affairs; Lou Gallant (Ontario Provincial President) James Cohen (Past President Lambton Unit #212); Chuck Byron (Dominion Vice President) and centre front; Erin Singer, ANAVETS youngest member at the Korean Wall of Remembrance Ceremony in Brampton, ON last August. Erin represents the Association at many functions and teaches other kids about the importance of remembrance.



Dominion Command Holds Annual Reception In Ottawa

President Kenneth Henderson, Vice-President George Beaulieu and his wife Eleanor, Secretary-Treasurer Lorne McCartney, and Administrative Assistant Deanna Fimrite, hosted 50 members of the veterans' community and government at the Army Officers' Mess on Thursday, 24 February 2005. The purpose of the gathering is to allow the President of ANAVETS to thank the veterans' community for their support throughout the year. It also provides an informal setting to discuss many of the issues with which all members of the community are dealing. Among those present was Minister of Veteran Affairs, Albina Guarnieri, Senators Meighan, Day, Atkins, and Forrestall. Representatives attended from other veteran groups such as The Canadian Peacekeeping Association, The Air Force Association, The Association of Veterans in United nations Peacekeeping, The Korea Veterans Associaton, All of the Cadet Leagues, Veterans Affairs Canada, the Canadian War Museum and many others. A great time was had by all and we are looking forward to having a wonderful turnout again next year.

Below, President Henderson speaks with Gilles Perron, MP and Claude Bachand, MP both of whom are members of the Standing Committee on National Defence and Veterans Affairs (SCONDVA)



President's Message



Comrades, I am more proud than ever to be leading this wonderful organization we all belong to. This feeling is brought home to me every time I represent you at events or I see changes in veteran related legislation and support that is a result of the involvement of ANAVETS in the process. Yes, we make a big difference.

This is also a time to reflect on

where we are going from here. The reason that we have so much success in influencing the government and in supporting veteran's rights is that we represent so many people. As you are all aware, due to the older demographics of our members, our membership numbers are on the decline in many areas.

It's not all bad news however. In many units, the numbers are up, and in some cases up significantly. What the Dominion Membership Committee is doing now, and what I would like everyone to try to do, is to figure out what works, and what doesn't work, and to share the success stories between units so that our membership can grow everywhere.

As you are aware, 2005 is the "Year of the Veteran" which means it will be a very busy time with all the many veterans' related events taking place. There is a big opportunity here for you all to take advantage of these special events and the PR that will be supporting the many activities surrounding these events in communities such as yours throughout Canada. Perhaps we can find opportunities to spread the word about what a wonderful organization we have and that we welcome new members.

If you do have a success story, or have ideas that will help bring in more people, please let us know and we will pass it on to the Committee.

Jenneth Hungeren

Kenneth Henderson President

New Web initiatives at the National Film Board (NFB) Free resources and greater access to the NFB collection

The National Film Board of Canada is fulfilling its goal to increase public access to the NFB collection, with three innovative Web spaces: <u>CineRoute</u>, <u>Documentary Lens</u> and <u>Images of a Forgotten War</u>. These micro-sites accessible through the NFB Web site <u>www.nfb.ca</u> offer an extensive collection of films, archival footage and educational resources.

CANADIAN SCOUTS PAY TRIBUTE TO VETERANS

Scouts Canada announced that they have partnered with Veterans Affairs, Canada Remembers Division, to bring to all Scouting members a unique opportunity to show our appreciation to those who have served, and those who continue to serve and protect peace and freedom in the world. This exciting initiative involves every member of Scouts Canada in hands-on, proactive activities, including a Thank You Card and Crest to be presented to veterans by each Scouting member (including adults). Check out the Scouts website at www.scouts.ca to get more information or contact your local scouts office to find out how your Unit can become involved in this wonderful initiative. Youth education is a cornerstone of the aims and objects of our great association so get involved!





