



Royal London Military Institute

JULY 2019 Newsletter

RLMI President's Message

Hello everyone,

....hope you are enjoying a relaxing summer with family and friends!

Our 13 May RLMI Spring Dinner was a great success. See page 3 for photos of the event. Below are a few items to update you on upcoming RLMI events:

- Please note page 3 for Fall RLMI dates and be sure to mark your calendar for the first event, the **09 September Cocktail Party (1600hrs-1800hrs) at H.M.C.S PREVOST**. Watch for a notice and RSVP towards the end of August from RLMI Secretary Gail Sneddon.
- The speaker for the **October General Meeting** will be Mrs. Catherine Shaw:
"If you have looked at photographs of the American Civil War, chances are that you were looking at the work of Mathew Brady. In his early days, Brady introduced and popularized this new medium to a public eager for images of itself and its celebrities. During the Civil War, he dispatched mobile darkrooms to recent battlefields and thereby documented the conflict and its people in an unprecedented manner. In this illustrated talk, Catherine Shaw will outline Brady's fascinating career and his successes, failures and ultimate legacy to history."
- For further information on RLMI, please see www.rlmi.ca As always, new members and guests are welcome to attend RLMI events.

Have a great summer everyone....hope to see you Monday 09 **September** at our *Cocktail Party*.

Gerry

Gerry Treble, President





Royal London Military Institute

Upcoming RLMI Meetings/Events

Timing for General Meetings continues as usual on Mondays:

1900hrs Meet and Greet --- 1930hrs General Meeting/Program

- **09 Sept-** Cocktail Party 1600hrs-1800hrs
- **07 Oct-** General Meeting-
1900hrs Meet and Greet --- 1930hrs Meeting/Program
- **04 Nov-** Elections* (take effect at AGM in February) / General Meeting
1900hrs Meet and Greet---1930hrs Meeting/Program
- **09 Dec-** Christmas/Festive Season At-Home Social

- **01 January 2020-** Levee

RLMI Executive Committee Meetings are held in the 2nd floor Boardroom at HMCS PREVOST at 13:30hrs. RLMI members are welcome to attend in a non-voting capacity. Executive Committee meetings dates for the remainder of 2019 are as follows:

- **12 September**
- **10 October**
- **7 November**



**Please contact us to discuss joining our Executive. Elections take place in November and take effect at AGM in February.*

<http://www.rlmi.ca>

RLMI Spring Dinner- 13 May





Royal London Military Institute

RLMI Support for Cadets

As you are aware from the last Newsletter, following lengthy discussions, the *RLMI Executive Committee* unanimously voted to demonstrate our continued interest in the development of the Cadet Training through a new method of support. The revised support model consists of making a \$300.00 donation to each of the five Cadet Unit Sponsoring Committees within the City of London boundaries [9 RCACC (Army); 27 RCACS (Air); 37 RCSCC (Sea); 614 RCACS (Air); 862 RCACS (Air)].

The cheque was made available, by our RLMI Cadet Liaison Director (Sam Newman), for presentation to the Unit by a RLMI member on a suitable night, CO's parade or at the Annual Cadet Review.

This new support model replaces the 15 individual Cadet Citizenship Awards, along with the accompanying fifty dollar cheque, to the 15 individual cadet recipients in the region. In retiring the individual RLMI Citizenship Award, we wish to demonstrate our continued interest and support for the Cadet Movement through provision of a significant donation to each of the Units' Sponsoring Committees within the London City geographical limits.

This \$300.00 donation to each of five Units is intended to benefit all of the Cadets in the Unit in the manner most suited to their training needs and budget.





Royal London Military Institute



In Memoriam

Margaret Gertrude HOWE (née LeBas) passed away April 24, 2019 at the age of 103 following a brief illness. She was predeceased by her husband John. Born in Gaspé, Margaret received a Bachelor of Arts in Romance Languages (1936) and a Master of Arts in Psychology (1938). She was employed as a Clinical Psychologist for all of her career which also included being a Captain in the Canadian Women's Army Corps (1942-1946). Following her retirement, she became an active volunteer in her community and wrote 2 books, one about her army experiences and the other about her early days as a Clinical Psychologist.

