

READING AND REMEMBRANCE

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MEDIA RELEASE FOR BLACK HISTORY MONTH

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*From the home front to far-flung foreign fronts the provincial project
Readingandremembrance.ca pays tribute to Black History Month*

Pickering – William Hall, Sam Estwick, Gerald Bell and Marguerite Downs head lists of firsts for black Canadians. Their impressive firsts, however, take second place to the perseverance and dedication they demonstrate for “Character Education” for all young people.

The Reading and Remembrance project clusters a singer, a French civil servant and Pearson Peacekeeping Centre facilitators with five individuals from the Canadian military to highlight the diversity of their service. The 150 year window from Quartermaster Hall who earned his Victoria Cross in 1857 to Chief Warrant Officer Kevin Junor who served as a peacekeeper in Sierra Leone in 2007 opens up many leads for further study of Black History.

Ontario Power Generation, the founding sponsor of the seven year old Readingandremembrance.ca project joins lead organization the Ontario Historical Society in promoting the free downloadable materials in support of Black History Month.

Don Terry, a long time supporter of the project stated, “OPG as an employer values each person's diversity, unique background, experience, perspective and talents. These Minutes for Black History Month demonstrate that same commitment to valuing diversity in the local and in the world community.”



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