Your Dominion staff (Deanna Fimrite and Lorne McCartney) shown with, yes you guessed it, Smokey Smith, recipient of the Victoria Cross for valor, (displaying his medals). Smokey was returning from the Veterans Affairs Canada sponsored Italian Campaign commemoration on 5 November, 2004, when Bob Cassels brought him over to join us for dinner. Also in attendance were Ken Henderson, the late John Hardy, and Gerry Wharton.

In Memoriam



WE SHALL NOT FORGET

John H. Hardy (14 February 2005)

Honorary Dominion President of ANAVETS

Lucina Walker (8 Sept 2004)

Member Assiniboia Unit #283

H. Allan Johnston (11 September 2004)

(R.C.A.F Sept 1941-June 1946; Fl/Lt.)

Assiniboia Unit #283

Joseph McInally Henderson(14 Sept

Sgt. Royal Winnipeg Rifles June 1940-1946 Life Member, Past President and Honorary

President Assiniboia Unit #283

George Jarvis (13 August 2004)

3rd Provincial Vice President, Manitoba & NW Ontario Command; Member Rockwood Unit #303

Paul Lamouraux (26 July 2004)

Past Provincial President, Manitoba & NW Ontario Command; Member

Canon John Caird (5 August 2004)

Provincial Padre, Manitoba & NW Ontario

Command, Life Member Assiniboia Unit #283

Stanley Charles Hodges (8 May 2004)

Member Steveston Unit #284

Arthur W. Hodgkinson (21 June 2004)

Member Steveston Unit #284

R.W. Hutchinson (18 August 2004)

R.C.N. 1942-1944 Member Assiniboia Unit #283

Bev Hilton (March 2004)

Member Steveston Unit #284

Gerry Merrithew (6 September 2004)

Former Minister of Veterans Affairs; Honorary Life Member of ANAVETS

Life Member of ANAVE18

Strome Galloway (11 August 2004)

Respected Ret'd Col with over 6 decades of service in uniform; Author of many articles published in the ANAVETS newsletter.

Arnold Halldorson (13 August 2004)

Member Steveston Unit #284

Emily Clemens (17 August 2004)

Member Steveston Unit #284

Thomas Young (26 May 2004)

R.C.N. 1932-1945; Member Assiniboia Unit #283

John Moore-Bunney (23 May 2004)

R.C.A.F. 1943-1945; Member Assiniboia Unit #283

William A. Hawley (31 July 2004)

R.C.H.A. 1950-1953; Member Assiniboia Unit #283

Ian B Stuart (9 August 2004)

R.C.A.F. 1966-1967; Member Assiniboia Unit #283

Bud Werseen (June 2004)

Member Steveston Unit #284

Sylvia Carty (15 December 2004)

Member, Assiniboia Unit #283

Harold Bissett (18 December 2004)

Member, Assiniboia Unit #283

Gilbert Paul (20 December 2004)

431 Sqdn Bomber Command 1942-1946 and 1958-1968

Member, Assiniboia Unit #283

John P. Waterfall (February 2005)

Unit Past President and Life Member, Sidney Unit #302; holder of the Order for Service

Cliff Davies (9 February 2005)

Unit Past President and Life Member, Brantford Unit #341

Kal Beaudoin (11 January 2005)

Member, Steveston Unit #284

Frank Van Hest (26 January 2005)

Life Member, Steveston Unit #284

Marie Snider (18 December 2004)

Member, Assiniboia Unit #283

Albert H. J. Fawcett (27 December 2004)

R.C.A.F. 1942-1946, Member, Assiniboia Unit #283

Ruth E. Scott (5 January 2005)

Member, Assiniboia Unit #283

Agnes (Nan) E. Armitage (14 January 2005)

Member, Assiniboia Unit #283

Gladys Minosky (December 2005)

Life Member Steveston Unit #283LA

Dorothy Proud (16 October 2004)

Member. Steveston Unit #284

John Iverson (October 2005)

Member, Steveston Unit #284

George Ramsav Dickson (19 October 2004)

