#### Honorary Patron of EUSI – Her Honor, Lois Mitchell, Lieutenant Governor of Alberta



# PRESIDENT'S ENEWS SEPTEMBER 2018

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#### PRESIDENT'S COMMENT

On behalf of the EUSI, I attended a luncheon, invited by the Her Honour, Lieutenant Governor of Alberta, Lois Mitchell. Three other Board of Directors were also in attendance. The reason for the luncheon is to networking among various volunteer organizations that Her Honour is the Patron. She also encouraged organizations to submit applications for the Sovereign Volunteers Medal. The EUSI of course has been on top of this and Capt (ret'd) George Kuhse is the Director of Honors and Awards and he is submitting applications, nominating members for this medal. We hope to be more active on this matter and get better results.

#### **Battle of Britain Parade**

EUSI members are invited to the 73rd Anniversary commemorating the Battle of Britain on Sunday, September16th, 10:00AM for 10:30AM. at the 408 Squadron Hangar, Rhine Road, CFB Edmonton.

Please let me know if you are attending by September 1 so I can make sure enough seating is set aside.

This is a secure facility, cells phones are not permitted inside.



Symposium and Mess Dinner, Saturday, September 22, 2018

The annual symposium and mess dinner is three weeks away and there is little support coming from EUSI members. We cannot make luncheon and dinner plans without numbers. Please send in your RSVP if you are planning to attend this event. We have assembled a very impressive panel of speaker on a very important subject. Those of you who think Canada would not fall victim to a nuclear destruction, please think again. A nuclear accident in a nuclear facility or an unintended military error is not impossible. A friend of mine was in Hawaii when they experienced a false alarm and he could not book a flight out because all major credit cards stopped functioning. Japanese rice and sea food productions were the most desired export among Asian countries before their nuclear accident five years ago. Now many Asian countries have a ban on Japanese agricultural products. Two of our speakers will comment on lessons learned in Japan and in Russia. North Korea has in fact enhanced their nuclear weapons capability despite their professed de-nuclearization. What are Canada's counter measures? Come to the symposium and find out. I have again attached an excerpt of the symposium program and RSVPs for the symposium and mess dinner for you convenience.



#### **High Flight**

And danced the skies on laughter-silvered wings;
Sunward I've climbed, and joined the tumbling mirth
Of sun-split clouds—and done a hundred things
You have not dreamed of
—wheeled and soared and swung
High in the sunlit silence; hov'ring there,

I've chased the shouting wind along, and flung My eager craft through footless halls of air.
Up, Up the long, delirious, burning blue
I've topped the wind-swept heights with easy grace
Where never lark, or even eagle flew—
And, while with silent lifting mind I've trod
The high untrespassed sanctity of space,
Put out my hand and touched the face of God.

Commonwealth Air Forces Ottawa Memorial



#### **HUMOUR**

An elderly man in Florida had owned a large farm for several years. He had a large pond in the back.

It was properly shaped for swimming, so he fixed it up nice with picnic tables, horseshoe courts, and planted some orange and lime trees.

One evening the old farmer decided to go down to the pond, as he hadn't been there for a while, and look it over. He grabbed a five-gallon bucket to bring back some fruit. As he neared the pond, he heard voices shouting and laughing with glee.

As he came closer, he saw it was a bunch of young women skinny-dipping in his pond. He made the women aware of his presence and they all went to the deep end.

One of the women shouted to him, "We're not coming out until you leave!" The old man frowned, "I didn't come down here to watch you ladies swim naked or to make you get out of the pond naked."

Holding the bucket up he said, "I'm here to feed the alligator."

Some old men can still think fast.

This joke is credited to Mr. AE Bince, Korean veteran.

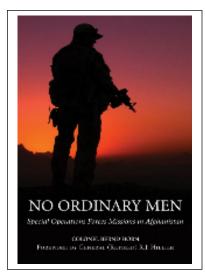


#### **CANADIAN MILITARY READING**

No Ordinary Men : Special Operations Forces Missions in Afghanistan

Bernd Horn & R J Hillier

In 2001 the Canadian government sent elements of the elite Joint Task Force 2 counter-terrorist unit to Afghanistan to assist the United States in its global war on terror in the country as part of Operation Enduring Freedom. Withdrawn a year later, after a brief hiatus, JTF 2 returned to Afghanistan in 2005 to once again assist the Americans with the desperate struggle in the shadows to



capture or kill Taliban leaders, facilitators, and bomb makers. "No Ordinary Men" peels back the cloak of secrecy and reveals four untold special operations that JTF 2 operators conducted in 2005--06 in which their courage, tenacity, and impressive capabilities meant the difference between life and death. The book takes the reader to the Taliban sanctuaries deep in the Afghan hinterlands and provides a glimpse of Canada's remarkable legacy in special operations. Moreover, the JTF 2 missions exposed confirm that Canada's special operations forces operators are truly no ordinary men.



