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SUBJ: NAVAL CENTENNIAL UPDATE

1. AS WE PROGRESS INTO THE SPRING OF 2010, OUR NAVAL CENTENNIAL YEAR,

I WOULD LIKE TO TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO ADDRESS THE WAY AHEAD AND TO INVITE THE ENTIRE MILITARY AND DND COMMUNITY AND FAMILIES TO PARTICIPATE IN THE MANY SCHEDULED ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS HAPPENING IN THE UPCOMING MONTHS. THIS CENTENNIAL IS TRULY A ONCE-IN-A-LIFETIME OPPORTUNITY FOR SERVICE MEMBERS, DEFENCE CIVILIANS AND THE PUBLIC AT LARGE TO CELEBRATE A PROUD LEGACY OF NAVAL SERVICE. MARLANT IS OFFERING MANY EXCITING OPPORTUNITIES FOR OUR PERSONNEL TO PLAY A PART IN THIS HISTORIC OCCASION

2. ALREADY THE NAVAL COMMUNITY HAS DISPLAYED PROFESSIONALISM,

DEDICATION AND ENTHUSIASM IN EVENTS SUCH AS THE PRESENTATION AND CONSECRATION OF THE QUEEN S COLOURS, THE CENTENNIAL BELL ROPE COMPETITION, THE CENTENNIAL FLAG RAISING AT CITY HALL AND THE WILLIAM HALL VC STAMP UNVEILING. THESE EVENTS WERE A PRELUDE TO THE MAIN CENTENNIAL EVENTS THAT WILL HAPPEN IN THE NEXT FEW MONTHS:

A. THIS MONTH THE STADACONA BAND WILL COMMENCE PERFORMING MUSICAL TRIBUTE CONCERTS TO THE NAVAL CENTENNIAL IN 23 CITIES AND TOWNS IN EASTERN CANADA. THE BAND WILL PLAY IN HALIFAX 26 APR AT THE REBECCA COHN AUDITORIUM. TICKETS ARE ONLY 15 DOLLARS PER PERSON FOR THIS PREMIER MUSICAL CELEBRATION OF SAILORS AND SONGS,

B. FROM 1 MAY TO 16 JULY THE ART GALLERY OF NOVA SCOTIA WILL HOST AN EXHIBIT CELEBRATING THE NAVAL PRESENCE IN HALIFAX THROUGH PAINTINGS

AND SKETCHES,

C. ON 2 MAY THE BATTLE OF THE ATLANTIC CEREMONY AT POINT

PLEASANT PARK
WILL COMMEMORATE THE 65TH ANNIVERSARY OF NAVY AND ALLIED
MERCHANT
MARINE VICTORY AND THE SACRIFICE OF 3600 NAVAL AND MERCHANT
SAILORS.
WHILE PARADE APPOINTMENTS AND ORDERS HAVE BEEN MADE, ALL
MARLANT
PERSONNEL ARE ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND. ON COMPLETION, THE
FLEET CLUB WILL
HOST AN ALL RANKS FOOD, BEVERAGE AND ENTERTAINMENT SERVICE
FOR
CIVILIAN AND MILITARY PERSONNEL WHO PARTICIPATED IN OR
ATTENDED THE
CEREMONY,
D. ON 4 MAY, THE ACTUAL BIRTHDAY OF THE NAVY, I SHALL LEAD A
PARADE OF
1000 OR MORE SERVICE PERSONS FROM THE DOCKYARD TO CITY HALL
TO BE
GRANTED FREEDOM OF THE CITY BY THE MAYOR OF THE HALIFAX
REGIONAL
MUNICIPALITY. AGAIN PARADE APPOINTMENTS AND ORDERS HAVE
BEEN ISSUED,
BUT UNIT COMMANDERS ARE REQUESTED TO ENCOURAGE ALL
PERSONNEL TO ATTEND
AND WITNESS THE CEREMONY. ON COMPLETION, WHILE SHIPS HOST
THEIR OWN
BANYANS CFB HALIFAX WILL HOST A BANYAN AT THE DRILL SHED.
ALL
PARTICIPANTS AND MILITARY SPECTATORS ARE INVITED TO ATTEND
AND ENJOY
THE COMRADERIE OF THE OCCASION AND AN UP SPIRITS,
E. ON 29 JUN THE HIGHLIGHT OF THE CENTENNIAL CELEBRATIONS WILL
BE THE
INTERNATIONAL FLEET REVIEW WHERE OVER 30 FOREIGN AND
CANADIAN WARSHIPS
WILL BE ASSEMBLED IN BEDFORD BASIN AND HALIFAX HARBOUR FOR
THE REVIEW
BY A VVIP AND FLYPAST OF CF AND ALLIED AIRCRAFT. THE FLEET
REVIEW WILL
CULMINATE WITH AN AERIAL DEMONSTRATION OVER HALIFAX
HARBOUR BY THE
SNOWBIRDS. WHILE MANY THOUSANDS OF MARLANT PERSONNEL WILL
BE DIRECTLY
ENGAGED IN EXECUTING IFR EVENTS, DND EMPLOYEES AND FAMILIES
WILL BE
PROVIDED ACCESS TO THE SOUTH END OF THE DOCKYARD TO WITNESS
THE END OF
THE FLEET REVIEW AND SNOWBIRD DEMONSTRATION,