RCAF Canada and UK 1941-1945

Member, Assiniboia Unit #283

ANAVETS CADET MEDAL OF MERIT 2004 RECIPIENTS

Cadet Names Leah Fraser (Sgt.) **1231 RCACC** Lorielle Pevie (MCpl.) **2978 RCACC** Andrew Pottie (Sgt.) 285 RCACC Kyla Chamberlaine (Sqt) 3036 RCACC Coady Jack (Sqt) 2647 RCACC Alicia Seward (Sqt) **2997 RCACC** Kristen Janes (PO1) 157 RCSCC David Rexton (PO1) 209 RCSCC Rebecca MacDonald (PO1) 305 RCSCC Stephen Hynes (Cdt) 514 RCACS Evan Heath (Sqt) 18 RC(Air)CC Kathleen Nason (Cpl) 652 RC(Air)CC Jonathan Crommey (PO2) 184 RCSCC Maria Brazil (Cdt) 284 RCSCC Catherine Arrieta CC 3014 Francis Dion CC 2644 Jean Philippe Nolet CC 2831 **Justin Demers** CC 2920 Mélanie Gaudet CC 2972 Richard Vacchino-Marceau CC 2630 CCMRC 206 Véronique Walsh Julie Gagnon Escadron 697 Cvnthia Bouchard CCMRC 267 Yannick Beauchesne CCMRC 267 Mathieu Boily CCMRC 257 Éric Washburn CCMRC 11 Samuel Blanchette CCMRC 287 Pierre Vaillancourt (Sgt) 921 RCACS Darrel Bowes-Lyon (Cpl) Michael Bowman 151 RCACS Stephanie Pavne (PO1) 135 RCSCC Justin Sharp (Sgt) 9 RCACC Christopher Langan (WO) **2881 RCACC** Stephen Collins (WO) **2861 RCACC** Michelle Ann Hall (FSgt) 758 RCACS Christine Baker (Sgt) 21 RCACC Michael Pinneault **1884 RCACC** Scott Flemming **1112 RCACC** Joey Clouthier (PO1) 104 RCSCC Allan Lee (PO2) 314 RCSCC 713 RCACS Cory deWit (FSqt) Scott Cooper 211 RCSCC Wavdelle Wright 186 RCSCC Jill McGinley (PO1) 238 RCSCC Brett Sackney (LC) 113 RCSCC Eryn Whal 903 RCACS Mathias Pielahn (Sgt) 199 RCACS Jackson Chu (Sgt) 637 RCACS Greeley Andrew **2701 RCACC** Kylan McAskile **2979 RCACC** Morgan Moe **2137 RCACC** Kaitlin Fehr (LC) RCSU (Prairie) **Eric Boulet 2701 RCACC**

Bradley Gaucher 903 RCACC Brenna Purdy (PO1) 189 RCSCC Audrey Mak 47 RCSCC Thomas Bennett 169 RCSCC Shantelle Bassi 5 RCSCC Sharon Ong **2947 RCACC Devon Critchley 3080 RCACC** Matthew Kalil 72 RCACC Christine Byers (Sgt) 243 RCACS A. Luczak



Left, Comrade Ken Barnett with Cadet recipients at HMCS Ontario in Kingston.

Below, Comrade Gerry Wharton presenting to Cadet Bradley Gaucher at the Connaught Camp in Ottawa





Comrade Dave Shaw of Nova Scotia Command, presenting to a medal at HMCS Acadia (above) and CSTC Greenwood (below-right)





Above, Alberta Provincial President, Syd Young presents Cadet Jackson Chu his medal at the Penhold Cadet Camp. Below, Comrade Bev Fester and cadet Medal of Merit winners at Vernon Cadet Camp Andrew Greenley, (left) and Morgan Moe, (right).





The Honourable

Albina Guarnieri, P.C., M.P.

Minister of Veterans Affairs

The Launch of the Year of the Veteran

Ottawa

Let me begin by extending our warmest greetings to our Veterans to the precincts of our Parliament. You are the true founders of the freedom these halls represent. And we are very honoured that you are with us today.

