Schreiber man in Croatia



Corporal John Dugas repairs a shower door at the engineer camp in Sector North, Petrinja, Croatia. Dugas is a combat engineer with 1 Combat Engineer Regiment from Chilliwack, B.C. The regiment was deployed last month.

by Darren MacDonald
Staff

Schreiber resident John Dugas Sr. is anxiously awaiting his son's two week visit home from working in Europe.

Nothing unusual about that you might say, except that his son is stationed in Petrinja, Croatia, with the United Nations Protection Force.

"He's kind of in a hotspot," says Dugas Sr. "I don't think I would want to go there for a holiday."

Corporal John Dugas Jr. is a Combat Engineer with 1 Combat Engineer Regiment, which is serving a six-month peacekeeping tour in Croatia. They have been there for almost two months.

Not only is Dugas Jr. carry-

ing on the Canadian tradition of participating in peacekeeping missions instead of invasions, he's also carrying on a family tradition.

"I'm an old soldier myself," says Dugas Sr. "And I always kind of figured he would end up there too."

He says he's been impressed by the way the military has kept him informed about his youngest son.

"They've been really good," says Dugas Sr. "About every two weeks they call us up on the phone to see if we have any questions, and they send us newsletters about what the boys have been doing."

Although he hasn't talked to his son by telephone since he left, Dugas says he has

received letters from him.

"He says you can't help but feel sorry for the people there," says Dugas. "Especially now with winter coming on. In the town they're in right now, they've been without power or any sanitation facilities for over eight months.

"It's just terrible. People are living in the streets because the city is completely bombed out."

Dugas expects his son to arrive at the end of this month.

"He'll be home for two weeks, and then he'll head back," says Dugas.

Dugas has another son, Steve, who lives in Terrace Bay.

Dugas Sr. is a retired carpenter and he used to work at Minnova Mines. Now he operates a few small businesses.

Parent Advisory Committee

by Gerry Withers

The Parent/Community Advisory Committee's second meeting of this school year began with Mrs. Davey detailing the equipment which is being purchased under the Technological Education Initiative Program.

The items include a hitech weld trainer, ten "486" computers, a lap top computer, copies of a computerized drafting program called Auto Sketch, a Laserjet printer and a graphics program called Corel Draw.

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FUNERAL NOTICE

HALL - Baby boy, Alexander Clifford Lee at the McCausland Hospital, Terrace Bay, Wednesday, November 11, 1992. Alexander Hall beloved infant son of David and Cynthia Hall of Terrace Bay. Dear grandson of Elvin and Alberta Hall of Sundridge and Clarisa Wong of Toronto. A private family service for baby Alexander Hall was held at the Moore's Funeral Chapel, Sundridge on Friday, November 13, 1992. Interment at Chapman Cemetary.

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