

CF recognizes civilian employers, educators

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The CF is always pleased and proud to recognize the support offered to Reserve Force personnel by their employers and schools.

The 2007 CF Liaison Council (CFLC) Reserve Force Employer Support Program awards ceremony, held June 9 in Ottawa, saw 17 companies, schools and other institutions from throughout Canada applauded for their willingness to accommodate their Reserve Force employees' or students' training, participation in exercises, and deployments.

National Chair of the CFLC Mr. John Craig Eaton and Vice Chief of the Defence Staff Lieutenant-General Walter Natynczyk presented the awards during a ceremony in the NDHQ Concourse.

National Award recipients

- Most Supportive Employer in Canada: **Bell Aliant**
- Support to CF Operations – International: **Vancouver Police Department**
- Support to CF Operations – Domestic: **VanOostrum Farm Equipment Ltd.**
- Special Award for Support to the Reserve Force: **Retail Wholesale and Department Store Union**
- Special Award for Support to the Reserve Force: **London, Ont. International Airport**
- Support to Student Reservists: **Université du Québec**

- Special Award for Support to the Reserve Force: **The Government of Nova Scotia**

Provincial Award recipients (Most Supportive Employer)

- British Columbia: **Lewkowich Geotechnical Engineering Ltd.**
- Alberta: **Ideaca Knowledge Services Ltd.**
- Saskatchewan: **Saskatoon Co-operative Association**
- Manitoba: **Simplot Canada II**
- Ontario: **WestJet**
- Québec: **Coopérative des techniciens ambulanciers du Québec**
- New Brunswick: **City of Moncton – Moncton Fire Department**
- Nova Scotia: **Chignecto-Central Regional School Board, Bible Hill Central Elementary School**
- Prince Edward Island: **PEI Area Department of Fisheries and Oceans, Conservation and Protection**
- Newfoundland and Labrador: **Bell Aliant**

The national awards are presented every second year; provincial award ceremonies take place annually.

➤ Learn more about the CF Liaison Council at www.cflc.forces.gc.ca/general/intro_e.asp. ♦



SGT ROXANNE CLOWE, COMBAT CAMERA

KANDAHAR AIR FIELD—Cpl Dan Hutchings, a Reservist with the Halifax-based Princess Louise Fusiliers, circuit-tests a smoke/grenade launcher on a Bison vehicle at the maintenance compound in Kandahar. Cpl Hutchings, a Weapons Technician originally from Corner Brook, Newfoundland and Labrador, is serving a six-month tour in Afghanistan on Operation ATHENA.

CFLC seeks nominations for 2009 national awards

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If you are a Primary Reservist whose civilian employer or educational institution has been very supportive of your training, exercise or deployment schedules, now is the time to show your appreciation.

The CF Liaison Council (CFLC) is accepting nominations from Primary Reservists, Commanding Officers, CFLC Provin-



cial Committees and other DND agencies for the 2009 CFLC National Employer Support Awards.

CFLC national awards are given every two years to recognize employers and educators throughout Canada who have "gone above and beyond the call of duty" when accommodating Reservists' commitments. All Canadian employers (in both the private and public sectors)

and educational institutions are eligible for the awards.

The CFLC also provides templates for letters of thanks and has certificates of recognition, either of which Reservists may give to their employers and educational institutions in recognition of their support.

➤ Visit www.cflc.forces.gc.ca/general/intro_e.asp for complete information about the nomination process, and

for letters and certificates of recognition and the procedure for presenting both.

➤ Contact CFLC by email at cflc@forces.gc.ca, by telephone at 1-800-567-9908, by FAX at 613-996-1618, or by mail at **Executive Director, Canadian Forces Liaison Council, National Defence Headquarters, 101 Colonel By Dr., Ottawa ON, K1A 0K2**. ♦

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Digital Archive, housing the oral histories and artefacts of more than 1000 personnel and veterans, complements the Speaker's Bureau.

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