

# ***ROYAL CANADIAN AIR FORCE ASSOCIATION***



***783 (CALGARY) WING  
Sept/Oct NEWSLETTER***

***Wing Meets every fourth Monday at 285 Legion – Horton Road 7PM***



## MEET THE TEAM

PRESIDENT	Keith Mann
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SECOND VICE PRESIDENT	Adriano Fisico
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## PRESIDENT'S CORNER



Hello everyone

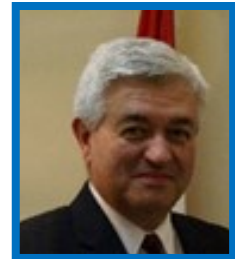
Just a short note to welcome you back from a great summer. Anna and Brian represented us well at the Vimy Ridge summer graduation. (see pictures) Also see the pictures from The Peace Keepers Ceremony. A well attended event. Battle of Britain remembrance will be occurring in September.

Looking forward to seeing you at up and coming events.

See you at our meeting in September.

Respectfully submitted,  
Keith Mann

Hello all. I trust that everyone has had a great summer and rest and are looking forward to another active year. The coming year will be the 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the RCAFA and 783 Calgary Wing has stepped forward to host the Annual General Meeting and Conference. As always, the volunteer group have come together to set up committees and put their efforts into making sure it will be a very successful event.



Most Groups have been stood down for summer but now, with the Battle of Britain parades planned and then the Remembrance Day services upcoming, most Wings will be actively involved.

My thanks again to 783 Wing for their efforts and I look to a stronger organization for 2017-2018.

Steve MacDonnell  
RCAFA



Anna and Bryan Lewis represented the Alberta Air Cadet League in Saskatoon at the summer graduation. The attached pictures highlight the finish of a terrific Cadet training year.

Vimy Ridge biplanes were at the ceremony.

The Vimy Ridge group gave the Cadets a fly past at close of ceremony.

WO2 Isabella Fisco receiving her Wings



Deputy Flight Commander Major Andrew Faith (facing camera)  
 Rob Bauhuis was handing out scrolls  
 Medicine Hat MLA Bob Wanner



# Peace Keepers Parade



## Obituaries

Elsie Sarah Elviss (Née McMurray)

July 10, 2017

The family of Elsie Elviss wish to announce that Mum went home to meet Dad on July 10th.

Mum was born in Orton, Alberta, went to school and worked in Ft. McLeod until she met and married my Dad S/L (Ret) Jack Elviss. They shared 55 years of happiness, and travelled a great deal as Dad was posted to various locations during his Air Force Career. Dad's last posting was to Calgary, where he retired, so they were close to family, both in Alberta and Saskatchewan.

She asked that in lieu of flowers, donations could be made to the Airdrie Air Cadets, c/o Friends of 88 Squadron Society, P.O. Box 20027, East Airdrie RPO, Airdrie T4A 0C2, the MEOW Foundation PO Box 65024, RPO North Hill, Calgary, AB T2N 4T6, or a charity of your choice.



QUINN, Arthur Albert

May 2, 1920 – July 14, 2017

Arthur Quinn passed away on Friday, July 14, 2017 at the age of 97 years. He will be lovingly remembered by his wife of 76 years, Mary Irene "Renie" Quinn; sons Arthur and Robert; sisters Pat and Silvia and brother Jack; grandchildren Sandra, Tammy (Darren) and Arthur; great-grandchildren Joshua, Katrina and Kyle. Arthur was predeceased by his sisters Olga and Olive.