#### The 2018 EUSI Symposium Program and Panel of Speakers

Program – Edmonton United Services Institute Symposium 0930, Saturday, September 22, 2018 at Her Majesty's Canadian Ship NONSUCH, 11807 Kingsway NW, Edmonton.

<u>The aim of the symposium</u> is to discuss Canada's policy/or lack of counter measures against targeted or accidental nuclear destruction of its environment, infra-structure, financial institutions, and people. The discussion is non-partisan and hopes to provoke further research and contribute to Canada's policy under nuclear attack or accidents.

The panel discussion hopes to examine historical nuclear threats and dependability on its allies; lessons learned from nuclear accidents in Ukraine and Japan; measures against or to minimize destruction of property and life; current nuclear powers in the world and threat implications; Canada's current policy to minimize destruction and protect property and life; and finally, offer a summary and recommendations.

#### **Time Table**

		Topic	speaker		
	0925 to 0930	President's welcoming remarks	Major (ret'd) Alex Tsang, President EUSI		
1	0930 to 0945	Introduction	Moderator, Mr. Laurie Hawn, CD, MP (ret'd)		
	Socio-politico, environmental and international trade impacts from nuclear				
	accidents; lessons identified and best practices for Canada				
2	0945 to 1015	Post mortem, Chernobyl nuclear accident, Pripyat, Ukraine, April 1986	Dr. David Marples Chair of the Department of History and Classics, University of Alberta		
3	1015 to 1045	Post mortem, Fukushima Daiichi nuclear accident, Ōkuma, Japan, March 2011	Dr. Aya Fujiwara, Director of the Prince Takamado Japan Centre for Teaching and Research, University of Alberta		
	1045 to 1100	Coffee / tea			
4	1100 to 1130	Canada's historical counter measures against nuclear threats	Mr. Norm Leach President, Norman Leach & Associates, Inc., specializing in Integrated Business Consulting and International Trade Development		
5	1130 to 1215	Analysis of projected impact of nuclear accidents of Canadian land and marine environments, financial institutions and civil-military infrastructures that could arise from nuclear incidents, and extant and possible counter measures	Dr. Christian Leuprecht, Department of Political Science, Royal Military College		
	1215 to 1300	Lunch			
	Canada's	sovereign nuclear defence and intern	_		
		and obligation	<u>ıs</u>		
6	1300 to 1330	Canadian current nuclear defence policy and practice; a critique	Mr. James Bezan, MP, Defence Critic, Conservative Party of Canada		
7	1330 to 1400	The 10 nuclear powers; capacities and obligations	Joe Howard, PhD candidate / Consultant to UN		

8	1400 to 1430	Summary of presentations	Dr. Rob Huebert, Senior Fellow, Centre for Military and Strategic Studies, University of Calgary
	1430	Symposium closing remarks	Major (ret'd) Alex Tsang, President EUSI
9	1830 for 1900	EUSI Presidential Dinner – Keynote Speaker is Mr. James Bezan	All RSVP guests



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IT IS TOO LATE TO SHARPEN SWORDS, WHEN THE DRUMS OF WAR ARE BEATING

RSVP for the SYMPOSIUM and Presidential Mess Dinner are attach4d below. Your quick response is appreciated.



Maj (ret) Alexander H. Tsang CD, President

And the Board of Governors of

The Edmonton United Services Institute

Requests the Pleasure of Your Company with Guests at

# The 2018 Presidential Mess Dinner

To be held at

HMCS NONSUCH

11807 - Kingsway Edmonton, Alberta 6:00 P.M. for 6:30 P.M.

Saturday, 22 September, 2018

**DRESS:** Mess Kit

Black Tie with Miniatures

Business attire with Medal

TARIFF: \$110.00 PER PERSON

RSVP: with Cheque payable to EUSI by 12 September

2018. Mail to: 11035 – 163 Avenue NW, Edmonton, Alberta

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# **RSVP**

Name:	Rank/Title:	Organization
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THE 2018 EUSI Presidenti	al Mess Dinner	
My Guest/s are:		
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Enclosed is my cheque for	\$110.00 x persons = \$	
Made payable to: EUSI.		

Mail to: Major Alexander H. Tsang, 11035 – 163 Avenue, Edmonton, Alberta T5X 2A2

TO BE RECEIVED BY: 10 September 2018 Ph: 780.456-3392

### **INVITATION To The Annual Symposium and RSVP**



Maj (ret) Alexander H. Tsang CD, President

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Requests the Pleasure of Your Company at the 2018 Annual EUSI Symposium

To Be Held at

**HMCS NONSUCH** 

11807 - Kingsway Edmonton, Alberta

From 0930 hours to 1430 Hours

On Saturday, 22 September, 2018

C	OST - Free Admission with Lunch Provided		
		RSVP to Maj(ret'd)	
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