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17 Wing Imaging

Air Canada flight 765, an Airbus from Boston destined for New York City, is parked on the 17 Wing Winnipeg military ramp while, behind it, United Airlines flight 933, a Boeing 777, lands. Both aircraft diverted to Winnipeg on 11 September after the terrorist attacks in New York City earlier in the day. Winnipeg Transit busses sit ready to transport the passengers once they have deplaned.

ATTACK PROMPTS CF SUPPORT

CANADIAN FORCES SUPPORT IN THE AFTERMATH OF TERRORIST ATTACKS IN THE U.S.

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The CF members across Canada have contributed to the massive support effort. In the aftermath of the attacks on September 11, 2001, military facilities in Goose Bay,

Gander, and Stephenville (Nfld.), Winnipeg (Man.), Halifax, Shearwater and Aldershot (NS) have hosted re-routed airline passengers. Units in the Maritimes have provided beds and rations to more than 2, 600 passengers.

Canadian Forces Northern Area (CFNA)'s Personal Accommodation Barracks at the Forward Operation Location (FOL) in Yellowknife housed approximately 160 passengers and assisted a city-led effort with the customs set up, security, baggage, accommodation, and feeding co-ordination.

Three CC-130 Hercules and two CC-150 Polaris aircraft have transported thousands of cots and blankets to shelters in Newfoundland and Nova Scotia. In Gander, beds and rations are being provided for 103 re-routed passengers and crew at CF facilities there. Six Canadian Rangers are also supporting 9 Wing (CF base) operations there. In Halifax, 978

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Message from the Chaplain, Padre D.F. Ohs

On the morning of 11 September, in the Year of Our Lord 2001, thousands upon thousands of men and women went to work to earn their living. They came by car, bus, subway and taxi. It was a typical workday and nothing out of the ordinary. Some had deadlines to meet, phones to answer, meetings to attend. Some had shops to open, meals to pre-

pare, while infants and small children were dropped off at day-care centres. No doubt, some were burdened with the cares of the world, while others came light-hearted and happy. Some were just beginning their careers, while others were counting the days to retirement. Some stepped onto a passenger jet liner, believing they were safe, while others opened the doors of the Pentagon, an employee or member of one of the greatest and mightiest armed forces in the world. In their wildest

dreams and deadliest nightmares they had no thought that they had entered "the Valley of the Shadow of Death".

As I watched the magnitude of this American and world tragedy unfold on television that night, one scene stood out and spoke to me. As the dust settled on the streets outside the World Trade Center, paper lay everywhere—paper that, last month and last week and on Monday morning, was considered so important, even vital. Paper that men and women had toiled over and gave their time and talents to produce. And now it lay on the streets and sidewalks of Manhattan, its importance gone and utterly lost.

How short and uncertain human life can be! What a fine balance between life and death we live!

The paper on the streets of Manhattan tells us that the most important things in life are not to be found in the tangible, but in the intangible. In that which makes us truly human. The love of spouse and children and family and the love of our own lives, all of which is God's precious

gift to us.

Even so, we live in a dangerous world of fast cars, drunken drivers, home invasions and deadly terrorism. We live in a world of guided missiles and misguided men.

On Tuesday the world was in shock, but it will recover. Life will go on and the ruins of evil will be swept away. But life on this planet will never be quite the same. Nor will coming to work be quite so routine.

We cannot bring back the dead. Only Jesus could do that. But we pray for the dead today. We pray for their families. We pray for the people of the United in this terrible hour. And we pray for peace on this earth and peace in our hearts, knowing that the Lord is our Shepherd and that, although we each walk daily in the Valley of the Shadow of Death, God is with us.

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17 Wing Fire Fighters 4th annual Boot Drive



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Dottie, the 17 Wing Fire Services Duty Dalmation, and Wing Fire Chief MWO Doug Goodings (right) monitor the collection of donations at the Air Force Way gate to 17 Wing on 7 September. This is the fourth time that 17 Wing Fire Services personnel have raised money with their Annual Boot Drive for Muscular Dystrophy. \$1,953.00 were raised during this year's two-hour collection period.

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bed spaces are being provided at facilities at the naval base there. At the army facilities, 791 persons are being accommodated in camp facilities there.

Three hundred thirty one re-routed passengers are being housed at HMCS Cabot, the Naval Reserve unit in St. John's, and at Canadian Forces Station (CFS) St. John's. In Stephenville, Nfld, a platoon of 31 soldiers from the 2nd Battalion of the Royal Newfoundland Regiment is providing support to authorities there.

The CF members are supporting other government departments, such as Transport Canada, as well as civilian agencies. CF aircraft have transported Canada Customs and Revenue Officials to several destinations.

A number of additional CF-18 fighter jets have been dedicated to continental security through our bilateral partnership in the North American Aerospace Defense Command (NORAD).

As part of its contingency operations, the CF has put approximately 140 military personnel from the Disaster Assistance Response Team (DART) on stand-by. These members from Canadian Forces Bases (CFB) Petawawa and Kingston have now been pre-positioned at CFB Trenton. They will remain at this location until a decision

Soldiers set up in Skopje

By Gloria Kelly, D-News

Canadian soldiers deployed into Macedonia as part of NATO's Operation Essential Harvest have undertaken a role essential to the overall success of the mission. Within hours of deploying to the area, Canadian troops were established on the ground and ready to deploy.

"Our reconnaissance and surveillance role here on the ground provides critical support to the weapons-collection teams," said Sergeant Ingo Herbst, with 3 RCR, Royal Canadian Dragoons, based at Petawawa. "Our Coyotes will allow us to be strong forward observers, and the knowledge gathered will be critical to anyone moving into an area."

The mood of the troops deploying into Macedonia is upbeat, said Sgt Herbst. The mission provides a new challenge, an opportunity to support an important initiative, and to help increase the safety and security level for people in the local communities.