I am grateful to see so many Members of Parliament here from all parties to welcome our Veterans as it was right here that Parliament debated whether to send Canadians to the great wars of the last century. It was here that the courage of a nation was summoned, and hundreds of thousands of Canadians surrendered the comfort and security of home and volunteered to be exporters of peace across the ocean.

Today, we ask a new generation of Canadians to surrender their time, volunteer their hearts, and take one year to fully remember a century of sacrifice. That year is 2005 - The Year of the Veteran.

Throughout this Parliament, there are tributes to the sacrifices made by Canadians who were the pioneers of peace and forged our freedom. The Peace Tower, built in 1920, was named in honour of the men and women who made the ultimate sacrifice during the First World War.

We could not bring back to Canada the thousands lost in that war, but stones from the battlegrounds where Canadians fought were brought here and every time you step into the Memorial Chamber, you walk on the same stones that our troops did in Europe ninety years ago.

On the altar in the middle of the chamber are the Books of Remembrance. Preserved on these pages are one hundred and sixteen thousand different names for virtue and valour.

Next year, we will add a Seventh Book. It will honour those Canadians who have lost their lives since the Second World War, with the exception of those who are already commemorated in the Korean War Book of Remembrance.

The connection between Parliament and those it sent to war stands forever at the doors of the House of Commons. Watching over us is the statue of George Harold Baker, a Quebec MP, who died at Ypres at the Battle of Sanctuary Wood in 1916. George Baker remains the only MP who voted to send troops to war, then joined, fought and died in battle.

The coming year promises to be an exceptional one. 2005 will be a year to retell our history, restore our monuments and rededicate ourselves to the promotion of remembrance. The year is significant as we mark the 60th Anniversary of events leading to the end of the Second World War. In May, we will remember VE-Day with ceremonies across the country.

2005 will restore and renew many permanent tributes to the history made by our Veterans. The new Canadian War Museum will open May 8th, allowing Canadians to step back in time and absorb the reality of our nation at war.

Nowhere does that reality strike home more than in the countless cemeteries that mark fallen Canadians in Europe, Africa, and the Far East. In the peace of the present, you can still feel the pain of the past.

In May, we will ask our Veterans to cross the ocean one more time, and revisit their friends at the many Canadian cemeteries in the Netherlands. We also join the people of the Netherlands in marking the liberation of their nation.

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Minister's speech cont'd

I am happy to announce that once again we will be offering \$1,000 each to help eligible Veterans who wish to join us in Holland. Over the next while, we will be unveiling more of the national events we have planned for 2005.

But we are also encouraging communities to take the Year of the Veteran as their inspiration to seek out and explore the history of their own local heroes, and invest in their memory through street names, plaques or local events.

There should be no limit to the ways we commemorate the limitless sacrifice of our Veterans.

I want this to be a very special year, not just in Ottawa, but all across our great country.

For today's ceremony, we are turning to our history on film-a video for the Year of the Veteran that spans Canada's involvement in the world wars, Korea, and peacekeeping. Whenever we see footage from the last century, we always want to know more about who those Canadians were and what happened to them. So today, we are fortunate to have one of our film stars right here in the audience. We will see if you can pick her out in the Veterans in the crowd today.

For generations, moments of silence have been the tribute given to Veterans in a frenzied world. So our video is a silent tribute to mark a year we hope will bring out the voices of Canadians in a national show of gratitude.

With fewer and fewer first-hand witnesses from the First World War - they have been referred to as our national treasures - and those of the Second World War and the Korean War, it now falls to us, and future generations, to carry the torch of remembrance

The Year of the Veteran is our year to thank a noble generation of Canadians for the days of daring that earned an age of peace.

