



Dianne and Irving Kipnes Centre for Veterans provides comforts of home

The Dianne and Irving Kipnes Centre for Veterans has 120 long-term care priority access beds for veterans.

In addition to general long-term care, the Kipnes Centre for Veterans offers specialized programs for Dementia Care and Day Support.

This past year, following many donations from our military community, families, and friends, we updated all of the tables and chairs in our eight dining rooms. The tables are specially designed with adjustable heights to accommodate wheelchairs. This provides flexibility for seating arrangements and enhances the veterans' comfort and experience at meals.

Our fundraising focus this year is for music care, which brings so much joy to our veterans. The Jewel Rebekah Lodge #25 I.O.O.F. made a generous donation to this program to support individualized iPod music programming. This allows veterans to listen to the music they like and the songs they remember.

It is a great time for staff to reminisce with the veterans and listen to the memories and stories that a particular song evokes. We now have all genres of music from the '40s to the '80s, and we keep adding to our library.

A significant upgrade was also made to our sound system and projection screen in the great room. This was supported through a wonderful donation by the 700 Wing (City of Edmonton) Air Force Association of Canada and proceeds from the UN-NATO Veterans' "Show and Shine" event and barbecue this summer. Our veterans love to be entertained with live music, birthday parties, bingos, movie night and other special events in the great room, and the new sound system will enhance all the programs held here.

Recently the Castle Downs Recreation Society donated a replica of John McCrae's handwritten verses "In Flanders Fields" along with storyboards outlining how McCrae

served his country in the First World War, how he came to compose the poem, and on how the poem and the work of two women, "The Poppy Ladies," led to the poppy becoming the world's most recognized memorial symbol for soldiers who have died in conflict.

Veterans and their families and visitors can view the plaque and storyboards and reflect on the meaning, impact and memory of war, and the need to "always remember" the sacrifice of so many Canadians who served their country.

We are so grateful for the many amenities provided to us over the years and value the strong affiliation with our military community, families, friends and volunteers and the many donations that have been received over time. They truly do enhance the quality of life for our veterans and residents.

For more information on how to donate visit www.capitalcarefoundation.net or contact 780-448-2413.



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Mrs Nash and daughter Mary prepare poppy centre pieces for the new tables at the Kipnes Centre for Veterans.



Thank you

- 408 Tactical Helicopter Squadron
- 700 Wing (City of Edmonton) Air Force Association of Canada
- Canadian Forces Central Fund
- Edmonton Service Battalion
- Greater Edmonton Poppy Fund
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- Royal Canadian Legion Camrose Branch #57
- Royal Canadian Legion Ex. Service Women Branch #215
- Royal Canadian Legion Jasper Place Branch #255 LA
- Royal Canadian Legion Kingsway Branch #175 LA
- Royal Canadian Legion Norwood Branch #178
- Royal Canadian Legion Strathcona Branch #150 LA
- UN/NATO Veterans



Thank you to the benefactors who have fundraised, volunteered and generated donations in the past year in support of enhancements for veterans living at the CapitalCare Kipnes Centre for Veterans.

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