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*** Last Post ***



I need a piper for a Cameron Association member's funeral ???

For those of you who are trying to plan ahead or suddenly need to book a piper for one of our Comrades and don't know how it is done here you go:

1. Contact the President of the Cameron Association or the Editor of the Oatmeal Rag at a reasonable hour using the contact information on the front page of the current issue; and
2. We'll pass you the contact information of the current Cameron Pipe-Major (because the appointment does actually change from century to century or so and otherwise you may call the wrong guy); and
3. The P/M will help you to make the appropriate arrangements.

EMILE KENNEDY

http://passages.winnipegfreepress.com/passage-details/id-206348/name-Emile_Kennedy/min-run-date-1380344400/order-publish_date|DESC,last_name|ASC/

EMILE MILLIAN KENNEDY B.A., B.S.W. 23rd of September, 2013, at St. Boniface Hospital in Winnipeg after a lengthy illness. Beloved husband of Charlotte (Solar) and father of Jonathan and Justyn. Emile grew up in the North End of Winnipeg and worked as a policeman for the Canadian Pacific Railway before joining the Winnipeg Police Department where he served as a Detective. Later returning to school, he obtained his B.A. in History (Dean's Honour List) from the U. of Winnipeg and a Bachelor of Social Work from the U. of M. He went on to work for the Manitoba Provincial Government as Director of Income Security for Winnipeg South and then as a social worker for the Provincial Department of Health and Social Development until his retirement.

Emile was a passionate collector of stamps and coins, and especially Canadian Military cap badges and militaria; a longstanding member of the Military Collectors Club of Canada and Curator of the Queen's Own Cameron Highlander's of Canada Museum at Minto Armouries as well. He was a member of the Winnipeg Police Veterans Association and the Manitoba Government Employees Association. He will be sadly missed by his family and our cats: Milo and Moe.

The family wishes to thank the staff at the St. Boniface Hospital E5 I.C.U. and Dr. W. Glew and Home Care staff for their care and compassion. Also thanks to all of Emile's friends both in Winnipeg and abroad, co-workers, neighbours and fellow collectors from over the years. To honour Emile's wishes, cremation has taken place and there will be no service. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Winnipeg Humane Society in his name. Eternally Remembered

Full obit published in the Winnipeg Free Press on September 28, 2013

WILLIAM DUNCAN

http://passages.winnipegfreepress.com/passage-details/id-205974/name-William-Duncan/min-run-date-1376888400/date-range-month/classification-id-1/order-publish_date|DESC,last_name|ASC,first_name|ASC/page-2/

WILLIAM STEPHEN DUNCAN It is with great sadness that we announce the passing of William on September 13, 2013 at 88 years of age. William is survived by daughter Bev; sons Jim, Albert (Maria) and Billy (Karen); grandchildren Kathy, Cary and Tammy. He was predeceased by his wife Audrey. The family would like to thank the home care workers for their care and compassion. Cremation has taken place and a Celebration of Life will be held on Thursday, September 19 at 1:00 p.m. at Henderson Hwy Legion Branch 215, 3600 de Vries Ave., East St. Paul. Cropro Funeral Chapel, 204-586-8044

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WILLIAM TAYLOR

http://passages.winnipegfreepress.com/passage-details/id-205504/name-William-Taylor/min-run-date-1375160400/date-range-month/classification-id-1/order-publish_date|DESC,last_name|ASC,first_name|ASC/

WILLIAM (Bill) ARTHUR TAYLOR President of the AVR. On Monday, August 26, 2013, at approximately 1:46 a.m., after a very long and hard-fought battle, Bill passed peacefully into the arms of his Lord. He was surrounded, and held tenderly, by his wife of nearly 40 years, his two children, his best friend Dr. Len LaRue, and two ministers. Dad was born in an elevator in the Vancouver General Hospital on October 24, 1944, during the Second World War.

He was the president and founder of the Assiniboine Valley Railway (AVR), the owner and CEO of W.A. Refrigeration and Air Conditioning Ltd., Clear Spring Ice, Sweden Freezer, and co-owner of Rodway Refrigeration. Bill was passionate about the AVR, and ran a dinner train every fall, as well as regular open houses and public runs. He was driven every year to put up a Christmas light display that was open to the public, and eventually contained well over 100,000 lights and structures. The trains ran through the light display and lit up the faces and hearts of many of Winnipeg's citizens. Earlier he owned and operated a hobby shop in St. James, as well as a restaurant, Arthur's Table, in Charleswood. He served for many years as the chair of MOPIA. He contributed to the designing of the refrigeration course programs offered at Red River College. He was a very active member of The Winnipeg Model Railroad Club for much of his life. Bill acted as editor, president, and vice president at different times for the Lantern magazine. He was an active member of St. Stephen's Broadway United Church, in earlier years, where he began ushering for services at age 12. He was an active member of Westminster United Church for close to 40 years, where he sang in the choir for nearly three decades, and served on various committees. Bill was the founding business manager of the Westminster Organ Series. He contributed to Habitat for Humanity. He also regularly donated blood and sponsored many children through Humanitarian organizations. Dad was an active leader in the Scouts Canada Movement, and specifically the 82nd troop for many years. Dad was one of the Queen's Own Highlanders Of Canada Cadets and graduated as a Cadet Captain. CO of B Company

