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DEFENCE NEWS

Ceremony to honour Cpl. Nathan Cirillo, Warrant Officer Patrice Vincent to be held in Ottawa



CBC News

A ceremonial service to commemorate the Parliament Hill shooting and the lives of two soldiers killed on their home soil last October is set to take place at the National War Memorial. The prime minister, governor general, military officials, Ottawa's mayor and members of the public will gather around the granite arch of the memorial to pay tribute. **READ MORE**



Canada to withdraw fighter jets from Syria and Iraq strikes



BBC News

Canadian Prime Minister-designate Justin Trudeau has confirmed he will withdraw Canadian fighter jets from the air strikes against Islamic State in Iraq and Syria. He informed U.S. President Barack Obama of his decision hours after leading his Liberal Party to victory in the polls. **READ MORE**

Lougheed House exhibit explores Canadian women's roles in WWII



The Calgary Herald

A new exhibit at Lougheed House showcases the lives of Alberta women who served in the armed forces during World War II. Though women had long been involved in war efforts, the Second World War marked the first time that they were actually an official part of the Canadian Forces. The Herald's Erika Stark spoke to Lougheed House curator Trisha Carleton about the museum's exhibit on the Canadian Women's Army Corps. **READ MORE**

Timmins Legion set to launch poppy campaign



Timmins Press

When poppies go out to the public in Timmins at the end of this month, you know that Bill Pigeon will be somewhere nearby. Pigeon, president of Royal Canadian Legion Branch 88, has been chairman of the annual Timmins poppy campaign for years. Pigeon is passionate about the importance of poppies, both as a symbol and as a vital fundraiser for the Legion. **READ MORE**

NATO veterans prepare for Remembrance Day



Cambridge Times

"I am a member of Hespeler Branch 272 of the Royal Canadian Legion," said army veteran Gerry Bryan. He is also the president of Unit 5 NATO Vets organization. NATO is the acronym for the North Atlantic Treaty Organization in which the Canadian military plays a large role. He had the honour of playing the last post on his bugle while floating on a barge down the St. Lawrence River under the Jacques Cartier Bridge. **READ MORE**

Veteran Affairs has hired only 25 injured soldiers in the last decade



Ottawa Citizen

According to statistics from the Public Service Commission, Veterans Affairs only hired 25 former soldiers who had been medically released in the past decade, and just one in the last two years, as the government was emphasizing the need for such hirings. Over this 10-year period, the Department of National Defence has hired 838, or almost 71 per cent, of the total of 1,184 injured soldiers now working in the public service, according to the statistics. **READ MORE**

Remembrance Day-themed coins to be unveiled at Guelph's McCrae House



Guelph Mercury

McCrae House is to be the site for a Royal Canadian Mint official unveiling of new Remembrance-themed circulation coins. The ceremony at the birthplace of Lt. Col. John McCrae is to be followed by a public coin exchange where McCrae House visitors can trade their change for the new circulation coins. **READ MORE**

RCAA NEWS AND UPDATES

The Royal Regiment of Canadian Artillery unveils a new website



The Royal Regiment of Canadian Artillery unveils a new website at www.artillery.net, an exciting new look! **READ MORE**

RCAA Bursaries



The RCAA annually awards two bursaries to deserving Gunner members of Reserve Force Artillery units who are currently enrolled in a post-secondary educational institution on a full time basis. The LCol Jack Dehart MC, CD bursary is awarded to a Junior Officer who has successfully completed one year of post-secondary education, completed Artillery DP1 and is recommended by the Commanding Officer. The value of the bursary is \$1,000.00.

The Master Gunner E.M. "Chip" Evoy MM and Bar bursary is awarded to an NCM who has completed one year of post-secondary education, successfully completed appropriate military training and is recommended by the Commanding Officer. The value of the bursary is \$1,000.00.

All Reserve Force units have been advised that applications for 2016 are due to the RCAA Executive Director no later than 31 December 2015. If you are interested in applying for a bursary to assist you in your education

endeavours speak to your Adjutant.

Bourses de l'Association de l'Artillerie royale canadienne (l'AARC)



Chaque année, l'AARC décerne deux bourses d'études à des membres provenant d'unités d'artillerie de la Force de réserve qui poursuivent des études postsecondaires à temps plein. La bourse du LCol Jack de Hart MC, CD est décernée à un officier subalterne qualifié DP1 — Artillerie ayant complété avec succès une année d'études postsecondaires et ayant été recommandé par son commandant d'unité. La bourse est d'une valeur de 1000.00\$.

La bourse du Maître Canonnier "Chip" EM Evoy MM, Bar est décernée à un militaire du rang ayant terminé une année d'études postsecondaires qui a aussi complété avec succès sa formation militaire, et ayant été recommandé par son commandant d'unité. La valeur de la bourse est de 1000.00\$.

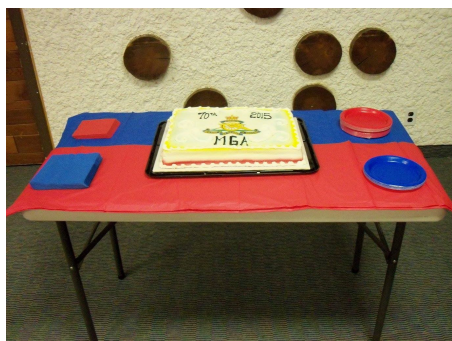
Toutes les unités de la Force de réserve ont été informées que les applications pour les bourses de 2016 doivent être reçues par le Directeur Exécutif de l'AARC au plus tard le 31 décembre 2015. Si vous êtes intéressés à postuler pour une bourse pour supporter vos efforts académiques, renseignez-vous auprès de votre capitaine-adjutant.

Canadian Combat Pilots in the Cold War



Click Here to view the video that covers the Canadian Forces deployment in Baden, Germany, from 1953 to 1993, the Cold War era. Although the focus is on on RCAF there are several shots that will bring memories back for those of you who served in Baden. Enjoy the nostalgia. **READ MORE**

Manitoba Gunners Association Stands Down



Sad news was received from the Manitoba Gunners Association that they will be standing down after 70 years in existence. The Association has been a focus for gunners in the wider Manitoba area having had reunions over the years in Shilo, Brandon, Portage la Prairie and other gunner hot spots. The attendance at the Association's reunions has dropped over the past decades.

The Association Chair, WO (Ret'd), Doc Halliday noted, "We went from 130 members 20 years ago to 10 at this year's reunion; totally discouraging. We are donating our remaining funds to the Shilo Artillery Reunion for use towards the reunion in 2018. I will keep the Facebook page up and running so we Manitoba Gunners can stay in contact." **READ**

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