

# What is New with the Alumni?

Yes it has been awhile, the Alumni has been low key for the last few months. Now that the squadron will be celebrating our 70th anniversary in 2016 it is time for us to collaborate another reunion. Watch our website and Facebook page for upcoming information about the reunion.

### Jet Ride Raffle



The Alumni with the assistance of the 395 Squadron Parents Association, organized a jet ride raffle with Jet Pro

http://www.jetpro.ca/Charity%20Flights.html to raise money for the Alumni's upcoming 70th Anniversary Reunion and support 395 Squadron Air Cadets. Five Hundred tickets were printed and over 300 were sold. After expenses and donating 1/3 of our profits with the 395 Squadron Parents Association as per our arrangement, we were able to bank just over \$3200!!

Thank you to everyone who purchased tickets and in particular 395 Air Cadet Squadron, the Parent's Committee and our Alumni members who helped sell the tickets. We even reached Alumni members from Vancouver and Cochrane who purchased tickets!

....And the winner of the jet ride raffle was David Leung of Edmonton, ticket number 273....Congratulations David!

### Beverly Cenotaph and 2015 Remembrance Day Parade



Did you know that the Beverly Cenotaph is the oldest cenotaph built in Alberta? In 1920 Thomas R. Dando, Charter Member of the Beverly Veterans' Association, donated land for a Memorial Park on which to erect a Cenotaph. On October 17, 1920, the Lieutenant Governor of Alberta, the Honourable G. Brett unveiled the Cenotaph and dedicated the

grounds. After the Second World War, Beverly doubled the size of Memorial Park and the Cenotaph was moved to a more central location within the park where it now resides.

One of our very active Alumni members, Joe Luce, is the chair of the Beverly Cenotaph Restoration Program and has been engaged with many fundraisers and grants over the last few years to refurbish this historical landmark. If you are interested in supporting this worthy cause, please contact Joe at Joeluce@hotmail.com or Cornel Rusnak with the Beverly Business Association at 780-413-6244.

Remembrance Day Ceremonies will be held at the Beverly Cenotaph once again this year, so if you have opportunity please support the cenotaph as well as join the 395 Squadron RCACS on November 11,2015 for the Remembrance Day ceremonies. The official ceremonies start promptly at 11:00 am.

## **70th Anniversary Reunion is Coming**

### Mark your calendars for Friday, May 27, 2016.

A committee has been struck and several of the tasks have been delegated. There is always room for more people to become involved and as time moves on we will be looking at other tasks that will need to be completed, so if you are interested in becoming involved, please contact us. Our next meeting will be held sometime in January 2016. The banquet ticket price and other details will be forwarded shortly in the new year but please mark your calendar.

We would like to take this opportunity to welcome our newest Reunion Committee Members; Rebecca Moran, Nicole Morton and Stephen Bly.

#### Facts about the Reunion So Far:

- Date has been set for Friday, May 27, 2016
- The Chateau Louis Conference Center has been booked
- Hotel rooms at the Chateau Louis will be available at a discounted rate (to take advantage of the discounted rate you will need to book 30 days prior to the event)

• Our guest speaker has been booked. We are very fortunate to get Major General Bury, Chief Reserves and Cadets, Department of National Defence as our guest speaker. Major General Bury is the officer responsible for all cadets in Canada and is the highest ranking officer in the cadet world. Along with his appearance at our reunion, he will be the Reviewing Officer for 395 Squadron's annual inspection the next day. A big thank you goes out to Don St Croix for initiating the request to get Major General Bury at our function.





395 Squadron Alumni Reunion 2011

If you have a story you would like to share on how 395 Squadron Air Cadets has benefitted you, please send it into Karen Butkowski at Butkowski@shaw.ca and we will feature it in one our upcoming newsletters.



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