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# 2010 EFFECTIVE SPEAKING COMPETITION





2010 Effective Speaking Competitors

The 2010 Manitoba Effective Speaking Competition was held on Sunday February 21 in Building 135 on 17 Wing Winnipeg.

Fourteen Air Cadets from seven Manitoba squadrons participated in the competition and received the Silver Effective Speaking Participant pin from Manitoba League's Vice-chairperson Pat McDonald. Judges were furnished by the Toast Masters Club with other officials provided by the Air Cadet League; many parents and friends attended the events. The following cadets received medals for their performance:

- Gold Medal Flight Sergeant Gurkamal Dhillon, 170 RCACS;
- **Silver Medal** Flight Sergeant David Kusa, 177 RCACS; and
- **Bronze Medal** Flight Sergeant Brennan Massey, 177 RCACS.

Flight Sergeant Dhillon will represent Manitoba at the National Competition to be held in Regina in June.

# **2010 GOLDEN FALCON COMPETITION**

The 2010 Golden Falcon Competition will be held in Stonewall, MB on May 21-24, 2010.

The Golden Falcon Competition was initiated as a provincial activity in 1991 to celebrate the fiftieth Anniversary of the Air Cadet League of Canada. The competition has been held each year in various communities throughout Manitoba except when cancelled in 1997 for the flood and 2009 for logistical reasons.

The twenty cadets from each squadron will be paired with another squadron to form a flight for Golden Falcon. The twenty cadets from each squadron will be paired with another squadron to form a flight for Golden Falcon.

The traditional Air Force Wing Parade on the Sunday will incorporate a Commemoration of three of Manitoba's Victoria Cross recipients – William Barker, Alan McLeod and Andrew Mynarski.

Many elected officials, educational authorities and media personalities have been invited for an informal walk about to observe the cadets in action. If you know anyone who would like to arrange a walk about please contact a board member.



# ARISTOTLE JOHN (TELLY) MERCURY, Q.C



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It is with great sadness that we advise the passing of Member of the Board of Directors and Legal Advisor Aristotle (Telly) Mercury, QC.

Telly died peacefully at the Health Sciences Centre on February 22, 2010 after a happy and successful life. He leaves his wife of 40 years, Nancy, sons John Paul, Jamie (Kim), Mark, grandson Aris, brother Michael (Maria), sister Catherine Roussalis (Louis), his mother Evangeline and many nieces and nephews. Telly was predeceased by his father John Mercury.

Telly was born on September 2, 1934 in Winnipeg. A graduate of the University of Manitoba Law School, Telly articled with the law firm of Campbell and Haig and received his Bachelor of Laws Degree with Honours in 1960, being the year of his call to the Bar. He continued his practice with Lorne Campbell, Q.C. and became a partner of the firm known as Campbell and Mercury. In 1964, the firm merged with the Aikins, MacAulay firm where he continued the practice of law until his recent illness.

Besides being a gifted corporate lawyer, his outstanding people skills made him a successful negotiator. He was the legal expert to whom the late Ben Hatskin turned in order to break the N.H.L. monopoly on professional hockey and to establish the World Hockey Association (WHA). It was Telly who concluded the million dollar deal with the Golden Jet, Bobby Hull, to bring him to the Winnipeg Jets.

As General Counsel to both the Winnipeg Jets Hockey Club and the WHA he oversaw the establishment of various hockey franchises in Canada and the United States. Telly was very active in the legal community. He was President of the Manitoba Bar Association in 1977 - 1978, a member of the Bar Planning Committee in 1979 - 1980, and a past Provincial Chairman of the Judicial Appointments Committee. He was appointed Queen's Counsel in 1983.

Telly served his community in many other ways. He was a director of the Hong Kong-Canada Business Association, a board member of the Air Cadet League of Canada (Manitoba) (1999-2010), a member of The Royal Canadian Legion Branch 182 (Gimli) and of the Deer Lodge Centre Foundation. He incorporated the Hellenic Greek Orthodox Church of Winnipeg, served as its General Counsel and was a member of the board for many years. Telly was also the Chairman of the legal committee and General Counsel of Judo Canada. Telly proudly held a 5th degree black belt in Judo, was a former Manitoba Black Belt Champion and represented Manitoba seven consecutive times in the Canadian National Judo Championships.

Known as the General by many of his close friends, Telly will be fondly remembered for his unpretentious, easy going, yet highly principled approach to life. There was never a person for whom he would not make time, and seldom a problem from which he would shy away. His friends, his colleagues, his clients and, most important, his family, were everything to Telly. His professional and athletic accomplishments pale in comparison to what he brought to the lives of his wife and children. Telly was, in a word, *PHILOTIMOS* which in Greek means a man of honour and compassion. Simply put, he had nobility of character.

Telly was an ex-air cadet and joined the Board of Directors of the Manitoba Provincial Committee in 1999. He had been the Boards Legal Advisor until his passing. He was active with the Fund Raising Committee and was the Liaison Member to 182 RCACS in Gimli. He will be greatly missed.



## ACL (MB)2010 Electronics Extravaganza Raffle

The Air Cadet League of Canada (Manitoba) Inc. has organized a raffle to facilitate fundraising by Squadron Sponsoring Committees. All sales income will be shared by participating squadrons on a pro rated basis less operating expenses.

Thirty thousand tickets are available for sale. The potential total sale is \$60,000 to be shared. There are ten tickets per book. So think of selling a book of 10 tickets for \$20 or five tickets for \$10 or a single ticket for \$2.