and Master Cadet. Bill rejoined the Cameron Regimental family for the 100th Anniversary celebrations.

He also graduated from Red River College at the top of his class. Recently he was awarded the Queen's Diamond Jubilee Medal for volunteerism. Bill Taylor is survived by: his loving and devoted wife, Mary-Lou Taylor (nee Whillans), of what would have been 40 years this September 7; his daughter, Lisa Taylor (Brent Maunder); his son, Paul Taylor (Jacqueline Foley).

Funeral arrangements have been made through Thompson on Broadway, and the service was held at the First Presbyterian Church 61 Picardy Place at 11:00 a.m.

Interment will take place between receptions at Chapel Lawn Cemetery 4000 Portage Avenue. The family respectfully asks that the celebration of life reception, taking place at the Taylor Family Estate after the interment, be limited to those who knew Bill Taylor and/or members of the family personally. Donations can be made in Bill's memory to the Liver and Kidney Foundation, Heart and Stroke Foundation, Assiniboine Valley Railway, PLAN, or a charity of your choice. Special thanks are extended to all those who have helped to support Bill or the family in bodily care, spirit, or prayer.

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JOE CHOLOSKY

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JOE (JOSEPH) CHOLOSKY Peacefully, after a short illness, on Sunday, July 7, 2013 at the Selkirk General Hospital, Joe Cholosky passed away at the age of 88 years with family by his side. Joe was born on April 18, 1925 in Selkirk, MB. He worked at the Selkirk Co-operative Store, Imperial Motors, and Manitoba Rolling Mills as a power engineer for 42 years. Joe had a Life membership at the Royal Canadian Legion #42, Royal Canadian Legion Over 60 Club, Army, Navy & Air Force Veterans #151, Fort Garry Horse Association, and Gordon Howard Seniors Centre.

He served overseas in the Second World War with the Queens Own Cameron Highlanders Fort Garry Horse occupation army in Germany with 3rd North Shore Regiment.

Joe is survived by his wife of 64 years, Dorothy (Little); daughter Linda McKenzie (Greg); son Gary (Diana).

A memorial service was held on Thursday, July 11 at 1:00 p.m. in the Gilbert Funeral Chapel in Selkirk, Manitoba. In lieu of flowers, donations in Joe's memory can be made to CancerCare Manitoba. Gilbert Funeral Home, Selkirk in care of arrangements. www.gilbertfuneralhome.com

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ANTHONY SEMKIW

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ANTHONY SEMKIW April 10, 1919 June 13, 2013 He will be missed by his devoted wife, Rose, of 66 years. He will also be missed greatly by his children Allan (Donna), Ken (Kelly), Gary (Linda) and Terry (Roxanne).

Tony was born in Meleb, MB to his late parents Peter and Patricia Semkiw. He has one surviving brother, Carl of Toronto. In his younger years he had attended Cumming School, worked on his parents' farm, worked in the creamery in Fraserwood and cut cord wood from the bush as most prairie farmers did in those days. He enlisted into the armed forces in 1939 and served till the end of the war in 1945.

He first enlisted as a Regimental Police Officer for two and a half years. Then he transferred over to The Queen's Own Cameron Highlanders of Canada and Winnipeg Grenadiers for the remainder of the war. He served in the United Kingdom and Continental Europe. Tony had worked for Westroc Industries from 1947 to his retirement in 1984. He lived most of his married life on Seymour Street and Burrin Avenue. He was a lifetime member of the Royal Canadian Legion Branch 141 and a past member of the Blessed Virgin Mary Church. The family would also like to thank the staff of Deer Lodge Hospital (Tower 5) for the care they had provided to Tony. In lieu of flowers donations can be made to the charity of your choice. Funeral Service was held at Glen Eden Funeral Home, 4477 Main St., West St. Paul, MB on Tuesday, June 18, 2013 at 10:00 a.m. Interment to follow in Glen Eden Memorial Gardens. Glen Eden Funeral Home 338-7111

As published in the Winnipeg Free Press on June 15, 2013

Widow's / Widower's Supplement

There is income supplement for widows / widowers. They will mail out a form for the survivor to complete. You will need proof of marriage and his regimental number etc. and her income tax forms. If the financial situation is going badly the survivor should contact Veterans Affairs.

