

Museum Happenings!

Well, the sesquicentennial of Canada has been amazing for the museum. From great exhibits and wonderful evening events to our Canada Day summer concert, the response from soldiers, veterans and the public has been so supportive and appreciative! The museum staff received a Commandant's Commendation for all their hard work!

We have been fortunate to receive two grants from the government to hire summer students. They have been busy guiding tours, creating newsletters (thanks Grey Spafford!) , translating documents (thanks Sarah Mills!) and creating workbooks for students (thanks Kathleen Rankin!) Our summer has been successful because of their efforts. We wish them Good Luck in their future studies!

Kayla Keenan and Andrew Kennedy, two students from Queen's Archive program worked at the museum, starting last fall, helping with the archives and creating the "Visions of Vimy" exhibit which will be on our website by the end of the year. Thank you so much for all of your endeavors!

We were fortunate to receive two grants, one for "Visions of Vimy" from the City of Kingston and one for the Canada 150 concert from the Community Foundation of Kingston. Both projects have been well received and we hope to work with the City and the Foundation in the future.

On August 22 the Hill 70 exhibit, will be opening. In November we will be unveiling the Third Battle of Passchendaele, a travelling exhibit, courtesy of a donation from the 33 Signal Regiment Foundation. This exhibit will be on loan to all C&E reserve units. Please contact the museum if you are interested in hosting this exhibit.

Finally, many thanks to the curatorial team of Annette Gillis, Jessica Beardsley and David McCarey, who were recognized for their outstanding efforts by their peers. It was a well deserved award. And a big thank you to all who support the museum through donations to the P070, donate your volunteer time, donate through our donation box or sponsor an exhibit display. Without your donations of time and money the museum would not be the jewel that it is.

P.S. - December 1 will be our Volunteer Luncheon. Please contact the Museum for more information.

Hello from the Mercury Shop!

For those that don't know Lisa-Maria has moved on to another job, we wish her success in her future endeavors. Megan Charlong has taken on the roll as assistant Kit Shop Supervisor. We have found a new Jeweler who will begin making us rings this fall, so watch for them on the web site. If you have any particular request for rings don't hesitate to call us. Hoping to have a new method of doing T-Shirt / Golf Shirts and other clothing items that will greatly shorten the turnaround time in the near future. You provide the graphic, you pick the colour and size of the article and we will produce it and ship it. This will also be added to the web site in late September. If you are in and need any engraving for trophies, wine glasses, beer mugs plaques, drop us a line. Phone 613-541-5395 mercuryshop@c-and-e-museum.org



Summer 2017



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THE MILITARY
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Vimy Remembered

1917-2017

In memory of the 100th anniversary of the Battle of Vimy Ridge, the Military Communications and Electronics Museum has created a wonderful exhibition as part of their ongoing remembrance of the soldiers of the Great War.

To highlight the contribution of the Royal Canadian Corps of Signals the Museum is featuring three of the original plaster models designed by Walter S. Allward, the process he used in the design and construction of the Vimy Memorial through the display “**Visions of Vimy**” and an interactive 3D digital map of the battle created in partnership with Nipissing University. The Museum also partnered with Queen’s University Archives, the City of Kingston and the Directorate of History and Heritage for this multi-faceted exhibit.

The Vimy Memorial was unveiled on July 26th, 1936 in France and serves as a monument for peace and not the celebration of war; it is a place to mourn and remember the human cost of war.

As part of our ongoing effort to honour the Great War, exhibits for Hill 70 and the Third Battle of Passchendaele will be opening in August 2017 and November 2017.



Celebrating Canada 150 Through Music

Everyone was invited to beat the heat and enjoy an indoor afternoon of local music at the Military Communications and Electronics Museum on July 1st in celebration of Canada’s 150th birthday! This free event began with the Limestone Trio and the Gentle Wings Puppet Theatre kicking things off. After a quick cupcake break, the festive atmosphere continued with Mauricio’s Latin Guitar, the Kingston Drum Circle and the Euro Café Duo. The celebrations were drawn to a close by the PWOR Band marching through the museum! The Museum partnered with the Military Communications and Electronics Museum Foundation, the Kingston Military Family Resource Centre and the Seniors Association Kingston Region, with support from Community Fund for Canada’s 150th. Special thanks go to all who participated in making this event a success with over 200 attendees. Thanks to the Museum’s wonderful partners and sponsors!