Arthur was born in Tantalton, Saskatchewan and grew up in Beamsville, Ontario. On September 4, 1939 Arthur joined the Royal Canadian Air Force, and was called to duty January 1941. Arthur trained as an Airframe Mechanic and was transferred to #9 Service Flying Training School in Summerside, Prince Edward Island where he met the love of his life, Renie and was married in June 1941. Early in 1942 Arthur was reassigned to the RCAF base in Centralia, Ontario and in March 1945 he was transferred overseas, returning in September 1945 and was released from the Air Force. He rejoined the Air Force in February 1946 and was posted to the RCAF base in Rockcliffe, Ontario. Arthur spent the next few years as a Flight Engineer on the Lancaster and North Star aircrafts doing photography and re-supply work to Canada's northern bases. In July 1954, Arthur and Renie were relocated back to the east coast and spent their next 20 years at Canadian Forces Bases in Greenwood, Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island where he was involved in maintenance work on the Neptune and Argus aircrafts. Arthur was promoted to Warrant Officer First Class in November 1968, and was honorably discharged from the RCAF on May 3, 1975 after 35 years of service. During his stay on the east coast he was Chief Flying Instructor at the Greenwood Flying Club and Digby Flight School. Arthur and Renie arrived in Calgary in September 1981. Arthur took up skiing and worked at Lake Louise as a Ski Friend for nine years along with other numerous volunteer works. Arthur and Renie spent 29 years during the summer on the lakes of British Columbia boating, fishing and hiking, including 24 of those years in Crawford Bay, where they met numerous friends

BEATON, Hugh

September 13, 1931 - July 15, 2017

Born and raised in Medicine Hat by Erna (Draudson) and J.R.(Jack) Beaton. In 1948, Hugh enlisted in the RCAF and became a flying instructor with the rank of Flight Lieutenant. He married Yvonne Clary on September 1, 1956. In 1966 Hugh earned a BSc in Business Administration from the University of San Francisco (Dean's List and Beta Gamma Sigma) and accepted membership in MENSA in 1970. He began a career in systems analysis in California and moved to Hawaii where he also acted as wage and salary negotiator for Castle and Cook. For five years he headed the Mensa society in Honolulu. Forever seeking new challenges, Hugh used his Realtor's license to successfully launch Harbor Realty. After retiring to Seattle, Hugh took a round-the-world cruise on a container ship. That led to a second trip to the smallest nation in the British Commonwealth, Tuvalu. While continuing to travel, Hugh lived in Calgary, Napa, Phoenix, back to Honolulu and Victoria before returning to his beloved Medicine Hat. He established the Hugh Campbell Beaton scholarship in Business Administration at Medicine Hat College. Hugh is the published author of "Animal Stories", his A to Z take on the secret lives of creatures. Predeceased by his parents and siblings: John Edward "Jack", Robert Malcolm "Bob" and B. Norene Beaton, while left to celebrate his life is sister Barbara Ross and the loving families of Jack and Bob. Throughout his life, Hugh was a kind and loving man.



*We Will Remember Them*

#### EXPLANATION OF WHAT WE CAN PROVIDE TO FAMILIES FOR FUNERALS



Honour Guard/Flag party for the service and at the grave side.\*

Provide a Poppy Pillow and poppies\*

Provide the Air Force Tartan large and small for the poppy pillow table/coffin.

Hand out poppies to all attending the service.

Provide and read the "Act Of Remembrance" \*

Any other duties as requested by the family.

\* We provide an Honour Guard/Flag Party as our way of showing respect and honour for our fallen member, as our final act, to protect them and guard them as they have done for our Country and fellow members.

\*The poppy pinning ceremony is provided by 783 Wing RCAFA to honour our fellow member and to say good-bye to a valued friend. Anyone wishing to join us will be invited to come and place the poppy on the poppy pillow prior to the end of the service.

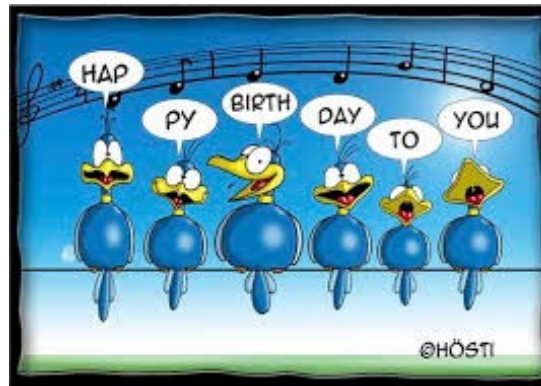
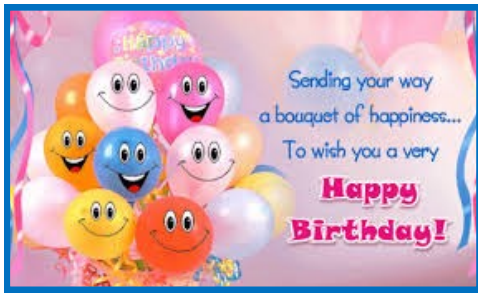
\*The Act of Remembrance is said at every meeting, and Remembrance Day Service.

