



Honorary-Colonel Michael Shaw Proudly Presents

The 67th Grand Highland Military Ball

Honouring: Veterans of the Afghanistan Conflict

On Saturday the 27th of February, 2016

You and a Guest are cordially invited to join us for an evening of great food, dance, and military pageantry at the Hyatt Regency Hotel located at 7th Avenue & Centre Street SW, Calgary, Alberta.

Cocktails: 18:30 hrs
Dinner: 19:30 hrs
Tariff: \$150 per person incl. GST
Make cheques payable to CHRFF

Dress: Gentlemen: Mess Kit, Black Tie or Formal Highland Wear
Ladies: Mess Kit, Evening Gown
Decorations should be worn

Please RVSP by 12th of February, 2016 by one of the following:

Mail RSVP card and cheque to CHRFF, c/o LCol R Goebel, 1506 1100 8th Ave SW, Calgary AB T2P3T9

Email completed RSVP form to chrff@thecalgaryhighlanders.com

Online at <http://www.eventbrite.ca/e/the-grand-highland-military-ball-tickets-19487496627>

Please address questions to thecalgaryhighlanders@gmail.com.

Special Hotel Room Rate at the Hyatt

The Hyatt Regency has offered a special room rate of \$149 available to all guests of the Grand Highland Military Ball. This rate is based on availability so you are encouraged to book your room early. Guests wishing to make a reservation should visit <https://resweb.passkey.com/go/highlandmilitaryballguestrooms>.

Scottish Country Dance Instruction

For those who wish it, there will be Scottish Country Dancing instruction available on Thursdays 11th, 18th, and 25th of February 2016 at the Mewata Armoury Officer's Mess from 7 to 9PM. You may attend none, one, some, or all of these sessions. Please notify thecalgaryhighlanders@gmail.com at least one week prior to any session you may wish to attend.

Ball Sponsors and Patrons

Please consider becoming a Donor, Sponsor, Patron or Friend of this event! The Grand Highland Military Ball proudly raises money for The Calgary Highlanders Regimental Funds Foundation, which is a charitable, non-profit organization that supports the Regiment and its soldiers. Funds raised from the dinner go towards programs such as purchasing Highland ceremonial kit, supporting for Regimental celebrations and parades, subsidizing important projects preserving our history and heritage and much more.

This year, consider donating an extra \$150 to pay the General Admission for an Afghanistan Veteran.

A Friends gift of \$50.00 or more, Patron's gift of \$250 or more, a Sponsor's gift of \$500, or a Donor's gift of \$1250 or more will entitle you to a charitable tax receipt in the amount of your donation. You have the added bonus of having your name listed in our program.

Guests of Honour Veterans of the Afghanistan Conflict

The Calgary Highlanders deployed a total of 126 soldiers during the war in Afghanistan. All Reservists, they left their commitments in Calgary to serve their country and their Regiment proudly in a dangerous and complex theater of operations. Many saw combat first-hand and experienced the stress and trauma of complex combat operations. These "Citizen Soldiers" made this extraordinary contribution as part-time members of the Canadian Forces, making their commitment to peace and security of our nation even more extra-ordinary.

For their significant contribution to the campaign, the Government of Canada awarded the Theatre Honour "Afghanistan" to The Calgary Highlanders. This marks the 43rd Battle Honour bestowed upon the Regiment and is the only Battle Honour awarded since the Second World War. In order to receive the battle honour, a Reserve Unit had to have force generated at least 20% of their 2011 unit strength between 2001 and 2011.

On average, the deserving Reserve Units generated 30% of their 2011 strength. The Calgary Highlanders, however, generated a prolific 107% which was significantly more than any other Reserve Force unit in the Canadian Army.

For this unique accomplishment, The Calgary Highlanders were awarded the Canadian Forces Unit Commendation, marking the first Reserve infantry unit to receive this prestigious award. The CF Unit Commendation recognizes the unequalled contribution of The Calgary Highlanders to the War in Afghanistan as well as the unique relationship the unit maintained with civilian employers, permitting so many soldiers to perform military duty and return to their full-time vocations in the community.

From the citation:

"From 2001 to 2011, the Calgary Highlanders demonstrated outstanding dedication and sustained commitment towards the war in Afghanistan. The leadership and deployment culture within the unit, along with a unique outreach effort with civilian employers, contributed to their success. The exceptional collective effort of the Regiment is a direct reflection of its operational focus and has contributed to the Army commitment to Afghanistan. In so doing, the Calgary Highlanders has brought much credit to itself and the Canadian Armed Forces."

We are pleased to welcome and honour all veterans of the war in Afghanistan for their service and outstanding commitment to Canada.

RSVP Form

NAMES (please print)

Please make cheques payable to CHRFF and mail to:

Calgary Highlanders Regimental Funds Foundation
c/o LCol (Retd) Rick Goebel
1506 1100 8th Avenue SW
Calgary, AB T2P3T9

RANK: _____

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____

POSTAL CODE: _____

EMAIL ADDRESS: _____

Number in party	\$ _____
Ticket costs (Number in party x \$150)	\$ _____
Sponsor a veteran of Afghanistan \$150	\$ _____
Donation (Friend \$50, Patron \$250, Sponsor \$500 or Donor \$1250)	\$ _____
Total	\$ _____

Seat us with _____

or at an open table _____

Tables of 8 to 10 are available.

For dietary restrictions contact LCol (Ret'd) Rick Goebel at 403-261-6831 or
chrff@calgaryhighlanders.com