*** Sick & Visiting ***

Allison Darling (wife of Col. Bob Darling of the Cameron Advisory Bd and Association mbr) has not been in top form of late. Get well soon !

Vi Miller (Russ's widow) HO'D got by to see in early July. She has also been to visit the MO. She's back at home now and feeling better.

Archie Moore (Korea, Post SWW Cameron) – Archie is now a resident at Riverwood Square in Room #8. He enjoys company and always has a quick joke for visitors. Visitors are advised that this is a secure facility as some residents are known to wander. Be sure to be clear on how this place works or you may get to spend the night too.

Tel:(204) 275-7632

<http://www.riverwoodsquare.com/home>

1778 Pembina Highway

Winnipeg, MB

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Don Morrison (Post SWW) had ticker trouble in May with 10 days stay at the St. B Hospital.

Tom Munro (Borneo) - not top form. Back home & getting out to Rockwood ANAF so things aren't all bad.

Ken Smith (SWW) still not in top form following his car accident. Will not be coming out for the reunion this year. Has been in touch with Vi Miller.

Roy Taylor (SWW RAF, Post SWW Cameron) Roy is at home and comfortable. He enjoys short visits but does get tired quickly. He's doing much better these days than he was a year ago – and I'm sure glad to see it every time I visit him. He really liked the 50th Reunion ball cap too Don.

*** President's Message ***

Steve MacMillan wishes us all a Happy Thanksgiving and thanks for the votes of confidence.

*** Vice-President's Message ***

Karen would like to thank Steve MacMillan at this time for having made all of his meetings over the past year and leaving her in peace to sort out her neighbour's dog.

*** Reconnect with Former Camerons ***

This is an important thing to do for the health of the Association. There are still lots of former Camerons out there that we don't know about for various reasons. Just because you or they weren't Second World War or Korea veterans doesn't make them any less important to the Cameron Association. Please help us locate them and bring them back into the fold. The ranks of the SWW guys are almost non-existent now and the torch must pass to the following generations of Camerons that we may continue to serve our fellow Camerons.

We have only 34 paid up members at this time.

*** Where Are They Now ? ***

Sgt Doug Setter Royal Westminster Regt was attached to "B" Coy 2 VP after which he was a Cameron for a few years before returning to the coast.

<http://www.theprovince.com/news/Canadian+soldiers+gathering+here+mark+20th+anniversary+action+Serb+Croat+conflict/8964577/story.html>



"Wee Davie" Campbell, as Bill Worden used to call him is now in Fort Lauderdale Florida. Poor guy, all those hurricanes and tourists....

Mr.A. Mortimer is still happily bashing away doing full time work at the McPhillip's Street Casino. No, NOT filling the VLT's with his own money !

Maj. (Ret'd) Ken Smith is still playing gracious godfather to BC Junior Football. Having turned in his civy 404's for a Skytrain he can pop up all over BC to present awards – and does ! See page 3 on the following link:

http://media.hometeamsonline.com/photos/football/FOOTBALLBCFC/Total_Thursday_Volume_2_Issue_7.pdf

Bill Boivin, another of our BC branch of the Cameron Clan will be a bit older by this time this edition reaches him. Happy 99th Bill !

Dieppe Raid Overwatch letter from Gordon Krip:

" Historian Brian O'Keefe will be in Montreal next April (2014) to present his stunning report and discussion about Dieppe Uncovered. The date of his presentation is 01 April 2014, so hope this is not "jour de Poisson" which is the Quebec translation for April Fools Day.

I am definitely planning to attend. Not sure if he will be out your way.

If anybody in the group would like to provide any comments I would be glad to bring them up at the lecture and will respond accordingly."

How about the rest of you ? Drop us a line and let us know what you are doing !

*** 2013-14 Dues (\$10) Still Payable until Aug 2014 ***

As of any old time you can connect with Association Treasurer David Gibson (per the cover page of the Oatmeal Rag) who will take your payment. If you are not sure of your status please contact Dave and he'll either be happy to take your \$10.00 payment or be most unhappy that he doesn't get to take any money from you – yet – this year.

A quick reminder that donations over \$25 to Association done through the Cameron Foundation will be given a tax receipt !