Corporal Shannon O'Neill, with 3 RCR, expects to be in the thick of the Canadian work as a driver, with experience in both the Coyote reconnaissance vehicle and the Bison armoured personnel carrier. "Our people are excited about being here. This is a change of pace for us—a more active country—and it's an opportunity to make a real difference to people who live here. "With the Coyotes we will be able to provide a

lot of valuable information. They are a great tool to work with," he said.

Master Corporal Murray Doucette headed for Macedonia with the CF Joint Operations Group from Kingston. The team had four days' notice before they deployed.

Part of the team's role is communications support among the base at Camp Able Sentry, the teams in the field and the command back home in Canada. "We had the full communications package set up within 24 hours. It would have been faster, but we had to wait for a bit of equipment to arrive," said MCpl Doucette.

"Strong communications support is essential in a setting such as this, where there are always unknowns that may need to be dealt with."

Was his family concerned about deploying on such short notice to take part in Operation Essential Harvest? "My wife said [to] tell the boss my bag was packed," he said. "She understands that we need to go when we are needed, and that sometimes means we don't have much notice."

This deployment into Macedonia has delayed the return to Canada for approximately 120 soldiers who have been in Bosnia. Cpl O'Neill's family in Sackville, N.B., knows the deployment into Macedonia is important and accepts the fact he will be late coming home. "They just want us to come home safe," said Cpl O'Neill. "It will be good to see them again."

Among the support personnel with the Canadian contingent is a six-member medical team. MCpl Kevin Tipzul said their role is to support the troops in an area where it is possible there may be heightened risks.

"You prepare for what might be, and hope everything goes along smoothly," he said. "We have been in Bosnia for five months now, but this is a new experience and you always have to be well prepared."

Canadian soldiers taking part in Operation Essential Harvest are expected to be in Macedonia through September, returning home to Canada in early October.

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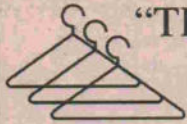
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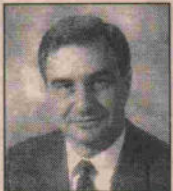
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By Sgt St-Laurent

Maintaining operational capability as a Search and Rescue Technician can sometimes prove to be a daunting task. Some of you readers may scoff my statement, reminiscing on the yearly dive trips down South that have been the norm for winter diving proficiency. This year's divex (July 30-Aug 3, 2001) was designed to reinforce the concept that SAR Tech have to be capable in all parts of Canada's search and rescue region, and to that end, Churchill, Manitoba was chosen as the locale for the SARTech Divex. Churchill's coastline touches the cold waters of the Hudson Bay. These waters support many forms of wildlife, including the Polar Bear.

The Divex consisted of two rotations, each rotation three days in duration. This design was to allow all SARTechs to participate while maintaining the SAR posture at home. A local citizen of Churchill

would meet the dive team and take us to the various diving locations. The seabed is quite devoid of ocean fauna because of the extensive scarring caused by the icebergs scraping the sea floor making us initially feel that there would not be much to see during our subsequent dives. We were wrong. Although no Polar Bears were encountered, the SARTechs had the unique opportunity of diving with Beluga whales. These lovely mammals are friendly, gentle, graceful and serene in the arctic waters. Their presence made this dive trip most memorable.

Another noteworthy event of the Divex occurred when weather conditions deteriorated and we had to take refuge at the old Hudson Bay establishment, a fort erected to enforce and maintain the company's position in the north years ago. Dressed in our dry suits, diving mask included, the rain was beating down so hard on our faces it was difficult to see, not to mention the lighting and the 6 feet waves. We

scanned the shore to finally find an appropriated place to beach the boat not far from Fort Prince of Wales. This fort is one of the many interesting landmarks of Churchill and made us grateful to the inclement weather for the enforced detour. The walls are constructed of stone making the structure very cold and probably unbearable during the long winter months. Churchill is north of the treeline so winter heating was probably nonexistent or of the animal oil derivation. Very cold (like our daily dips in the water!)

I would like to take this opportunity to thank 435 operations for the airlift support that allowed us to maintain our diving currencies, broaden our diving experience, and sea a little bit more of this wonderful country.

Career & Education Showcase

13 October 2001 @ 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

On October 13, 2001, the Military Family Resource Centre and 17 Wing Winnipeg will be hosting the inaugural Career & Education Showcase.

Through the support of the 17 Wing Commander and the MFRC Executive Director, a venue has been established for members of the Winnipeg-based Defence community (civilian and military) to address their employment and life-long learning concerns. Military members in career transition and military family members, as well as their civilian counterparts, are encouraged to attend this exciting event.

A number of highly reputable employers and educational institutions will be on hand to share the opportunities they are offering to the Defence Team community.

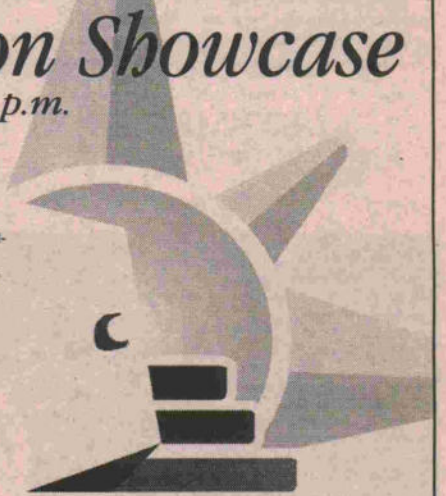
Questions that could be answered at the Career & Education Showcase:

- What skills are employers looking for in today's economy?
- How do I transfer my courses from one university to another?
- How do I start my own business?
- What self-improvement opportunities are offered?
- Where can I find no or low-cost training opportunities?
- What employment opportunities are available in Brandon?
- How do I find out the job market trends in Winnipeg?
- How can I get my military experience and training recognized?

