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As 2016 comes to a close, RCAA would like to wish its members, partners and other industry professionals a safe and happy holiday season. As we reflect on the past year for the industry, we would like to provide the readers of the Royal Canadian Artillery Association News a look at the most accessed articles from the year. Our regular publication will resume Thursday, Jan. 5, 2017.

New commanders to take over Canadian Army divisions



Ottawa Citizen

From June 30: Three of four Canadian Army Divisions will have new commanders this summer, according to the army. A series of ceremonies will take place to mark the changes of command for the 2nd, 3rd and 4th Canadian Divisions, the army noted in a news release. Each ceremony will be presided over by Lieutenant-General Marquis Hainse, Commander Canadian Army. **READ MORE**

Canada buying new fleet of lightweight combat vehicles that could cost over \$190,000 each



Global News

From Aug. 18: As the Canadian government continues to come under fire for exports of armoured personnel carriers to countries like Saudi Arabia and South Sudan, our own military is looking to augment its capabilities with an entirely new type of ground vehicle. Following in the footsteps of the American military, Canada has issued a call for tender for 52 new ultra-light combat vehicles, or ULCVs. **READ MORE**

Defence firm blasted for 'shameful' claim Canadian soldiers were



biased during equipment trial

National Post

From Feb. 18: A federal trade tribunal has torn a strip off the subsidiary of a U.S. defence firm for insulting Canadian soldiers, calling it shameful that the company made unsubstantiated claims that the troops were biased when testing battlefield communications equipment. **READ MORE**

Canada's first veterans ombudsman shocked it took 5 years to track homeless vets



CBC News

From Jan. 14: Pat Stogran, Canada's first veterans ombudsman, vividly recalls being hauled into the minister's office one day in late 2008, where an angry, red-faced Greg Thompson — the veterans minister of the day — upbraided him for making public the issue of homelessness among ex-soldiers. **READ MORE**

5 tips to help keep your Remembrance Day poppy in place



York Region News

From Nov. 3: Each year, people drop coins into poppy boxes as local Royal Canadian Legions run poppy campaigns to raise funds in support of veterans and their families. While Canadians from coast to coast are proud to wear the symbol, it is frustrating when they continually fall from your lapel. Here are a few tips and tricks to help you keep your poppy in place. **READ MORE**

The Queen receives a maquette of Canadian soldier and poet John McCrae



Royal Family

From Oct. 27: The Queen, Captain General, Royal Regiment of Canadian Artillery, received Brigadier General James Selbie (Colonel Commandant, Royal Regiment of Canadian Artillery) at Buckingham Palace. The Brigadier presented Her Majesty with a maquette of a statue of Lt. Col. John McCrae (1872-1918): Canadian Gunner, Physician & Poet, and author of *In Flanders Fields*. **READ MORE**

Changes To Canadian Army General Officers Uniform



From April 7: Beginning in 2011 with the MND restoration of the names of the Royal Canadian Navy, Canadian Army, and the Royal Canadian Air Force and the MND restoration of Canadian Army Non-Commissioned Member rank names and officer rank insignia in 2013, the Canadian Army has been in a progressive evolution of its Corps and Army identity to reflect a balance of its pre-1968 roots alongside its Canadian Armed Forces unification identity. **READ MORE**

A father of Canadian artillery



The Whig

From Feb. 4: British forces boarded ocean-going vessels after Confederation, returning to the United Kingdom. Canadians were ready to develop their own military forces. The new country still had some work to do, including establishing permanent artillery batteries. Gunnery schools were established in Quebec City, and later Kingston, to train the inexperienced recruits. An experienced commander was required. **READ MORE**

From the Sault, this weapon can destroy a house in Richards Landing



SOO Today

From Feb. 18: Members of the 49th Field Artillery Regiment are developing proficiency with a state-of-the-art howitzer that can accurately hit house-sized targets more than 30 kilometres away. The Royal Canadian Artillery's new M777 lightweight 155-mm howitzer is equipped with a digital gun management system that can direct guided projectiles using an inertial navigation unit combined with global positioning system (GPS) satellites or lasers. **READ MORE**

Top ranks of Canadian Forces get shake-up with new army, navy



commanders

CBC News

From Jan. 21: Canada's top general is shaking up the highest ranks of the Canadian Forces with the appointment of new commanders for the army and navy following several high-profile retirements. "I offer my sincere gratitude and appreciation to all those completing their honourable and selfless service to Canada and the Canadian Armed Forces," Gen. Jonathan Vance said in a statement announcing the departure of seven senior officers. **READ MORE**

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