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READING AND REMEMBRANCE: A PROVINCIAL PROJECT NOVEMBER 11 AT 2:11 P.M.

A demonstration of young people taking up the torch of remembrance

Remembrance Day this year was a little different in 104 schools for 35,000 students across Ontario. At 2:11 p.m. these young people participated in the provincial *Reading and Remembrance* project. As Ajax-Pickering M.P. Mark Holland predicted in federal parliament, they came together, "in creative and innovative ways" to read *In Flanders Fields*. The project, organized by the Durham West Arts Centre and supported by Veterans Affairs Canada, Ontario Power Generation and the Ontario Legion, reached communities in every corner of the province. "We're still hearing of new schools that participated. Just this morning, schools in Deseronto, Barrie and Harrowsmith contacted us," noted Executive Director Angie Littlefield. "On Friday I saw the magic that happened when Lieutenant Governor James K. Bartleman visited the young people of Huron Heights in Kincardine. He made the reading event so special with his interactive presentation of war stories that no student will ever forget Remembrance Day 2005. We know from other schools reporting in that the tributes to veterans in this special "Year of the Veteran" were truly a demonstration of young people taking up the torch of remembrance."

There will be a special presentation of the Honour Roll Schools to Veterans early in 2006. Details of this special event will be on the Durham West Arts Centre website dwac.ca as soon as details of guests and location are available. Schools wishing to participate in a voluntary reading mentorship program with veterans and service people, should contact info@dwac.ca

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