These and many more questions can be answered on October 13, 2001, from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at Lipsett Hall (Kenaston Blvd and Grant Ave)

Drop-off Childcare will be provided (please call 489-7003 for information)

For further information on this event, please contact: Major André Thivierge, Wing Personnel Selection Officer, at 833-2500 extension 5247, or Mr. John Chabih at 489-7003 or 833-2500 extension 2494.



The Future Begins Today



Mark Remoquillo/Voxair

Journalist joins Voxair

Karen Poetker

Hello to all readers of the Voxair! My name is Karen Poetker, and I have recently joined the staff of the Voxair as a student journalist.

In the hopes of attending journalism school next year, I am creating a portfolio of my writings by working at the Voxair as well as the University of Manitoba student newspaper.

The Voxair felt that it was missing coverage of events important to members of 17 Wing and their families. In my position, I will be covering important and interesting events, by writing arti-

cles and taking pictures.

I gladly welcome any suggestions or article ideas that anyone may have and ask that you contact me at the Voxair, (889-3963) where I will be on Mondays and Wednesdays, in addition to my coverage of events occurring on other days.

Being entirely new to the military, I welcome any advice or help you can offer. I am happy to be here, and hope both the readers and the Voxair will benefit from my being here.

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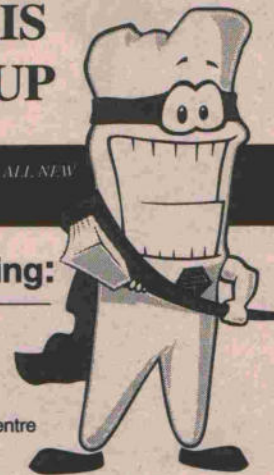


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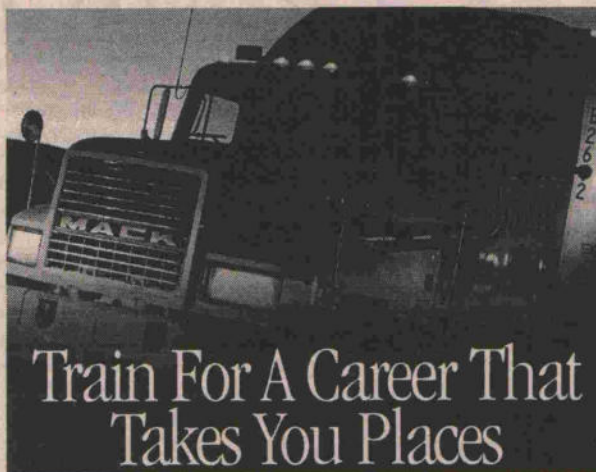
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(second from left) Padre Doug Ohs, Wing Chaplain (third from right) Chaplain Lenora, OIC VBS (second from right) Padre Guy Chapdelaine

17 Wing Imaging

vacation bible school wraps up

By Chaplain Lenora Grauer

The 17 Wing Community Chapels sponsored a successful Vacation Bible School at the North-Site Chapel 13 - 17 August 2001, with 45 children taking part in the activities.

There was a lot to learn, see and do and the theme "Jesus To The Rescue" excited children and adults alike. Music, skits, crafts, puppets and stories were all brought into play to help the children to understand the teachings of the Bible. Participants of all ages enjoyed a wonderful week, testing their skills and making new friendships or renewing old. To add to the excitement, lifeguards, SAR Techs, MPs and fire fighters (with "Dottie" the dog), people trained for everyday-life rescue situations, took turns visiting in the mornings, to talk with the children and educate them about safety and rescue. Perhaps the highlight for the kids was the visit by "Dottie", standing in for programme mascot "ER" and upstaging her human helpers.

The week climaxed with a special church service and barbecue

for participants and their families Friday afternoon. The children shook the rafters with their enthusiastic choruses of "Allelu!" and even the adults (in keeping with Wing standards of fitness) had to limber up their knees to "Rise and shine"! A special cake decorated with a rescue vehicle and "ER" capped off the celebrations. As always, a dedicated corps of volunteers made it all possible. They donated their time and talents as teachers, assistants, musicians, actors, food-handlers—and in possibly a dozen other capacities, equally important to the overall success. These wonderful people were the ideal exemplars for the theme; they literally came "to the rescue" when needed. What an inspiration and a blessing! The young beneficiaries of the programme summed it up best: "Allelu!"

THE CLOSING OF THE CHAPEL OF SAINT ANDREW AND SAINT GEORGE 17 WING (WINNIPEG) SOUTH SITE

By Padre Guy Chapdelaine

Sunday, 26 August 2001, an ecumenical service was held at the 17 Wing South-Site chapel to celebrate the life and witness of this Christian community as the building was decommissioned as a place of worship and declared secular. Following decommissioning military chapels are traditionally razed. Approximately 200 parishioners and guests gathered to bid farewell to a "good and faithful servant" and to give thanks for 54 years of sharing and fellowship through times joyous and sorrowful. Since 1996, when Saint Andrew's (Protestant) Chapel was closed, the building has housed both Roman Catholic and Protestant congregations.

Among those present were Honorary Colonel Ben Van Ruiten and his wife, Arlene, Lieutenant Colonel Shirley Neville, Wing Administration Officer, Lieutenant Commander C. Michon, Commanding Officer HMCS CHIPPAWA, and Chief Warrant Officer F. Emond, Wing Chief Warrant Officer, as well as a large representation of clergy, most of them former military chaplains. Padre Doug Ohs presided at this service of solemn thanksgiving, assisted by Chaplain Lenora Grauer and Padre Guy Chapdelaine. Lieutenant Colonel Neville proclaimed the final reading of the Word, from Ephesians 4:1-6, enjoining those

present to, "Spare no effort to make fast with bonds of peace the unity which the Spirit gives." Padre John Wilcox, 1 Canadian Air Division Chaplain, delivered a beautiful address, emphasizing the continuing nature of the life of a chapel. Because it figures in so many of the milestones through our lives, a chapel, unlike other structures, lives on as a piece of all who have taken part in services there. The properties of both communities: the records, cross, candles, missal, font, chalice and paten, and the Bible, were presented to the three Wing chaplains, then Father Ohs pronounced the building "secular and decommissioned."