Margaret considered her 100th birthday party to be her celebration of life and preferred to be present when her friends and family gathered together.

Peter Charles BARTLEY died peacefully in London Ontario after three months at Victoria Hospital, and two weeks on the Palliative Care Unit at Parkwood Institute. He died an octogenarian on May 3, 2019. Peter was born in Perth Western Australia on the 16th of January, 1939. In 1958, Peter started his five-year compulsory military training, part of National Service in Australia, and served part-time for nine years in the Australian Army. Afterwards, he joined the Canadian Army Reserve and remained with the Canadian Forces, rising to the rank of captain. For his years of service to the Queen, he earned the Canadian Forces' Decoration (CD). He was the last President of the London United Services Institute (LUSI) in 1998, and the first President of the Royal London Military Institute (RLMI) in 1999.

The Rev. A.E. Douglas MacKENZIE - Peacefully at University Hospital on Friday, April 26, 2019 in his 84th year. Doug graduated from Western University in 1959, where he played football for the Mustangs, followed by a professional career with the Saskatchewan Roughriders. In 1991, he was inducted into the Western Mustangs Sports Hall of Fame. Doug returned to Western for his Masters in History and eventually held various positions at the University. He was Foreign Student Advisor and Head of the Office of International Education, welcoming students from all over the world into his home. Doug was a strong advocate for the under-privileged. Ordained as an Anglican Priest in 1986, he served in several parishes including St. Aidan's and St. John the Divine, Arva. He also authored several history books. Happiest on the golf course, Doug was an avid traveller and tour leader, and a crossword aficionado.

Sheridan (Sherry) E. ATKINSON, aged 97, died surrounded by family, on May 22, in Chatham. He was born in 1921 in London, where he volunteered for the army the day after World War II was declared. He was the last surviving member of The Royal Canadian Regiment to have participated in the invasion of Sicily at Pachino on July 10, 1943, and was seriously wounded in combat near Nissoria. He then dedicated his life to helping other veterans through his work as District Director with Veterans Affairs Canada, and through a lifetime of active involvement with the Royal Canadian Legion as a member of the Ridgetown Branch. He was Past President of The Royal Canadian Regiment Association, a Trustee of The Royal Canadian Regiment Trust Fund, a former Member of the Board of Governors of the Canadian Corps of Commissionaires, and Past President of the Federal Institute of Management.





Royal London Military Institute

RLMI Executive Committee 2018 – 2019

President	Lt G.W. (Gerry) Treble	gerrytreble@rogers.com
Past President	LCol A. (Armin) Grunwald, COM, MSM	agrunwald@rogers.com
1st Vice-President	LCol I. C. (Ian) Haley, CD	hussar1955@gmail.com
2nd Vice-President	LCol B.N. (Brian) Harris, CD	bnharris@rogers.com
Secretary	MWO G. L. (Gail) Sneddon, CD	glsneddon@rogers.com
Treasurer	LCol F.B. (Barry) Graham CD	barrygraham533@hotmail.com
Director, Speakers	LCol I. C. (Ian) Haley, CD	hussar1955@gmail.com
Directors, Hospitality	MWO G. L. (Gail) Sneddon, CD LCol B.N. (Brian) Harris, CD	glsneddon@rogers.com bnharris@rogers.com
Directors, Tours	Mrs J.A. (Judy) Grunwald LCol A. (Armin) Grunwald, COM, MSM	rlmi@rogers.com
Director, Cadets	Capt S. F. (Sam) Newman, CD	sfn.afac@rogers.com
Director, Kit Shop	WO E. (Elizabeth) King, SSStJ, CD	elizabethking@rogers.com
Director, Website Editor	Mrs. J.A. (Judy) Grunwald	agrunwald@rogers.com
Director, Newsletter	Lt G.W. (Gerry) Treble	gerrytreble@rogers.com
Director, Chaplain	Rev. F. R. (Frank) Mantz	519-473-3962
Director	LCol J.W. (Scotty) Martin, MSM, CD	lcol.jwmartin@rogers.com
Director	Catherine Elliot Shaw	the_shaws@sympatico.ca

Auditor: Major W. D. (David) Weames, CD