FOR SALE: Series of original publication hard cover books written by W. Churchill relating to WWII. (Published by Houghton Mifflin Company, Boston from 1948-1953)

Triumph and Tragedy—published 1953
The Hinge of Fate—published 1950
The Gathering Storm—published 1948
Closing the Ring—published 1951
Their Finest Hour—published 1949
The Grand Alliance –published 1951
All books are hardcover and in good condition. Asking \$150.00 for the set.
If Interested call: Mrs. C. Tryon, (204) 727-8176 or email:

tryondc@mts.net

The following 22 units increased their membership in 2004. Congratulations and well done to all of you. You're obviously working hard at your membership and it is paying off! Take a

bow!:)



Unit Name & Number

Vernon Unit #5 Penticton Unit #97 Pacific Unit #280 Sidney Unit #302 Quebec Unit #33 Sir Winston Churchill Unit #3 Maple Leaf Unit #287 Selkirk Unit #151 Thompson Unit #388 Windsor Unit #30 Kitchener Unit #247 Simcoe Unit #255 Stratford Unit #261 Lakeview Unit #262 St. Mary's Unit #265 2/10th Dragoons Unit #341 York # 383 London # 393 Carleton Place Unit #396 Orillia, Unit #400 Citadel, Unit #373 Dartmouth Unit #349

City, Command

Vernon, BC Penticton, BC Vancouver, BC Sidney, BC Ouebec City, QC Edmonton, AB Saskatoon, SK Selkirk, MB Thompson, MB Windsor, ON Kitchener, ON Simcoe, ON Stratford, ON Mississauga, ON St. Mary's, ON Brantford, ON Toronto. ON London, ON Carleton Place, ON Orillia, ON Halifax, NS Dartmouth, NS

We would also like to take this opportunity to congratulate Al Egan, Membership Chairman for Ontario Command and the Unit Membership Chair people for all their hard work to ensure an membership increase for the ENTIRE COMMAND for the second year running! Great Work!!!

Let's all agree to follow the example of the above units and work diligently and effectively to incorporate the idea of increasing membership as our number one priority in our volunteer work and play at ANAVETS.

YOU CAN DO IT!

Command and Unit News — "Making a Difference"

BC PROVINCIAL COMMAND CONVENTION REPORT

From all reports, BC Command held a very successful convention April 22-23, 2005 at Sidney Unit #302. The Honourable Iona Campagnolo, PC, CM, OBC officially opened the convention as was honoured to be presented with Honorary Life Membership in the Association by Dominion President, Ken Henderson. Comrade Byrne Turner now takes over as BC Provincial President from outgoing Don Mann and BC Command elected their 1st female Provincial Vice President in Shirley Aldridge. Congratulations to all.



Above left to right: Mike Swannell, President of Sidney unit #302 accepts a cheque from LA President Vera Dodd. The money will go towards the purchase of a new photocopier.

THANK YOU

THANK YOU....

FOR FIGHTING IN THE WAR
FOR PROTECTING OUR COUNTRY
FOR TRYING TO DEFEAT THE OTHER COUNTRIES
FOR DOING WHAT YOU DID
FOR DOING SO MANY THINGS TO PROTECT US

THANK YOU....

FOR REPRESENTING OUR COUNTRY WITH UNIFORMS
FOR MAKING FOOD FOR FELLOW SOLDIERS
FOR HELPING OTHER PEOPLE
FOR GOING ON AN AIRPLANE
FOR REMOVING THE ENEMY FROM THE SKY

THANK YOU....

FOR STAYING IN TRENCHES FOR SO MANY YEARS
FOR BEING A HERO TO OTHER PEOPLE
FOR LEAVING YOUR FAMILY TO GO OUT FOR WAR
FOR FIGHTING FOR OUR FREEDOM
THANK YOU

By Rachel; a grade 4 student in Toronto, ON

Bev Fester, President of Vernon Unit #5 donates a cheque in the amount of \$1200.00 to Jack Gareb of the Schubert Centre. The cheque will

cover the annual insurance on the van that the Unit donated back in 1991.