The ecumenical service was preceded by a special thanksgiving Eucharist of the Roman Catholic community, led by Father Guy Chapdelaine. More than 200 parishioners attended this service.

Following the ecumenical service all congregants joined for a pot-luck lunch and barbecue. Pictures posted about the Annex recalled the many years of chapel life. Images of friends and special events, and, always, the ministries—all that nourished and sustained-called forth many a smile or tear.

In parting, members of both chapels were succoured by the words of the closing prayer: "Turn our sorrow over the closing of this Chapel into joy over new opportunities for life and ministry within our congregations." Amen.

"Spare no effort to make fast with bonds of peace the unity which the Spirit gives." -Ephesians 4:1-6

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FERMETURE DE LA CHAPELLE SAINT-ANDREW ET SAINT- GEORGE 17^e ESCADRE (WINNIPEG) SITE SUD

By Padre Guy Chapdelaine

Le dimanche 26 août 2001, un service oecuménique avait lieu à la chapelle sud de la 17^e Escadre en action de grâce à l'occasion de la fermeture de ce bâtiment comme lieu de rassemblement de la communauté chrétienne. Traditionnellement, les anciennes chapelles militaires sont détruites après leur fermeture comme lieu de culte. Environ 200 personnes se sont rassemblés une dernière fois pour faire leurs adieux à ce "bon et fidèle serviteur". Avec une certaine nostalgie, nous avons fait mémoire des moments tristes et joyeux célébrés en cette chapelle pendant les 54 années où elle a servi comme lieu de culte. Depuis 1996, lorsque la chapelle St-Andrew (chapelle protestante) a fermé ses portes, le bâtiment actuel servait de lieu de rassemblement aux communautés catholique et protestante.

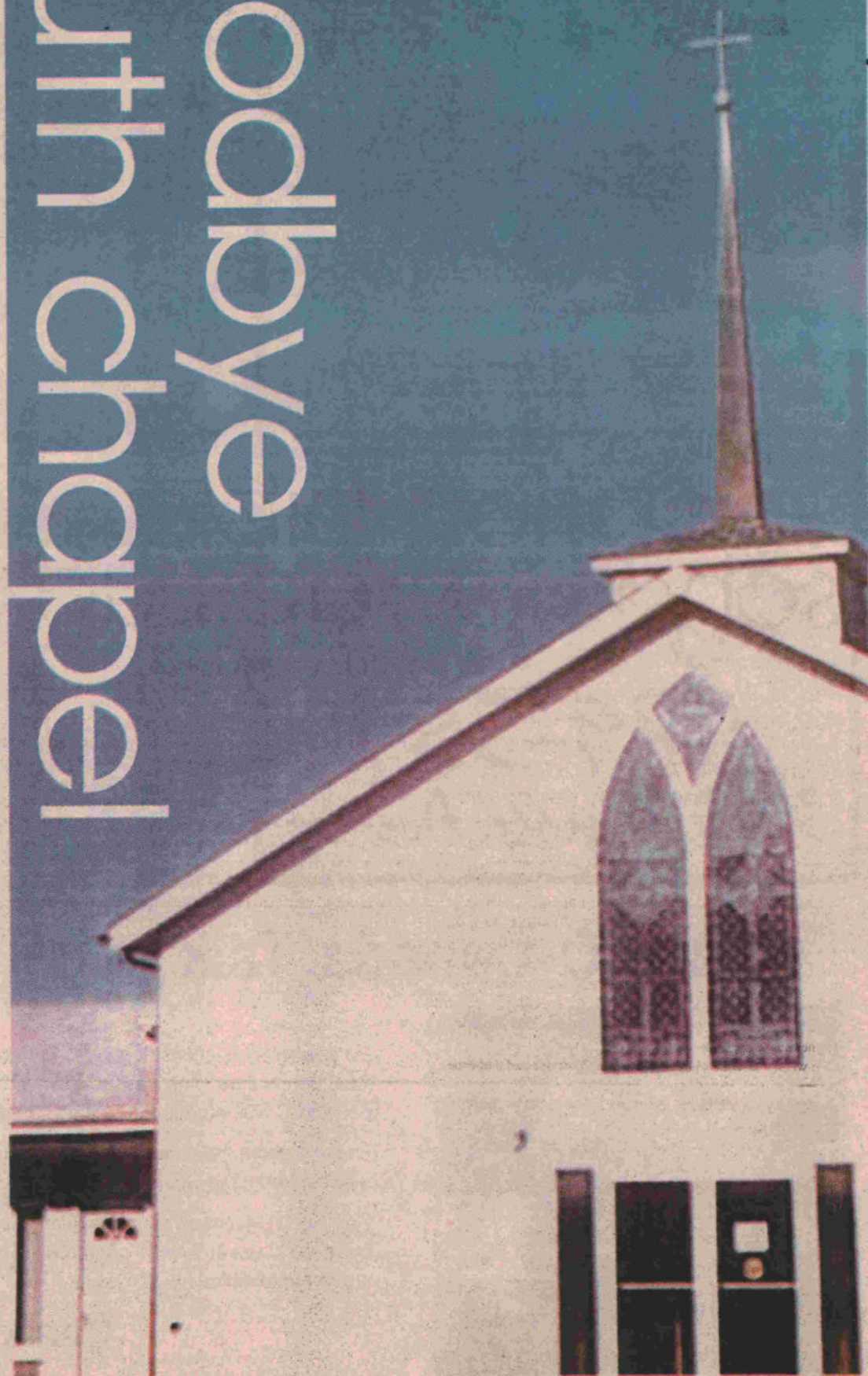
Parmi les invités de marque, il y avait le colonel honoraire Ben Van Ruiten et son épouse, Arlene, le lieutenant-colonel Shirley Neville, Officier d'administration de l'Escadre, le capitaine de corvette C. Michon, commandant du NCSM CHIPPAWA, et l'adjutant chef F. Emond, adjudant-chef de l'Escadre, et une bonne représentation du clergé, la plupart étant d'anciens aumôniers militaires. Le Padre Doug Ohs a présidé ce service solennel d'action de grâce, assisté des Padres Lenora Grauer et Guy Chapdelaine. Le lieutenant-colonel Neville a proclamé un extrait de la lettre de Paul aux Ephésiens encourageant tous ceux qui étaient présents "à conserver l'unité de l'Esprit par ce lien qu'est la paix." Le Padre John Wilcox, l'aumônier de la 1^{re} Division aérienne du Canada, a magnifiquement prêché, mettant l'accent sur la continuité de la vie de chapelle. Parce qu'elle est le lieu où nous avons célébré les moments importants de la vie, une chapelle, comme aucun autre bâtiment, laisse une marque ineffable dans notre existence. Des objets symboliques des deux communautés chrétiennes ont été présentés aux trois aumôniers de l'Escadre, le Révérend Ohs a déclaré officiellement la fermeture de la chapelle comme lieu de culte.