A member of the Wing will read this Act of Remembrance, if the family wishes.

Any other duties as requested by the family.

We can also provide a contact number for a Piper.





Me and you is friends  
 you smile, I smile...  
 you hurt, I hurt...  
 you cry, I cry...  
 You jump off Bridge  
 I gonna miss your E-Mails.

MACLEAN, CHARLENE	1-Sep
SPIELMAN, KENDALL G	1-Sep
HAYDEN, BERNARD M	8-Sep
COOKE, NORMA	10-Sep
HARRINGTON, GLENN	12-Sep
GIVEN, BRIDGET	13-Sep
WADE, ROBERT	21-Sep
WATSON, BETTY	27-Sep
MAXWELL, LOIS	5-Oct
MACDONNELL, JANE Y	6-Oct
NELSON, GEORGINA	7-Oct
STEFANSSON, LOIS	13-Oct
SALTER, LORNA	21-Oct
BURKE, BEVERLEY A	22-Oct
COOK, COLEEN	24-Oct
LEVESQUE, MARK	27-Oct
MORGAN, IAN	27-Oct
HANBERG, MAURICE J	28-Oct
KOWALCHUK OLGA	29-Oct



"There was no way I could fit that many candles on the cake, so I just set it on fire."

Members are encouraged to send us "stuff", pictures, jokes, recipes and comments (nice ones only) and we will do our best to make sure these are included.





**The Annual Battle of Britain will be held at the Military Museum on Sunday 17th September 1:30/2:00**

**All members are welcome and a reminder that Medals should be worn.**

## **285 Legion**

**Activities are still continuing at 285 Branch. Don't forget the weekly meat draws, Friday night buffets, chase the ace etc.**

## **2018 National AGM**

**Committee is now set up with Keith Mann and Pal Sulek as Co-chairs.**

**Strategic Committee have been struck up with Adrian Fisico as Registration Head, Kenn Nixon as Financial Bob Clarke as Silent Auction Head, Bev Spielman as Spousal Head.**

**Each Committee will need lots of help so Calgary can host the best Agm in years.**

**If you wish to join a Committee, contact the heads.**

## Cheddar-Chicken Crunch Salad

- 1/4 cup *Miracle Whip* Original Spread
- 1/4 cup *Kraft Rancher's Choice* Dressing
- 4 cups small fresh broccoli florets
- 2 cups chopped cooked chicken breasts
- 1 cup halved cherry tomatoes
- 1/2 cup thinly sliced red onions
- 1/2 cup *Cracker Barrel* Shredded Mozza-Cheddar Cheese
- 1/4 cup *Oscar Mayer* Real Bacon Bits



Mix *Miracle Whip* and dressing in large bowl until blended. Add all remaining ingredients except cheese and bacon; mix lightly. Refrigerate 1 hour. Top with cheese and bacon just before serving.

## PHILADELPHIA Sweet Potato Cheesecake Bars

- 1-1/2 cups graham crumbs
- 1/2 cup finely chopped pecans
- 1 cup plus 2 Tbsp. sugar, divided
- 2 Tbsp. butter, melted
- 4 pkg. (250 g each) *Philadelphia* Brick Cream Cheese, softened
- 1 can (15 oz.) sweet potatoes, well drained, mashed
- 1 tsp. vanilla
- 1/2 tsp. ground cinnamon
- 1/8 tsp. ground nutmeg
- 1/8 tsp. crushed red pepper
- 4 eggs
- 2 cups *Jet-Puffed* Miniature Marshmallows



Heat oven to 325°F.

