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News of the 5th Battalion 7th Cavalry

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President's Report

By Ted Swett

Garry Owen, Troopers!

It is a bit late to wish you Happy New Year, but with Reunion V coming up in less than five months, my hope is that the year 2000 will provide good and special feelings for you, and that our gathering in Nashville will be one of your most meaningful memories ever. My impression is that we can expect something over 400 attendees, including families.

Thanks to Wes Westmoreland, Ed Perry, Duke Frey and others, 5/7 Cav troopers who were not aware of our Association until recently have become quite interested in being with us in Nashville. If you are in this category, I suspect that you may have some of the same concerns that all of us had before attending our first reunion of the battalion; however, after attending Reunion V, I know that you will be tremendously glad that you did so.

In our nearly eight years of publis hing AIR MOBILE I have never seen a greater reaction to its articles than the correspondence, both via e-mail and

"snail mail," which has resulted from articles by Don Maxwell and Dan Watson on Post Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD) in our December 1999 issue.

I am honored that several troopers have contacted me about their PTSD, and I know that others have contacted Wes, Don and Dan about it.

Stimulated by the reaction, "Papa Doc," our Veterans Affairs Advisor, is arranging significant Department of Veterans Affairs (DVA) and Disabled American Veterans (DAV) support at Reunion V for our troopers who are, or may be, suffering from PTSD.

I salute both Don and Dan for having the courage to bring this devastating disease out in the open. The DVA and the DAV are intensifying their efforts to help Vietnam veterans who have PTSD. National interest in the disease is growing

Perhaps you saw ABC's coverage on PTSD on its 20/20 feature last November. If you think any of this is pertinent to your own situation, it is another reason for you to plan to be with us in Nashville this July.

The guest speaker at our Reunion V

banquet will be retired General Barry R. McCaffrey. Currently the Director of the United States Office of National Drug Control Policy, General McCaffrey, a Garry Owen trooper, was a Company Commander in the 2d Bn, 7th Cav in 1968 in Vietnam. Our speaker at Reunion IV, author and newsman Joe Galloway, a veteran of the Ia Drang Valley campaign in 1965, says that General McCaffrey is as inspiring a speaker as we will ever hear.

This issue of AIR MOBILE is full of Reunion V information. Please read it carefully. Don't delay any longer in making plans to be with us. Bring the family and make a week in Nashville be your vacation for 2000! I am looking forward to being with you.

Garry Owen, Ted



Nashville Here We Come!

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Mailing Label...

Remember to check the mailing label on the **AIR MOBILE** It has information about you. If you see that it is incorrect please let George Hannaford know. Also, we would ask for any of you who can afford it to keep your dues paid up.

Company and year you were in Vietnam.

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Dues paid thru.

Something for everyone...

If you have something that you would like in the newsletter, please drop us a line. We will try to get all of your comments, ads, or other remarks that you have to offer in the newsletter.

As for advertising, we will try to put your product in the newsletter also. There are times when space is very limited and so this cannot always be done but we will make every effort to help all members of this Association. We know that a lot of you are in business for yourself and if we can we will try and help.



Army Records? How to Get the Copies You Need!

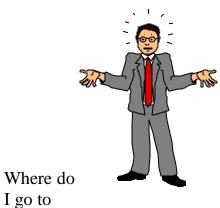
Do you want or need a copy of your DD214, medical records, 201 file, or a complete copy of all your military records? The National Personnel Record Center located in St. Louis, MO. is the place you need to write to: NPRC MPR, 9700 Page Boulevard, St. Louis, MO 63132.

When you were completely discharged from your military service your record was sent there for storage. *They are waiting for you to write and request a copy.* There is a large backlog of requests so it could take some time.

When you request copies of your records also ask for copies of your orders (Purple Heart, Bronze Star, Silver Star, Army Commendation Medal, CIB, Travel orders, anything with other 5/7 Cav names on it. (Almost all orders were written with other names and information on them.) WE CAN'T FIND YOUR BUDDIES IF WE DON'T KNOW THEIR NAMES.

To request a copy of your military records fill out a SF180 and mail it to the record center. Your records will be mailed to you direct from the record center. I can't tell you how long it will take, because it depends on what you request and where your records are. Any questions please fill free to call or Email me: 227-9148 or Cav57@aol.com (put Garry Owen in the subject because I don't read my junk mail)

Ed Perry 922 Cleta Dr. St Louis, MO 63021



I go to Get my Army Records?

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Vice President's Report

By Wes Westmoreland

Thanks to all of you for your past support and generosity this association is in the best shape ever. When it comes to the area of finances we are on solid ground. For proof, see the financial secretary's report.

When it comes to locating past members of the 5-7th Cav we are doing so at the average of four to five per week, many of them are locating us through our on line web site, "http:// www.naples.net/presents/7thcav/a 5-7cav.htm"

We are now six months ahead of schedule on locating troops. Our mission was to have found 1300 by the time of reunion V. We now have over 1300 good addresses making this the biggest and the best battalion size association to come out of the Vietnam War. There is no other battalion size association that comes even close to the numbers of members found or atending our bi-annual reunions.