La célébration oecuménique a été précédé par une eucharistie d'action de grâce célébrée par l'abbé Guy Chapdelaine en présence d'environ 200 paroissiennes et paroissiens.

Suivant la célébration eucharistique et le service oecuménique, tous les participants ont été invités à participer à un barbecue. Plusieurs photographies étaient présentées dans la salle communautaire adjacente à la chapelle remémorant des événements de la vie de chapelle. Images d'amis ou d'événements spéciaux et toujours cette constante: le ministère pastorale qui a nourri des générations de militaires. Tous ces souvenirs inspiraient pour les uns, un sourire et pour les autres, une larme à l'oeil.

En quittant la chapelle, les participants portaient en eux ces mots de la prière de fermeture: "Change la tristesse engendrée par la fermeture de la chapelle en joie, en raison des nouvelles opportunités de vie et d'action pastorale qu'elle génère dans nos communautés chrétiennes." Amen.

goodbye south chapel



WALKING THROUGH THE PENSION PROCESS

Problems and challenges come up everyday in our lives. At Veterans Affairs Canada (VAC) we think that filling out your pension application shouldn't be one of them. This column walks you through the VAC pension process and will hopefully give you a better understanding of how to apply for a VAC disability pension and what happens when you do.

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European Commission

the advent of the euro

By Alf Brooks

If you have travelled to Europe you likely will have, as I have done at the end of past trips, saved a few coins of the countries you have visited, to use them for the next time. If you have coins and banknotes from the countries that have adopted the Euro as their new currency as of January 1, 2002, and do not want to save them as souvenirs, perhaps you should plan a trip to Europe in the next few months.

Twelve countries - Belgium, Germany, Greece, Spain, France, Ireland, Italy, Luxembourg, The Netherlands, Austria, Portugal and Finland - will begin using the Euro on January 1, 2002; beginning on March 1 only the Euro will be accepted currency. One reported side effect of the conversion is a rise in real estate prices, as those who distrust banks and have large amounts of cash are buying land instead of burying their currency.

The currency symbol is an "E" with two horizontal lines through it. It is inspired by the Greek epsilon, referring to the cradle of European civilization, and, of course, is the first letter of

Europe. The lines represent the stability of the Euro. There will be eight coins, each with a common face; the obverse will carry national symbols of the various countries. The one euro coin of France is illustrated. Seven banknotes from five to five hundred euros will carry common symbolic designs, with windows and gateways on the face and bridges on the reverse.

Each of the twelve countries has been involved in a program of education. France, for example, issued its first postage stamp marked in both francs and euros in 1999; the stamp illustrated here was issued this past June as part of the continuing program. There also have been many other forms of publicity through various media as Europe takes another step in eliminating boundaries. A cartoon is only one example.