*** Cameron Association Activities ***

100th Anniversary of Minto: 02 Nov 2013

Grid: Minto and Parade Square

Time: 02 Nov 2013 – 08-1600, Usual dog and pony show but at least one mess should be open in the pm.

Cost: Nil

Remembrance Day: 11 Nov 2013

Grid: Minto Parade Square seating areas

Time: 1030 hrs - Seated No Later Than 1030 hrs (but be early !)

Cost: A helluva a lot of fine Canadians have already paid for you. Show up eh !

Christmas Caroling: 13 Dec 2013

Grid: HCol Bob Vandewater's home

Time: 1800 hrs at Minto, gather up and head over around 1930 hrs

Cost: Association membership paid up – and tell me that you'll be there at least a week ahead of time please.

Men's Dinner: 14 Dec 2013

Grid: Minto Armouries

Time: 1730-ish last I heard. If you let me know that you're coming I'll make sure you get any time details and so on.

Cost: Association membership paid up – and tell me that you'll be there no Later Than 02 Dec 2013 so that I can pass our numbers to the Unit.

Levee: 01 Jan 2014

Grid: Minto Armouries

Time: TBC

Cost: Your bar bill. And maybe a friend's bill ?

Cameron Robbie Burn's Dinner: 25 Jan 2014

Grid: Fort Garry Hotel 7th Floor Concert Room

Time: 1800 for 1910hrs

Cost: \$75 per person

Dress: Mess Kit, Regimental Blazer, or Dark Business Suit

Cameron Robbie Burn's Dinner Jan 25, 2014 Guestroom Block Info:

The Fort Garry Hotel is pleased to confirm that we have set aside a block of guestrooms for the night of January 25, 2014 for your group at the following rates:

\$119.00 Queen, Double/Double or King Room

Rates are based on single or double occupancy. Breakfast is not included in the above rates. Guests will have the option at the time of making their reservation or on check in to indicate if they wish to have breakfast for \$10/per person or Sunday Brunch for \$25 per person included with their guestroom rate.

Rooms will be released on December 27, 2013. Any guests requiring rooms after the release date will be given the negotiated group rate based on remaining inventory. Guests can make reservations in one of the following ways:

Telephone	204 942 8251 – Press Option 1
Toll Free	1 800 665 8088 – Press Option 1
Email	ftgarry@fortgarryhotel.com

Guests should quote group Code **10J8V4** to receive this discounted rate.

Kirk Parade: 02 Feb 2014

Grid: 1st Presbyterian Church

61 Picardy Place

Winnipeg, Canada

<http://www.firstpresbyterianwinnipeg.com/>

Time: About 0945 in the Kirk Hall normally. More to follow closer to the day.

Cost: A penny for the plate, please.

FGH Battlefield Tour of Europe for the 70th Anniversary of D-Day

At this point there seems to be 15 confirmed attendees, interest from 2 more and then others joining in while there.

The FGH are planning a battlefield tour of Europe for the 70th anniversary of D-Day. The current plan (which is still rough and being worked on) is:

Sat, 31 May 14 - fly to London

Sun, 1 Jun 14 - arrive London, check into hotel, free time

Mon, 2 Jun 14 - possible visit to either Bovington tank museum or the Allied Regt - RDG

Tue, 3 Jun 14 - the opposite of what we didn't do yesterday

Wed, 4 Jun 14 - move to Portsmouth, ceremony at Portsmouth, take overnight ferry to Ouistreham

Thu, 5 Jun 14 - free time in Caen and area

Fri, 6 Jun 14 - D-Day remembrance activities in St Aubin sur Mer, Bernieres sur Mer and Coursulles sur Mer

Sat, 7 Jun 14 - Juno Beach Center, Thaon, Carpiquet

Sun, 8 Jun 14 - Arromanches, Bayeux

Mon, 9 Jun 14 - move to Dieppe, conduct tour of Dieppe battlefield

Tue, 10 Jun 14 - move to Amiens, conduct battlefield tours of Moreuil Wood and Rifle Wood

Wed, 11 Jun 14 - Vimy Ridge tour and then move to Cambrai

Thu, 12 Jun 14 - battlefield tour of Cambrai

Fri, 13 Jun 14 - move to Paris - free time

Sat, 14 Jun 14 - free time in Paris

Sun, 15 Jun 14 - fly from Paris to Winnipeg

There will be abilities to enter and leave the trip at various points. The entry points are:

Sat, 31 May 14 in Winnipeg

Sun, 1 Jun 14 to Wed, 4 Jun 14 in London

Thu, 5 Jun 14 in Caen

Mon, 9 Jun 14 in Caen or Dieppe

Departure points are:

Mon, 9 Jun 14 in Caen

Fri, 13 Jun 14 to Sun, 15 Jun 14 in Paris

Please contact LCol (Ret'd) Dave Atwell if you wish to join this trip. For the moment, the planning figure for costs is approx \$3,800 which will cover flights, hotels, and local transportation. Meals, beverages and entertainment will be on your own above this.

