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Spring is coming and it is a time of training, deployments and rebuilding. Sadly, it is also time to acknowledge the service of our Veterans and family who have passed away. **L/Cpl Doug Ricard**,



was recently honoured with a street banner in the City of Burlington, and with our Branch history by LCol Moore. Doug recently celebrated his 104th birthday. He was a Signaler during the Dieppe Raid, was wounded and when his LCT was damaged swam the last part back to England. There will

be a Memorial service at the Cathedral in Toronto.



HLCol and Major (ret'd) Robert Lorne Wimperis was the commanding officer of the 1st Independent Signal Squadron, which later became 705(Hamilton) Communication Squadron and now 31 Signal Regiment. The current RSM Anthony Spinosa remembers when as a new member he was reminded by Bob Wimperis, how "privileged and proud" he should be serving as a signaler. Bob became the first HLCol of 705 and brought in veteran soldier and philanthropist HLCol Denys Rice as his successor. Bob remained active in the Signals Association. Three successor CO's remember Bob as a jovial good-hearted advisor always willing to assist and support the Unit.

We have a few remaining veterans still with us and if any members wish to become a Pen Pal with our veterans, please contact WO Sevan Mardirossian.



We are always strengthened by our family. Therefore, it is with sadness we have learned of the passing of **Shirley Madonna Rangel-Bron**, the mother of Maj Ric Rangel-Bron the CO of 709 RCACC. We offer Maj Ric and family our sincere condolences and deepest sympathy at this sad time.



32 Signal Regiment ran the Cold Weather Operator (CWO) course on 3-5 February, 2023 in Canadian Forces Base (CFB) Borden, Ontario.

During the last weekend of the course, members learned how to light a fire, practiced battle drills, set up Arctic tents, and took part in a ruck march with



toboggans, a night navigation, and a Personal Weapons Test (PWT) level 2. Congratulations to all the candidates for completing the course and the instructors and staff for their contribution to its success. Our thanks to Cpl Meereboer and MCpl Krebs-Vandeloosdrecht for the pictures.



On Friday, February 24th, 2023, members of 32 Signal Regiment were present as The Right Honourable Justin Trudeau, P.C., M.P. Prime Minister of Canada and The



Honourable Anita Anand, Minister of National Defence, marked the one-year anniversary of Russia's invasion of Ukraine. While speaking at Fort York Armoury in Toronto the Prime Minister announced further military support to Ukraine and solidified Canada's support to the people of Ukraine. You are looking good guys! Well done.

If you would like to know more about what is happening in the Family Council for the Regiment or take part in organising our events please contact any of our Council representatives or email HCol Ken Lloyd at kenlloyd.mediator@gmail.com.

Latest news is that Museologist Adam Foreman from the Erland Lee Museum and National Historic Site has agreed to look at our artifact collection in the Unit Lines and suggest how we may improve our care and displays. If you wish to be part of this project please contact you Mess PMC or send an email to kenlloyd.mediator@gmail.com