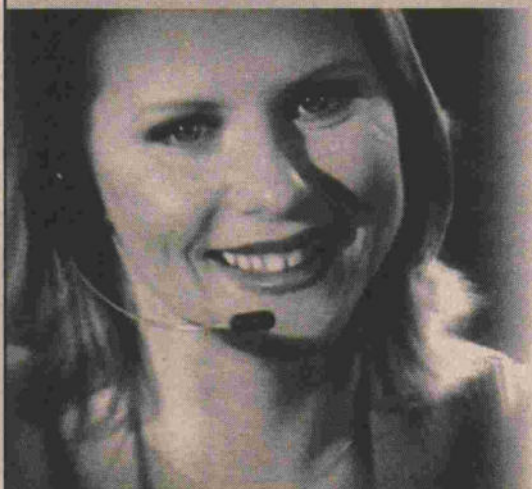
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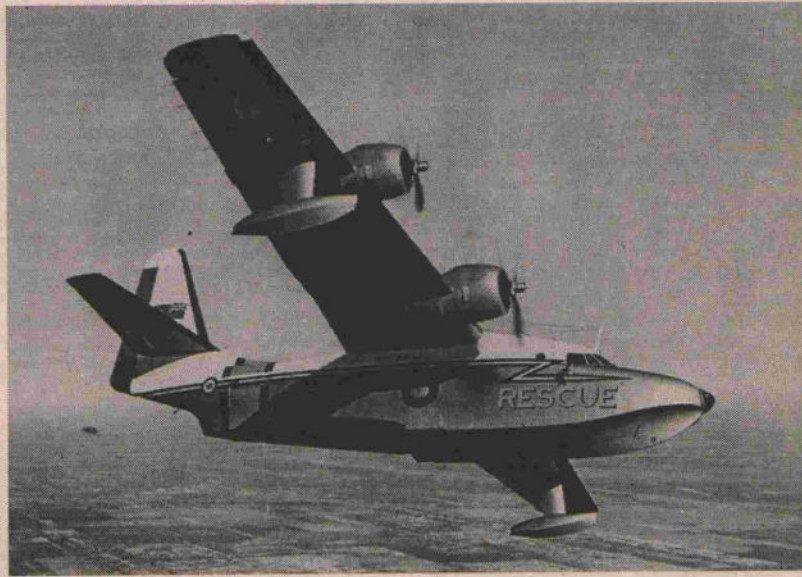
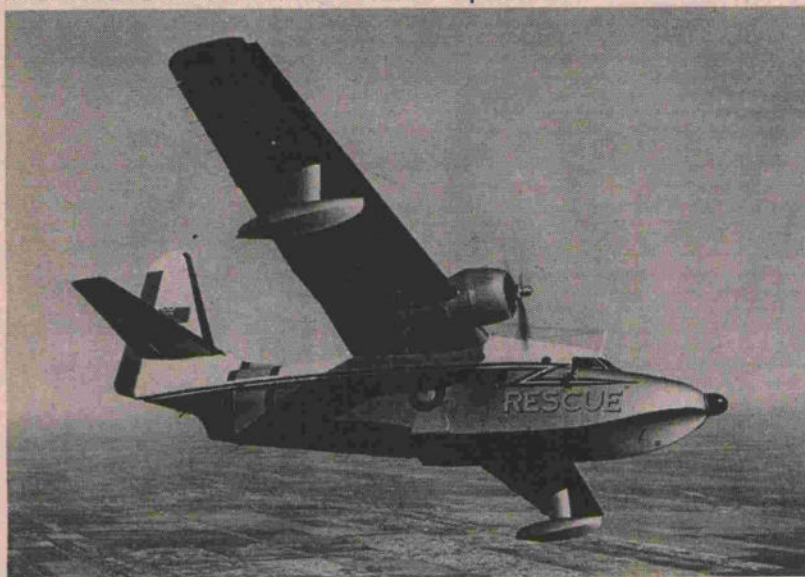
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ARIES (March 21 - April 19): It may seem you are ineffectual, unable to create change or bring about improvements. You may feel exasperated, more with yourself than others and getting into the spirit of things is too difficult because you are tired. Take a break; give yourself permission to rest.

TAURUS (April 20 - May 20): You're not being given the full picture even though you are responsible for the completion of integral tasks. Relying on small amusements or dramas won't resolve anything. Involve yourself in personal interests that give a sense of meaning to your life.

GEMINI (May 21 - June 21): A move is inevitable, be part of the planning so your own priorities or interests are not overlooked in the process. Surprises or dissatisfaction can be avoided through better communication. Don't let family decisions or choices be made without you.

CANCER (June 22 - July 22): Reconnect with a mentor. Time to write your own agenda and deter-

mine what individual goals, not related to loved ones' expectations or plans, should be given attention. Focusing only on making others happy isn't optimum, for some are never satisfied.

LEO (July 23 - August 22): For singles, a dream love is near, but may be hard to recognize if you've not extinguished feelings for an old flame. Unconventional is the key word, and if you're attached accept and appreciate that your partner is special because of that very thing. This can ensure life is never dull.

VIRGO (August 23 - September 22): In your enthusiasm for a new love don't forget old friends and family. Make notes to ensure you deal with anything critical as things slip your mind just now. Use understanding when others become overwhelmed. Complete yard work to create a peaceful haven.

LIBRA (September 23 - October 23): Gossips may be having a heyday with your good name; even good deeds can be misinterpreted by petty people. Your inner worth as a person can't be fully seen or mea-

sured by them, only you. Move on, confident in your own sincerity. Returning to the past isn't possible.

SCORPIO (October 24 - November 21): Don't push yourself so hard, to be that dependable, available person. Give yourself a chance to recover fully from an illness or injury. Opportunities are not missed, as events are postponed. Insisting on going out you'll be too tired to give the impression you hoped to.

SAGITARIUS (November 22 - December 21): Searching for purpose seems like singular work, however you'll find you are meant to be involved with others. A decision you were dreading is not required. Obstacles, which seemed to have become the norm, all disappear.

CAPRICORN (December 22 - January 19): The consequences are beginning to materialize for choices or actions that were well intended but not well thought through. A sense of duty may have affected your decisions. The resulting unsettled situations hurt everyone. Regretfully you can't turn back the clock.

AQUARIUS (January 20 - February 18): Leadership may look better from a distance. Consider the cost before throwing your hat in the ring. Responsibility and loneliness are high at the top. Take care to ensure you are clear on whether you are assuming a role for the right reasons.

PISCES (February 19 - March 20): The time has come for action; step out of your dream world. Drop excuses, do what's right for you. You're no longer willing to make allowances for those who avoid responsibility, even you. Organize your place, your life, your affairs. Change your patterns to fit you better.

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SPORTS

canadian forces national triathlon

By MCpl Ray McCoy

At last, an opportunity to race on the Gilles Villeneuve Speedway!

Never mind the fact it wouldn't be in a Formula-1 racecar; the objective would still be to keep up to speed with opponents. Besides, a visit to Montreal would provide an opportunity to visit mom and load up on some of her legendary shortbread cookies!

On August 25th, The Canadian Forces National Triathlon was held in conjunction with Le Triathlon De Montreal; an Olympic distance event consisting of a 1.5Km swim, 40Km bike, followed by a 10Km run. A total of 30 Military members from across Canada were on hand to comprise a field of approximately 500 competitors. Attendance at the CF Nationals, combined with finish time, forms the basis of which members are chosen each year for the Canadian Forces Triathlon Team. This offers an opportunity for travel and competition in unique locations

leading up to the CISM Military World Championships.