Line 13x9-inch pan with foil, with ends of foil extending over sides. Mix graham crumbs, nuts, 2 Tbsp. sugar and butter; press onto bottom of prepared pan.

Beat cream cheese, remaining sugar, potatoes, vanilla, spices and crushed pepper with mixer until blended. Add eggs, 1 at a time, mixing on low speed after each just until blended. Pour over crust.

Bake 40 to 45 min. or until centre is almost set. Cool 10 min; top with marshmallows. Cool cheesecake completely. Refrigerate 4 hours.

Heat broiler when ready to serve cheesecake. Broil cheesecake, 6 inches from heat, 1 to 2 min. or until marshmallows are golden brown. Use foil handles to remove cheesecake from pan before cutting into bars.

Pretty neat idea. Never thought of it before.

Put your car keys beside your bed at night.

Tell your spouse, your children, your neighbors, your parents, your Dr's office, the check-out girl at the market, everyone you run across. Put your car keys beside your bed at night.

If you hear a noise outside your home or someone trying to get in your house, just press the panic button for your car. The alarm will be set off, and the horn will continue to sound until either you turn it off or the car battery dies.

This tip came from a neighborhood watch coordinator. Next time you come home for the night and you start to put your keys away, think of this: It's a security alarm system that you probably already have and requires no installation. Test it. It will go off from most everywhere inside your house and will keep honking until your battery runs down or until you reset it with the button on the key fob chain. It works if you park in your driveway or garage.

If your car alarm goes off when someone is trying to break into your house, odds are the burglar/rapist won't stick around. After a few seconds, all the neighbors will be looking out their windows to see who is out there and sure enough the criminal won't want that. And remember to carry your keys while walking to your car in a parking lot. The alarm can work the same way there. This is something that should really be shared with everyone. Maybe it could save a life or a sexual abuse crime.

P.S. I am sending this to everyone I know because I think it is fantastic. Would also be useful for any emergency, such as a heart attack, where you can't reach a phone. My Mom has suggested to my Dad that he carry his car keys with him in case he falls outside and she doesn't hear him. He can activate the car alarm and then she'll know there's a problem.



Penny a blonde city girl, marries a Yorkshire dairy farmer.

One morning, on his way out to check on the cows, farmer John says to Penny, 'The insemination man is coming over to impregnate one of our cows today. I drove a nail into the rail above the cow's stall in the barn. You show him where the cow is when he gets here, OK?'

So then the farmer leaves for the fields.

After a while, the insemination man arrives and knocks on the front door. Penny takes him down to the barn. They walk along the row of cows and when she sees the nail, she tells him, 'This is the one...right here.'

Terribly impressed by what he seemed to think just might be another dizzy blonde, the man asks, 'Tell me lady, how did you know this is the cow to be bred?'

'That's simple; by the nail over its stall', Penny explains very confidently.

Then the man asks, 'What's the nail for?'

She turns and starts to walk away and with complete confidence, says over her shoulder, ..... 'I assume it's to hang your trousers on.'

A bookseller conducting a market survey asked a woman – “Which book has helped you most in your life?”

The woman replied, “My husband’s cheque book !!”

A prospective husband in a book store “Do you have a book called ‘Husband – the Master of the House?’”

Sales girl: “Sir, fiction and comics are on the 1st floor!”

Someone asked an old man: “Even after 80 years, you still call your wife – darling, honey, luv.

What’s the secret?”

Old man: “I forgot her name and I’m scared to ask her.”

Submitted by Joanna Howard







**Marion Mascaro** is still collecting used stamps and would appreciate any you wish to donate bring them to the meeting.

Save all your pop can tabs for **Helen Hill**, they go towards the purchase of handicap wheel chairs for children.

If you know of anyone who is ill in the hospital or confined at home. Please let Edith McMinn Health and Wellness Chair know, so she can send a card on the Wings behalf.

Next Wing Meeting—September 25th

November

Xmas Party –November 17-Ticket available at next meeting.

Rosebud Theatre—see Pat

Remembrance Day

November meeting last one as we stand down for December