

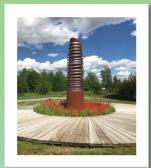
### A Month to Remember

## October 12th to November 11th, 2021 Derek Doubleday Arboretum

Please join us in a *Month to Remember* as we commemorate the following:

10 years since Canada's troop withdrawal from *Afghanistan* ● 10 years since the first tree was planted in the *Langley Youth for the Fallen: A Walk to Remember* ● 70 years since the *Battle of Gapyeong* ● 100th Anniversary of the *Royal Canadian Legion Commemorative Poppy Program* 

Some of the Derek Doubleday Arboretum sites







Battle of Gapyeong Memorial



Beverly Clay Memorial Rose Garden



David's Grove Memorial Birding Garden



LEPS Demonstration Gardens

# It's a fundraiser too!

Please visit our website:

<u>abslangley.ca</u> to contribute

to help build a beautiful

new garden or to become a

member of the ABSL



In conjunction with the

Month to Remember, we
are raising funds to create
a Korean War Memorial
Garden that will surround
the Gapyeong Stone.

Take a stroll around the 1 km *Walk to Remember* loop and see all the sites while remembering our fallen soldiers

Please join us on **November 11th at 2 PM**at the Derek Doubleday Arboretum 21177
Fraser Hwy (just west of the Airport) for a
special celebration to conclude the *Month to Remember* 

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Here are some drawings of the proposed

Korean War Memorial Garden





#### What we're commemorating during the Month to Remember



#### A Walk to Remember

Spearheaded by two Langley youth and their organization, Langley Youth for the Fallen: A Walk to Remember, the Walk commemorates Canadian Forces personnel who lost their lives while serving in the Canadian mission in Afghanistan (2002-2011). A total of 162 trees were planted at the Arboretum in honour of the 162 Canadians who lost their lives (including four civilians) through the nine years of the Afghan mission. The central commemorative feature is symbolic of a tree whose life has been cut short. Wrapped around the trunk, a steel ribbon ascends towards the sky, carrying the names of the fallen Canadians.



#### Gapyeong Stone

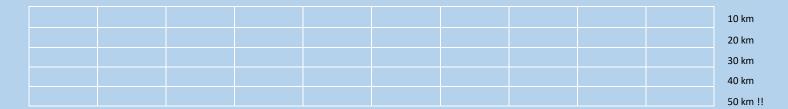
The Gapyeong Stone Korean War Memorial was unveiled to commemorate the sacrifice, honour and gratitude for the contribution of Canadian armed forces in the Korean War during the battle of Kapyong (Gapyeong) in April of 1951. The Battle of Kapyong was Canada's most significant action of the Korean War. Fought in the hills above the Kapyong Valley, Canadian and United Nations soldiers held back a major enemy offensive. The fallen soldiers were among the 516 Canadians who died in service during the Korean War.



#### Commemorative Poppy Flower—100th Anniversary

In July 1921, the Great War Veterans Association - which in 1925 would unify with other groups to form the Canadian Legion - adopted the Poppy as the flower of Remembrance. To celebrate this 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary, the Royal Canadian Legion has produced this commemorative Poppy, a pin reminiscent of the first Poppies distributed after the First World War.

## Keep track of the number of loops you do of the 1 km *Walk to Remember*Bring this to our celebration on November 11th and receive a special memento!



Please help us in our fundraising efforts by making a contribution on our <u>website</u> or by cheque: Arboretum and Botanical Society of Langley, PO Box 315 20465 Douglas Cres, Langley BC, V3A 4B6

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