

EDITOR'S CORNER

Welcome to the Autumn 2013 edition of the *Canadian Military Journal*. As I pen these words, we are actually still enjoying summer in the 'Great Green North,' but inevitably, this too shall change.

Quite an eclectic issue this time out, and since we have an unusually high (and welcome) number of 'Views and Opinions' pieces, I have been obliged to restrict the number of major articles to four in order to minimize our individual mail-out rate charges in accordance with Canada Post's relatively-recent tariff increases with respect to the new weight guidelines.

We have two articles dealing with ethics and the military in the issue. 'Taking the point,' Peter Bradley and Shaun Tymchuk chose as their mandate to raise consideration of "...ethical risk analysis, the process by which [one] can assess their organization's vulnerability to wrongdoing and to respond appropriately when misconduct occurs." After exploring the subject thoroughly, the authors very refreshingly make a number of useful specific recommendations with respect to the assessment of ethical risk, many of which are rather readily available to our military. Next, from 'south of the border,' retired USAF Lieutenant Colonel Dan McCauley, now an assistant professor of national security strategy and theatre campaign planning at the US Joint Forces Staff College, discusses moral leadership from the American perspective, and how it affects mission command. "This article posits that to achieve trust, one must begin with an understanding of values – its origins and development, and the effects of multiculturalism."

Lieutenant-Colonel (ret'd) Chantal Fraser then explores the world of diversity recruiting, contending that it is very important that the personnel serving Canada's armed forces reflect the demographics of the Canadian population-at-large. She opines that, given our shifting demographics, "...the Canadian military *can* and *must* significantly increase the percentage of women, visible minorities, and Aboriginal peoples who serve their country in uniform." Rounding out the last of our major articles, the Canadian Defence Academy's own Lieutenant-Colonel (ret'd) Bill Bentley takes a fresh look at the military philosophy of Carl von Clausewitz, with a specific attempt to provide "...a clear understanding of the relationship between the thought of Carl von Clausewitz and German Romanticism," and how a grasp of this relationship, "...greatly enhances our understanding of how this Prussian military thinker constructed his unique theory of war, and what he meant by it."

As promised, we have an inordinate number of opinion pieces in this issue. Adam Chapnick, Deputy Director of Education at the Canadian Forces College in Toronto, leads with a compelling argument for the establishment of centres of teaching excellence in the military context throughout our armed forces. He is followed by Cullen Downey and Nick Deshpande, who make a strong case for the revitalization of our army's patrol pathfinder capabilities. Then, the distinguished academic Robert Jay Glickman, currently a Professor Emeritus in the Department of Spanish and Portuguese at the University of Toronto, focuses upon this era of rapid change in which we live, then discusses the ways in which these changes affect "...recruitment, deference to authority and training. " Glickman then makes a suggestion, "...with respect to the acquisition of innovations that can increase the military's institutional and operational effectiveness."

Garrett Lawless, an air mobility pilot with the CAF currently serving as a Military Assistant to the Minister of National Defence, then offers, given that in the age in which we live, classical war is either dead or the human race is doomed, war in this age of economic globalization "...is also prohibitively bad for business, and the new requirement for a stable and lasting peace is the provision to all humans of a future worth living for." Captain Pascal Lévesque, a military lawyer, then draws an interesting comparison between the Canadian and the American military justice systems. Finally, Lieutenant-Colonel Debbie Miller, the Senior Staff Officer for Strategic Planning at the Canadian Defence Academy in Kingston, sings the virtues of Individual Training and Education (IT&E) modernization for the Canadian Armed Forces, and argues that "...IT&E Modernization will meet operational requirements by creating a modern, agile, integrated learning environment with global access that empowers Canadian Armed Forces personnel."

We then offer resident defence commentator Martin Shadwick's reflections upon search and rescue with respect to the Office of the Auditor General's report on the subject, and close with a number of book reviews to hopefully pique our readership's interests.

Until the next time.

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