YEAR OF THE VETERAN 2005 EVENTS

The Year of the Veteran will be commemorated in a host of events across Canada this year. For listings of events in your community or to add your local events to the national listing please visit the VAC Website at: http://www.vac-acc.gc.ca and then click on the Year of the Veteran picture and then on Upcoming Events. There is an on-line form where you can add your event to the listing, we encourage all of our Units and members to utilize and promote this national listing to their communities, family and friends that may be interested in participating. 2005 the Year of the Veteran: Celebrate. Honour. Remember. Teach. Thank.



The New Veterans Charter is now being passed through Parliament. Bill C-45 will give Veterans Affairs Canada the tools that they need to serve the new CF veterans in a relevant and meaningful way. The new legislation grew out of the recommendations of the CF-VAC Advisory Council which tabled the report "Honouring Canada's Commitment: Opportunity with Security for Canadian Forces Veterans and Their Families in the 21st Century" That report became the basis on which Veteran Affairs Canada created their Modernization of Services Task Force which, in consolation with the veterans associations, created The New Veterans Charter. ANAVETS, along with many of the other veterans associations have been working and will continue to work to get this legislation passed and the programs therein operational to assist CF members and their families transition to civilian

life. Please find additional information on the New Veterans Charter in the attachments of this newsletter or by visiting www.vac-acc.gc.ca

Pictured right, R.R. Cassels (ANAVETS), Pierre Allard (RCL) Donald Ethell (CAVUNP), Harold Leduc (CPVA), Bob McKinnon (GWVA) and Bob Tracy (AFAC) all members of the CF-VAC Advisory Council in March 2004 at the Council 's release of their paper "Honouring Canada's Commitment: Opportunity with Security for Canadian Forces Veterans and Their Families in the 21st Century" The report was the groundwork for the New Veterans Charter.



OPENING OF THE NEW CANADIAN WAR MUSEUM

Ottawa, Ontario May 7-8th, 2005



The stage is set and the new Canadian War Museum is set to open on VE Day weekend. There will be an Open House, 9am-9pm on Saturday May 7. Enjoy live music and special guest speakers at our Opening Ceremony, 3-4pm Sunday May 8. Everyone is welcome. A culmination of years of work and fundraising will now be open for all to learn and explore Canada's military history. Comprehensive visitor services include a full-service library and archives, a boutique, a riverside café, dedicated spaces for rest and reflection, a 236 seat theatre, four ateliers, 310 indoor parking spaces, guided tours and a dedicated group entrance. The Museum presents a film and lecture series, hosts commemorative events and special exhibitions and offers educational programmes. **This is your museum**. It is for and about people like you, ordinary Canadians who have made history. In facing extraordinary challenges, their lives shaped Canada. **This is your story**. For more information visit: www.warmuseum.ca

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WE WOULD LIKE YOUR HELP

The Dominion Staff needs your help!

Four times a year we try to publish a newsletter that would be of interest to the members of the Association. It takes a great deal of time and considerable expense to publish this newsletter. Much of this time is as a result of having to retype articles and scan in pictures because they are not in electronic format.

It would very much help us if you could possibly provide your articles and supporting photographs in electronic format.

Thank you very much, Lorne and Deanna

ANAVICUS NEWS

President Ken Henderson inducted 33 new members in the United States Unit in Washington, D.C. during the American Legion's annual Washington conference February 28th, 2005 We would like to take this opportunity to welcome these new members into our United States Unit and President Henderson would like to thank everyone at the American Legion for the wonderful hospitality that they showed him.

ANAVETS Honoured

Presentation made to ANAVETS by Peter Stoffer MP, 14 December, 2004.

In the three urns: earth from Vimy Ridge, a WW I major battlefield; sand from Juno Beach, a major WW II battlefield; and earth from Korea.

From the left; our late Honorary President John Hardy; Dominion President Ken Henderson, Peter Stoffer MP (NDP Defence Critic), and Gerry Wharton (Comrade and advisor).