The swim took place in the rowing basin used in the 1976 Olympics.

The limited width of the basin, combined with the large number of athletes, made it necessary to start in distinct groups referred to as waves. The Elite and Military athletes formed the first wave, starting at 0730hrs; due to warm water temperatures, wetsuits were not permitted, generally resulting in slower swim times.

Rules in effect for our wave only permitted a rare opportunity for opponents to draft off one another once on the bicycle. Not only did this make for exceptional speed, it also helped conserve valuable energy for use on the run.

Drafting is a relatively new (and controversial) concept to Triathlon. In most events it is prohibited for a variety of reasons, including increased likelihood of collision between riders. This was nearly witnessed first hand when a rider, only inches away, clipped his pedal on the ground while negotiating a sharp turn and nearly crashed.

Fortunate for those of us along side and in close pursuit, he regained his balance and continued without further incident.

Transition to the run portion of the event is the final test of an athlete's foresight to conserve enough energy for a strong finish. In this instance, because of the close proximity to one another following the bicycle portion, it was necessary to work extra-hard to gain territory or at least maintain overall position. As in all races though, one must deal with the uncontrollable variables of the day. Mine would be a sore beginning to develop on one of my feet. Mind over matter... I managed to gain some distance on the nearest competitors, crossing the finish line at 2:12:09. Good enough for third place in the old-guys category (35 plus)!

This was indeed one of the more memorable events I've had the privilege to compete in. Triathlon is a family-friendly sport where athletes of various abilities participate with different goals. Many events are held around Manitoba each summer; planning for next season can begin by contacting the folks at 17 Wing Fitness and Sports or Triathlon Manitoba. Come on out and join the increasing numbers! Last year saw some new faces from 17 Wing and it appears they'll be back for more.

Happy training!



MCpl Ray McCoy was fueled to a 2:12:09 finish by mom's shortbread cookies.

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annual newcomer event

The Outreach program held their annual newcomer event on Saturday 8th September 2001. This year's event was a "Meet, Greet, Walk and Talk" activity where close to 100 newcomers gathered for a day together. We met at the Officer's Mess for breakfast, which was sponsored by Gerry's Pastry and Bakery Shop (Whytefold), The Great Canadian Bagel (Pembina), and Tall Prairie Bread (Westminster). Winnipeg Tourism presented and information session and then we were off to the Forks via buses from 17 Wing Transport C-1 section where we enjoyed a walking tour from the National historical/Parks Canada and a site-seeing boat tour from Splash Dash Tours. Lunch was sponsored by Subway, donuts from Tim Horton's (Maryland), and water from Crystal clear (whytefold). Everyone returned to hot coffee, (Thanks to 17 Wing Foods) at the Mess where many wonderful prizes were given out.

Thanks to the following merchants and friends who donated towards the event:

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We offer large toys, infant and toddler toys and even some CD ROM games. The cost is \$10.00 per year.

Tuesday 6:30 to 8:00 p.m.
Fridays 10:00a.m. to 1:00p.m.

seventh annual women's conference

Friday, October 26 and Saturday, October 27, 2001
Centro Caboto Centre
1055 Wilkes Avenue

The aim of this conference is to offer different experiences and to provide opportunities to explore new ideas. Enjoy the weekend in a relaxing and fun environment.

Friday, October 26
7:00 - 10:00 p.m.

Wine & Cheese
Flamenco/Spanish Dance Demo
Fashion Show

Saturday, October 27
8:30 a.m.
9:30 a.m.

Continental Breakfast
Keynote speaker
Shirley Render, pilot, author of
"NoPlace for a Lady"

Session 1: Three workshops to choose from.
10:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Flamenco/Spanish Dance
Workshop
Qui Gong
Body Image and Weight
Preoccupation

12:00 p.m. - 1:30 p.m.

Hot Buffet Lunch

Session 2: Four workshops to choose from.
1:30 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Colour Washing Techniques for
Walls
Aromatherapy for Women
Bilingual Workshop: Susan
Kennely (CBC)
Craft: Macrame Friendship
Bracelet

Session 3: Four workshops to choose from:
3:15 p.m. - 4:45 p.m.

Feng Shui
Yoga
Bilingual Cooking Demonstration
Craft: "Welcome Friends" wall
plaque

Cost: \$40

Registration must be in person or via mail by October 19, 2001 to MFRC, 350 Doncaster Street, Winnipeg, Manitoba R3N 1W8. Registrations will only be accepted with payment.

* Refunds will not be processed after October 19, 2001. The MFRC reserves the right to substitute any presenters if necessary. Due to the Caboto Centre's non-smoking policy, the smoking area provided is outside on the patio, south of the Galleria. Please remember that perfumes and fragrances may create a sensitivity for some people.

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT THE MFRC 489-7003

mother goose

This program is a group experience for parents and their babies and young children. It focuses on the pleasure and power of using rhymes, songs and stories together. Come out and have some fun with your children. For information call Wendy or Shannon at 833-2500 ext. 6846. Please register at the main office at 350 Doncaster by September 19th. The program will start on September 26th.

Location: Lipsett Hall Nursery School
Time: 1:15p.m. to 3:00p.m. on Wednesdays

The cost is \$25.00 per family for a 10 week session.