If you are already planning to go on your own, we can arrange to link up at various points during the trip.

We are also attempting to coordinate this trip with other units from Winnipeg, such as the Royal Winnipeg Rifles, the Queen's Own Cameron Highlanders and 411 Squadron.

Contact info for Dave Atwell will be forthcoming, or if you're in a hurry to book please contact the editor of the Oatmeal Rag (Hugh O'Donnell) and he will put you in touch.

CAMERON ASSOCIATION KIT SHOP stuff:

Stickers are \$2.00 each and Lapel Pins (3/4 Inch diameter) are \$5.00 each.

(001) Silver Badge on Blue, adhesive backing.

(003) Blue Badge on Silver, adhesive backing.

(005) Blue/Silver Badge on Clear, adhesive on face side for glass.



The pictures were taken on a red background to try to highlight the different styles of sticker. The sticker on the right is on a transparent background sheet, hence it looks red. They will be available at the Cameron Museum on Tuesday nights from Mike Nickerson or from the website.

*** Regimental Web Sites ***

The Unit web site is still up running at:

<http://thequeensowncameronhighlandersofcanada.net/>

Our Picasaweb site is also worth a look and is full of little details about our history:

<http://picasaweb.google.com/117042978234752447737?gsessionid=2I4fhFnicaBQw1UpIRMSlw>

We have had a few requests through the unit web site for information re Lt-Col. Robert Shankland, V.C., D.C.M. If anybody can help out with them please do so:

Mr. John Nadler, the author of *A Perfect Hell* (about Canada's First Special Service Force in the SWW), is now in the process of writing a book on the Valour Road heroes.

He is wanting to see a published regimental history of ours that covers the activities in the FWW, and includes Shankland's exploits and a description of the Camerons' roles in these battles. I think that we can help out there ! He's also after any 2nd Bn CEF information that may be found here in Wpg regarding A/Cpl Leo Clarke.

If anybody besides Sgt. Grant Tyler has any details about any After Action Reports, soldiers' accounts, intelligence reports, anything you might have regarding Shankland's exploits, and the Camerons at Sanctuary Wood (where Shankland won the DCM) and Bellevue Spur it would be great if you could pass him a copy for use in the book. He is also interested in any information about visits by LCol Shankland to the regiment after the wars, especially written material.

Newspaper accounts state that John Ritchie and Shankland lived together at 733 Pine Street (Valour Road) in 1914. Shankland's military pay records indicate a portion of his pay was being sent to George Ritchie, which may have been a relation to John. And one newspaper account stated that the fudge tin that saved his life was sent by a John Ritchie's sister. Would anybody know of any reference to a John Ritchie in the 43rd Battalion! It may be that Shankland's friend John joined up.

Anyway, many thanks and of course any information he uncover on his end, he'll forward on to us. Not a bad trade I hope !

John Nadler

Previous bookreview: <http://www.journal.forces.gc.ca/vo7/no1/book-livre-05-eng.asp>
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Dr. Nathan M. Greenfield is a military historian in Ottawa and is looking for information -- letters, memoirs, etc -- about Lt. Col. Robert Shankland, V.C., D.C.M. for a possible book on him.

"My publisher is HarperCollins. In 2004, H/C published my *The Battle of the St. Lawrence: The Second World War in Canada*; in 2007, H/C published my *Baptism of Fire: The Second Battle of Ypres and the Forging of Canada*. In 2010, H/C published *The Damned: The Canadians at the Battle of Hong Kong and the POW Experience, 1941-45*; this book was shortlisted for the Governor General's Award for Non-Fiction.

This fall, H/C will be publishing *The Forgotten: Canadian POWs, Escapers and Evaders in Europe, 1939-1945*.

Let me thank you in advance for any help you can give me.

Sincerely,

Dr. Nathan M. Greenfield”

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*** Unit Events ***

Regiment: LCol (Ret'd) Art Sutton has announced that he will be taking a break from helping with the Oatmeal Rag. He is due a very long and loud round of applause for all of his help with editing, publishing, and providing sound and timely advice to the rest of us. Or a free drink when you see him next. Your call. Also, continuing thanks to the Corps of Commissionaires for their continued help with publishing the Rag !