F. THE IFR WEEK (25 JUN - 2 JUL) WILL HAVE NUMEROUS EVENTS, ACTIVITIES AND CEREMONIES FOR ALL TO PARTICIPATE. A FOCAL POINT FOR MORALE AND WELFARE ACTIVITIES WILL BE THE CENTENNIAL VILLAGE AT THE SOUTH END OF HMC DOCKYARD IN THE OUTSIDE PARKING LOT ACROSS FROM RAINBOW GATE. NAVAL PERSONNEL WILL ALSO SUPPORT STATE LEVEL CEREMONIES INCLUDING THE PROVISION OF A 100 PERSON NAVAL GUARD OF HONOUR, COLOUR PARTY FOR PARADING OF THE QUEEN S COLOUR AT AN OUTDOOR HALIFAX VENUE. MOREOVER NAVAL COOKS AND STEWARDS WILL PLAY LARGE IN HOSTING A STATE LEVEL LUNCHEON EVENT AT A YET TO BE NAMED HALIFAX FACILITY. FINALLY, DURING THE IFR WEEK, CMS AND COMD MARLANT WILL HOST VISITING NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL DELEGATIONS IN A SERIES OF RECEPTIONS AT HOME AND AFLOAT. A DETAILED SCHEDULE OF EVENTS AND ATTENDANCE OPPORTUNITIES WILL BE POSTED IN DUE COURSE,

G. ON 25 JUN, DND FAMILY APPRECIATION DAY WILL HAPPEN WITH ACTIVITIES IN AND AROUND THE CENTENNIAL VILLAGE, TOURS OF VISITING WARSHIPS AND A SPECIAL CONCERT IN THE EVENING, AND THE EVER POPULAR SPONSORSHIP DRAWS,

H. 1 - 8 JUL, THE ROYAL NOVA SCOTIA INTERNATIONAL TATTOO WILL HAVE A NAVAL THEME IN RECOGNITION OF A CENTURY OF SERVICE. APPROXIMATELY 180 NAVAL PERSONNEL WILL PERFORM DEMONSTRATION ROUTINES AND MUSIC. NAVAL PERSONNEL WILL ALSO SUPPORT THE GUARD FOR THE PARADING OF THE QUEEN S COLOUR. A CONSIDERABLE NUMBER OF COMPLIMENTARY TICKETS WILL BE DISTRIBUTED THROUGHOUT THE FORMATION FOR THE PREVIEW NIGHT SHOW 30 JUN

I. ON 7 AUG THE MARLANT CENTENNIAL BALL AT THE WORLD TRADE AND CONVENTION CENTRE WILL BE THE MAJOR CENTENNIAL SOCIAL EVENT

FOR 800
GUESTS. WHILE OFFICERS AND CHIEFS AND PETTY OFFICERS HAVE
PURCHASED
THEIR QUOTAS OF RESERVED SEATS, THERE ARE STILL MANY
REMAINING FOR
JUNIOR NCM ATTENDANCE. THIS IS A ONCE IN A CAREER CELEBRATION
NOT TO
BE MISSED.

4. I ENCOURAGE ALL TO BE ENGAGED AND TAKE ADVANTAGE OF
RESOURCES THAT
ARE AVAILABLE TO LEARN MORE ON THE CENTENNIAL CELEBRATIONS:
A. THE MARLANT CNC OFFICE IS LOCATED IN A BLOCK IN THE OLD
CANEX SPACE
AND THEY HAVE A WEBSITE, AVAILABLE FROM THE MARLANT
HOMEPAGE, WITH ALL
THE LATEST INFO,
B. A MARLANT IFR FACEBOOK WEBSITE HAS BEEN LAUNCHED,
C. EVENT-SPECIFIC MARLANTGENS AND MCAN MESSAGES WILL BE
RELEASED
CLOSER TO THE EVENTS,
D. CNC EVENTS WILL BE FEATURED IN THE TRIDENT AND MAPLE LEAF
NEWSPAPERS, AND
E. I SHALL HOST TOWNHALLS ON 19 MAY AT CFMWC TO DISCUSS
CENTENNIAL
ACTIVITIES AND OTHER STRATEGIC NAVAL MATTERS OF INTEREST 5.

THE
PROGRAM IS ROBUST AND DEMANDING AND WILL REQUIRE
EXTRAORDINARY EFFORTS
BY MANY TO PLAN, ORGANIZE AND EXECUTE. EACH OF US HAS A VITAL
ROLE TO
PLAY AND I URGE YOU TO PUT YOUR BEST EFFORTS FORWARD AS WE
SHOWCASE
OUR NAVY OF TODAY AND CELEBRATE OUR COLLECTIVE HERITAGE
END OF ENGLISH
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