The books of tickets issued are in bundles of 25 books (\$500 per bundle). The raffle committee will provide bundles of ticket books to the Sponsor Liaisons who in turn will issue them to their respective Squadron Sponsoring Committees. Additional bundles of tickets will be available to the Squadron Sponsoring Committees from the Sponsor Liaisons. Sponsor Liaisons will be able to pick up additional bundles of books for their squadrons at the monthly board meeting.

To ensure proper and responsible treatment for the tickets, tracking details must be recorded to know the whereabouts of the tickets.

Draw Dates: March 15, April 19, May 17, June 14, 2010 - 6:30 p.m. Prizes:

March 15 - Apple iPod Nano 8GB Retail Value \$169.00 April 19 - Apple iPod Nano 16GB Retail Value \$199.00

May 17 - Apple iPod Classic 160GB Retail Value \$279.00 June 14

- Yamaha iPod Speaker Dock Retail Value \$379.00

- B&W Zeppelin Mini iPod Speaker Dock Retail Value 429.00

- Sony W270B Digital Camera Retail Value \$279.00
- Sony Home Theatre In A Box Retail Value \$427.00
- Compaq 110C Netbook Retail Value \$270.00

- Toshiba NB200 Netbook Blu Retail Value \$480.00

All payments from Squadron Sponsoring Committees to the Air Cadet League of Canada (Manitoba) Inc. for ticket sales must be by cheque to establish an audit trail.

The Squadron Sponsoring Committee is liable for the dollar value of all tickets issued to them.

**Incentive #1** – Each squadron is eligible for a bonus payment of \$100 if they sold a winning ticket and have a fully completed Ticket Tracking Detail sheet to confirm it was their ticket.

**Incentive #2** – For the Early Bird Draws on March 15, April 19 and May 17 a bonus draw for \$100 will be held for advance sales – one chance for every ten books sold.

## Manitoba Air Cadet Homecoming Gala Dinner

The Air Cadet League of Canada (Manitoba) Inc. will hold its Manitoba Air Cadet Homecoming Gala Dinner on Saturday May 8, 2010 at the Marlborough Hotel.

This is the League's second annual fundraising dinner in Winnipeg's most spectacular Skyview Ballroom. Last year, the record attendance at the dinner and the auction items from Advance Electronics and Peerless Garments funded ten major awards, bursaries and scholarships. The five course dinner prepared by the Marlborough Hotel was rated one of the best on the fundraising circuit by many of the guests.

The Guest of Honour is Fred Penner, who was appointed Honorary Air Marshall by the Air Cadet League of Canada (Manitoba) Inc. in 2009 joining General Walter Natynczyk who was appointed in 2008.

The menu includes tomato and basil bisque, California salad, salmon served with pesto cream sauce, grilled lemon chicken breast, fresh asparagus, honey dill baby carrots, oven roast chateau potato, tiramisu, Trebbiano white wine and Chiraz red wine.

The evening will start at 5:00 p.m. with static displays of the rich history of Air Cadets in Manitoba. Every squadron that wishes space to share their memories will be accommodated. The meet and greet starts at 6:00 p.m. Dinner will be served at 7:00 p.m. The live auction will follow dinner.

Tickets are \$80.00 (with a \$30.00 tax receipt) and are available from a board member or by telephoning 1-888-671-0841.

#### **Puns International**

A woman has twins and gives them up for adoption. One of them goes to a family in Egypt and is named "Ahmal." The other goes to a family in Spain; they name him "Juan." Years later, Juan sends a picture of himself to his birth mother. Upon receiving the picture, she tells her husband that she wishes she also had a picture of Ahmal. Her husband responds, "They're twins! If you've seen Juan, you've seen Ahmal."



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### AIR CADET SCHOLARSHIPS

Squadron staff and cadet parents are directed to the Scholarships and Bursaries page of the Manitoba Air Cadet League web site at www.aircadetmanitoba.com/sholarships.html for information on awards available to Manitoba air cadets.

Application dates are approaching and it is now timely to begin developing your documents. Several thousands of dollars are available to Manitoba Air Cadets that qualify.

#### 2010 SUMMER TRAINING SELECTIONS

The 2010 Summer Training Selection Boards were held on 17 Wing Winnipeg on February 20, 2010. Boards were held for prospective candidates of the International Air Cadet Exchange Program, the Senior Leaders Course, the Power Pilot Course and the Glider Pilots Course.

Five separate boards interviewed the Air Cadets for the available positions at next summer's training. As usual the standard of candidates was high and those who are selected may be very proud of their accomplishment.

# **NEW BADGE FOR** 6 (Jim Whitecross) RCACS



### UPCOMING AIR CADET AND LEAGUE EVENTS

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- First Draw 2010 Electronics Extravaganza Raffle March 15, 2010 at 283 ANAVETS, Winnipeg
- Second Draw 2010 Electronics Extravaganza Raffle April 19, 2010 at 283 ANAVETS, Winnipeg .
- Manitoba Air Cadet Home Coming Gala Dinner May 8, 2010 at Marlborough Hotel Winnipeg, MB
- Third Draw 2010 Electronics Extravaganza Raffle May 17, 2010 at 283 ANAVETS, Winnipeg •
- 2010 Golden Falcon Competition May 21-24, 2010 at Stonewall, MB
- First Annual Bugle Competition May 23, 2010 at Stonewall, MB
- Final Draw 2010 Electronics Extravaganza Raffle June 14, 2010 at 283 ANAVETS, Winnipeg
- 2010 Hubbell Awards Dinner September 11, 2010 at 17 Wing Winnipeg, MB
- Manitoba Air Cadet League Annual General Meeting October 16-17, 2010 at TBA

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