Battalion: The CO has been busy over the summer and so have all of the guys. Read more about what they have been planning in the “A” Company Update. Lot's of changes recently in the staff at 38 Canadian Brigade Group HQ may have an impact on the Regiment as the new Commander gets out and about to meet everyone and find out what's what here.

Also, a very big welcome home to Lt. Josh Fordham from Afghanistan !



43rd Bn CEF on parade at Mons, Belgium 27 Nov 1918

“A” Company Update:

“A” Coy has been busy conducting the usual Section and Platoon training. They will be out on the 18-20 Oct 13 weekend doing section live fire. The HCol's of the WITG will be visiting them in the field that weekend. They will also be conducting combined arms training with the artillery and our section commanders get to practice call for fire on a live gun. Now when was the last time we got to do that in peacetime following budget cuts ?

Pipes & Drums Update:

After we said goodbye to Pipe Major Ferguson in the spring, the P&D sent both he and Lynn off to Barrie Ontario in proper fashion.

This past summer the P&D sent Cpl Brown to Ceremonial Guard for some beasting to remind him why highland regiments are preferable. The P&D completed tasks in August including Folklorama, the Dieppe Reunion, and a performance at the Wellington Retirement home. We had a new piper transfer in from ceremonial guard in September.

Pte Joe "left foot" Dasilva completed a tasking at Rocky Mountain cadet camp as a drum instructor. Cpl Lancaster will be on his combat storesman course in November.

The P&D will compete as a grade 4 competition pipe band in 2014. The Burns Dinner would be a great opportunity to come out and see the band perform the contest sets. Tickets are \$75 and can be purchased from any SNR NCO. Dinner is on the day, Saturday January 25/14. 1900 hrs.

The P&D plan to host it's 3rd annual scotch tasting this upcoming spring. Stay tuned for event info !

Aye

Pipey

*** Regimental Advisory Board Notes ***

The Advisory Board continues to provide sound advice to the CO on all matters Cameron in "interesting times". Speaking of which, the new 38 Brigade Commander paid the combined Cameron Advisory Board and RWpg Rif Senate a visit to chat about recruiting, and retention matters. He's got a bunch of events that should keep the troops both busy and challenged on the agenda and has the green piece of the game in place. He's now passed the R & R challenges to the CO and his Little Helpers to get going. Most interesting to hear was the new ways that we will be allowed to go after recruits. Some of the old ways are authorized again – at last !!!

The Advisory Board members were also well represented at the Association AGM. In fact they constituted almost half of those present !

*** Cameron Cadet Events ***

From Captain Kerry Walker, DCO of The Queens Own Cameron Highlanders of Canada Cadets:

16 Oct 2013 News Flash –All cadets will soon have Field Training Uniforms issued. These were ordered last week and should be arriving soon. Also –this thursday we need to measure footwear as cadets will also be issued with combat boots to wear with the FTU. Excellent news !

Cadets between 14-17 years of age, be aware of the Vimy Pilgrimage Award that you can apply for.

<http://www.canadashistory.ca/Awards/Other-Awards/Vimy-Pilgrimage>

The Vimy Pilgrimage Award recognizes the actions of young people who demonstrate outstanding service, positive contributions, notable deeds, bravery or leadership. Their acts may have served their peers, schools, communities, province or country. Scholastic achievement is not a criterion for this award.

The Vimy Pilgrimage award consists of a fully funded, week-long educational program in

Vimy, France, to study Canada's tremendous First World War effort. This week, which is scheduled for April 05 – 12 of 2014 and organized by The Vimy Foundation, will include classroom education and daily field trips to important First World War sites. A total of 20 students will be selected by their essays for the program this year.

Applicants are required to submit a motivation letter (500-word maximum) outlining the reasons why they are worthy of the award. In choosing award winners, the Award Committee will put great weight on the enthusiasm and excitement displayed in the motivation letter. Applications must also include two letters of support by a teacher, guidance counselor or principal; fellow peers; parents; service club; community, provincial or federal organization; or a member of the community. Applicants must be 14–17 years of age as of April 13, 2014. All applications are due November 11, 2013.

Regimental Reinforcements:



The CO, his son Levi, and HCOI Bob Vandewater

Light Humour from Len DeCosse (SWW Cameron Mortar PL, then Sigs

The E-mail of the species is more deadly than the mail.

A user and his leisure time are soon parted.

Give a man a fish and you feed him for a day, teach him to use the Net and he won't bother you for weeks.



“Chairman” Lau & his Missus had a baby boy in Aug 2013
! Above is another proud moment for “Chairman” Lau.