Check out what the MFRC Youth Centre has to offer you....

afterschool club

Every weekday after school. There is a drop-in fee of .50 or you can buy a membership for \$25.00. Afterschool club starts 10 September 2001.

teen zone

Tuesday to Friday nights 6:30 to 9:30. The Youth Centre is open for Teens to drop in and meet friends old & new. A drop in fee of 50¢ or you may purchase a membership for \$25.00.

mfrc youth council

The Youth Council meets the third Monday of each month to discuss policy, program and have some fun. If you are interested in becoming part of this group, join us at our next meeting on 21 October 2001 at 7:00pm at the youth centre.

national family week

Most families, large or small, do things for other families without attaching labels to it. When you invite your child's classmate over to play so their parent can run some errands or visit the doctor, that is a family volunteering together. When your friend offers to drive your child to soccer practice with her own kids, that is a family volunteering together. When you and your kids bake cookies and make a card for the neighbour's child who is home with a broken leg, that is a family volunteering together. Volunteering together is such a positive way to be together as a family. Celebrate National Family Week®, October 1 through 7, 2001.

In celebration of the International Year of the Volunteer 2001 and National Family Week, the MFRC would like to invite your family to a special evening in honour of the Volunteer Families who contribute so much to the 17 Wing Military Community. Join us at the MFRC for refreshments and socialization, as well as crafts and games for the children.

Please RSVP to Nicole by 1 Oct 2001
WE HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!

volunteering is a family affair

Volunteer Family Appreciation
3 October 2001
6:30 PM
The Military Family Resource Centre
350 Doncaster Street

In celebration of the International Year of the Volunteer 2001 and National Family Week (1 Oct - 7 Oct 2001), the MFRC would like to invite your family to a special evening in honor of the Volunteer Families who contribute so much to the 17 Wing Military Community. Join us at the MFRC for refreshments and socialization, as well as crafts and games for the children. Please RSVP to Nicole by 1 Oct 2001
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WHAT'S HAPPENING

17 WING RECREATIONAL LIBRARY

FALL HOURS (start 27AUG01)

Sunday 12 - 3pm
 Monday 4 - 9pm
 Tuesday 9 - 12pm
 4 - 9pm
 Wednesday 4 - 9pm
 Thursday 4 - 9pm

Westwin Community Centre (Building 33)
 Whytefold Road by Building 90
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COMMUNITY RECREATION

YOUTH DROP-IN

A youth drop-in program is available to ages 9-15 at Lipsett Hall on Saturdays from 3-6 pm. A schedule of games including soccer, volleyball, basketball, ultimate, floor hockey plus special guests will be available. The program cost is free for recreation members, bring a friend for \$2.00.

UPCOMING

WMCC Craft Fair
 November 17 at Lipsett Hall 9am-3pm
 Admission is \$1.00. Children and Students ages 17 and younger are free.

CERAMICS KIDS REGISTRATION

Ceramics Kids Class
 October 20 and December 15 from 10am-1pm. Ages 11+, space is limited. To register call Michelle Wohlgemuth at 2090

Registration Fair
 Thank you to all the volunteers that helped to make the registration fair a success. Congratulations to the winners of the draw prizes!

CASUAL SWIM HOURS

Bldg. 90
 Monday 6-8 pm
 Wednesday 7-9 pm
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 Saturday/Sunday 1-4 pm

Lipsett Hall
 Tuesday/Thursday 6:30-8:30 pm
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 Sat 1630 hrs North Chapel
 Sun 1130 hrs North Chapel

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION
 Religious Education classes are available to all students from Preschool to Grade 6. Please call the office for information on registration.

CONFESSIONS
 The sacrament of reconciliation is offered by appointment. Contact the chaplain's office.

BAPTISMS
 We recommend that you contact the chaplain's office for an appointment prior to the birth of your child.

WEDDINGS-MARRIAGES
 Contact the chaplain at least six months in advance. A Marriage Preparation Course is a requirement.

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE
 Meets the second Tue of the month at 1900 hrs, alternating between the North and South Chapel Annexes.

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SUNDAY SERVICES
 0930 hrs North Chapel
 ACC Eucharist is sometimes offered at 1015 hrs at the North Chapel. Check the weekly bulletin for dates.

SUNDAY SCHOOL
 Sunday School is held during the service for children ages 3 to 12, except on the last Sunday of each month. Childcare is provided on an as-required basis for children under 3 years of age.

MARRIAGES
 Six months' notice is required for marriages, as counselling is necessary to prepare couples for Christian marriage. A Marriage Preparation Course is also required.

BAPTISMS
 The Sacrament of Holy Baptism is available by contacting a chaplain. Time is required to give sufficient instruction about the meaning of baptism.

PROTESTANT LADIES' GUILD
 The Guild meets the first Monday of the month at 1900 hrs in the North Chapel Annex. All women are welcome.

FOOD BANK
 The Food Bank is a joint under-taking by both Catholic and Protestant congregations. Please help by giving any food you can spare. The donation box is located at the rear of the chapel.

EMERGENCY CHAPLAIN
 After normal working hours, the Emergency Chaplain can be reached through the W/Ops Duty Centre, 833-2700, or the 2 PPCLI Duty Centre, 833-2727.

OTHER PHONE NUMBERS
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17 WING CERAMIC CLUB

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Ceramics will start Sept. 9. Open house will be on Sept. 23 at 6:30 pm come check us out. Adult classes will start Sept. 25 at 6:30 pm. Youth classes will start on Sept. 30 at 6 pm til 8 pm - must be 11 or older. Class size is limited, please call to register. Reminder to members, your fees are due.

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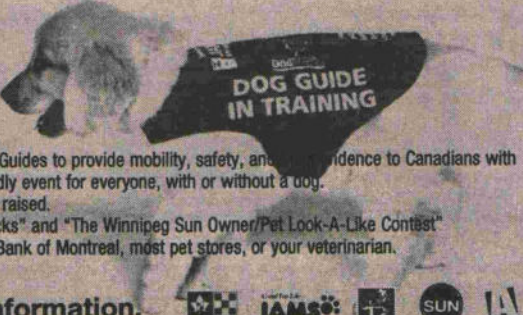
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