* Regimental Events *

Incoming Rounds:

Cameron JR's Sports Gear 2013 – The lads have been busy coming up with some new ideas for gear. Here's a sample or two:



The Duffel is 55L; approx price \$50. The Baseball shirt is 100% cotton; approx price \$25. The hoodie will be approx \$45.

Please forward me any other ideas or requests you propose.

Ullamh,

Nic Curry

Rounds Completed:

Cameron Highland Games

DTG: Noon and a bit on 15 June 2013

WO (Ret'd) Bruce Breusted's Place near Klefield MB

Bring your tent but DON'T drink & drive

Contribution: \$10



Another great time this year ! It got off to a slow start because of the 38 CBG Change of Command Ceremony commitments but with Bruce and his family hosting how can you go wrong ?

Congrats to the JR's who did the organizing job from all of us in the Cameron regimental family for such a great event !

**The Belgian Veterans Association Branch 107 Independence day Parade
And 80th Anniversary of Branch 107**

DTG: Fall in 1315, Step Off 1330, Sunday 21 July 2013

Belgian Club / RCL Branch 107 407 PROVENCHER BLVD, WPG

Association Uniform or clean go to church type clothing.

A good turn out by the Association. Angel Fransoo, Gerry's widow is still holding court there.

The **Cameron Pipes & Drums led by P/M J. Dawson played at the Scottish Pavilion on Aug 8, 2013.** It was almost as big a success as the 43rd Bn CEF Cameron attack at Amiens 95 years before. Well, to those of us who were there it was anyhow.

Selkirk Settlers Parade

The DCO and several troops took part in the annual parade. If I ever get a picture I'll try to run it here.

Cameron Association in Canada Annual General Meeting:

02 October 2013 St James Legion Branch #4

The new slate of elected association officers is printed on the first page of this edition. Thanks to all who turned out, and many more thanks to those who give their time as executive members of the association !

*** Links ***

OP-ED BY LIEUTENANT-GENERAL (ret'd) L.W.F. CUPPENS

FEDS WILL BURY CONVICTS BUT NOT VETERANS

<https://m.facebook.com/lastpostfund/posts/530382730370573>

Who will look after the remains of a destitute veteran?

The federal government's veteran's funeral and burial programme addresses well this issue as it pertains to Canada's traditional veterans, but not so for those who have served since the end of the Korean War. Of the 650,000 modern day veterans, Veterans Affairs Canada estimates that each year 400 of these will die in poverty.

The government of Canada has failed to extend the funeral and burial programme to Modern Day Veteran on the same basis as traditional veterans. This means that when a veteran passes away, family and friends are faced with a financial challenge. If too great for the family and friends, such would result in the veteran being placed in a pauper's grave in accordance with the social assistance programmes of the province. Imagine this person, who defended Canada's interests anywhere and without question, is not eligible for a veteran's funeral and must rely on charity at the moment of need.

Did you know that Correctional Service of Canada provides for a funeral and burial and headstone for a convict who dies while in prison or on parole if the financial means to provide for such are not extant at time of death? Convicts are provided for, yet Canada's veterans must rely on the Last Post Fund. Kindly donate to the Last Post Fund to bury a veteran as Canada's government will not. A veteran is not a convict and deserves our gratitude.

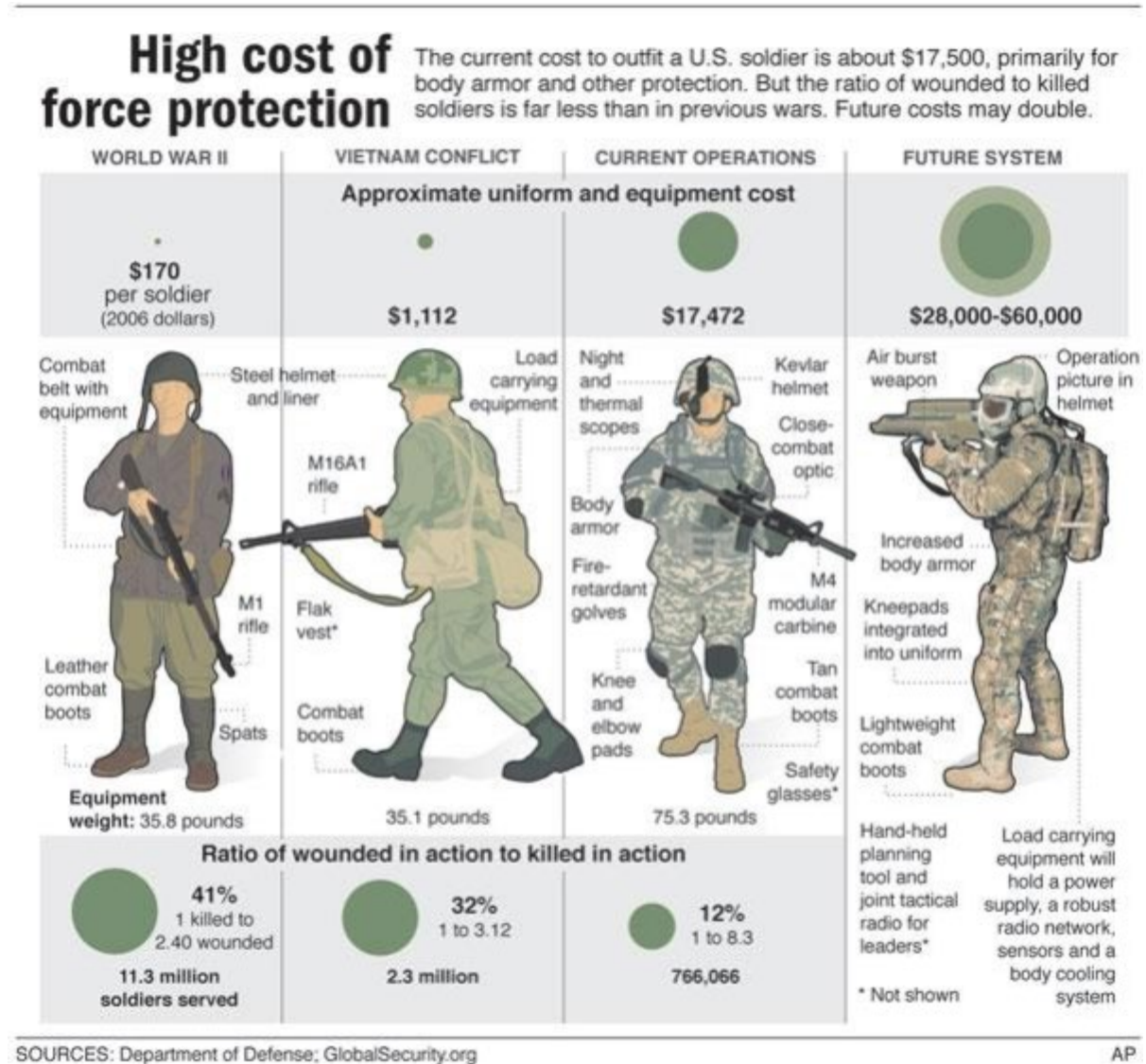
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Canadian Drug Shortages

No, this isn't about the police doing such a fine job, this is about your health care. No major worries just yet guys, I didn't see Viagra or Cialis on the list.

<http://drugshortages.ca/drugshortages.asp>

* Historical Notes *



* More Links *

Armistice Day in Canada

<http://www.museedelaguerre.ca/cwm/exhibitions/guerre/remembrance-day-e.aspx>

Armistice Day was inaugurated in 1919 throughout much of the British Empire, but on the second Monday in November. In 1921, the Canadian Parliament passed an Armistice Day bill to observe ceremonies on the first Monday in the week of 11 November, but this combined the event with the Thanksgiving Day holiday. Find out more through the link above.

Hard-won lessons of Afghan war on 'life support,' outgoing army commander warns

<http://www.ottawacitizen.com/news/Hardwon+lessons+Afghan+life+support+outgoing+army/8658566/story.html>

By Murray Brewster, The Canadian Press July 14, 2013

West End History: Minto Armouries Fire (1956)

<http://westenddumplings.blogspot.ca/2012/01/west-end-history-minto-armouries-fire.html>

* **"It wouldn't be an Oatmeal Rag w/o a Wee Joke" (Russ Miller) ***



Thanks to [Joe Kveton](#) : The RCMP are cracking down on speeders heading into Winnipeg. For the first offense, they give you two Winnipeg Blue Bomber tickets. If you get stopped a second time, they make you use them !!!

Thanks to Ken Smith: An elderly couple had been dating for some time. Finally they decided it was time for marriage. Before the wedding, they went out to dinner and had a long conversation regarding how their marriage might work. They discussed finances, living arrangements and so on.

Finally the old gentleman decided it was time to broach the subject of their physical relationship. "How do you feel about sex?" he asked, rather trustingly.

"Well - she says, responding very carefully - I'd have to say I would like it infrequently."

The old gentleman sat quietly for a moment. Then, looking over his glasses, he looked her in the eye casually asking, "Was that one word or two?"

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