At the last reunion, many of you know there were 500 plus who had a great time. I have told you the above again because Reunion V is now less than six months away. So its time to make your hotel reservations by calling 1-800-770-0555 then fill out the enclosed registration form and mail it into the financial secretary.

Reunion V official events start on Thursday July 6th, and continue through Saturday the 8th. The schedule is a full. On Wednesday, July 5 we will have an informal icebreaker evening, with free pizza. Friday evening is the battalion dinner. Saturday morning our most important event our memorial service to honor our real heroes, almost 300 brothers, we lost while they were serving their country during the Vietnam War. (August 1966 through May 1971)

After the memorial service in the early evening hours we have the bar-bque. Therefore I recommend if you

would like to get in some site seeing, you should come early.

There is much to see and hear in Nashville, TN. I have been told the weather can be very hot so pack light. Don't forget to mention that you are calling for the special 5/7 Cav rates for the week of \$79.00 per night. That rate is good for the entire week.

If you have any questions on the above please contact me by mail. 5749 Stoddard Hayes Road, Farmdale, Ohio 44417 or by phone: (330) 924-5605 or by e-mail Boldeagle7@AOL.com.

In signing off, let me say that the association members have spent hundreds of hours and more than a few dollars to get his association to the point where we can say without hesitation "you are a member of the best battalion Association to come out of the Vietnam War. So now it's your time to assist, by joining us at reunion five. So please send in your registration form and plan on attending the reunion in Nashville.

Until the next newsletter, take care and keep in touch.

Wes



A Friend

As I heard the bugler softly playing taps, I knew that once again I had lost a friend today. It matters not the name, rank or branch of service, that is not important.

This friend may have served in the trenches of France, on the beaches at Dunkirk, in the mountains of Korea or the jungles of Viet Nam. He may have been sleeping in a barracks at Beirut, or fighting on the island of Grenada, in Panama, in the sands of Saudi Arabia or served within the reserve forces at home. Whatever his or her service, this friend served our great nation when called upon.

Whether serving as a Soldier, Marine, Sailor, Airman or Coast Guardsman, we share a common bond. We fight to keep this and other nations of the world free. Yes, we struggled and many times shed blood or life for what we believe in, but that is the price that must be paid for what we have today.

So when you hear the lone bugler sounding taps, just stop for a minute and think about the friend it is being played for. Do not feel sad at the sound, but think of the comforting words behind it: Day is Done, Gone the Sun, From the Hills, From the Plains, From the Sky, All is Well, Safely Rest, God is Nigh. This friend is now in Gods hands.

MSG Joseph Yeater

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Communications Corner

By Duke Frey

Veterans Advisor

By Papa Doc Maxwell

Aloha from the Islands! As I'm sure most of you are, I am anxiously looking forward to July and our Reunion V in Nashville. As the time draws near the fever of anticipation grows with the thought of reuniting with special friends. John Long had a great idea for Air Mobile, regarding listing the names of Troopers and their families who have already made a commitment to attend. Jerry Houston is compiling a list of these names from reservations received at his end, which should be in this Air Mobile. Since the next Air Mobile (June Issue) will not be out until just before the reunion we can continue this effort through bi-weekly updates from my end, through e-mail, for those on e-mail. So if you plan on going and want your buddies to know and if you are on email and you plan to attend, send me your names. My email address is HawaiiDuke@aol.com. I will develop a master list for each company, which I will ensure is on our web site (http://www.naples.net/presents/7thcav/a 5-7cav. htm). I will then update and send bi-weekly until our July reunion.

I am still working on the ongoing task of updating each Company's master e-mail list. From my last e-mail mailing, the latest addressees that bounced are listed at then end of this article. So if you see your e-mail address below, please send me an update (HawaiiDuke@aol.com).

For all other Troopers, if you are on email and would like to ensure you are on your company's master e-mail list, send me your e-mail address. Last, but not least, a reminder to check our web sites http://www.naples.net/ presents/7thcav/a_5-7cav.htm. The secret password is "garryowen", all one word in lower case. Also check out Allen Patrick's test web site http://people.mw.mediaone.net/ apatrick. No password is required for this site.

See you in Nashville!!

Garry Owen,

Duke

Below are the E-Mails that bounced. Send me your latest correct address.

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Since my last article my world or home has been a scene of happiness, sadness, despair, and in reality renewal.

Happiness: I have a second grandson. I went to his baptism in a Catholic Church in St. Louis and it was a renewal of faith. My youngest daughter has blessed me more than she knows.

Sadness: I finally realized I am not the man I was in 67-68 (even though I was 28 then). I have fought cancer, heart trouble, and arthritis, which I know is a losing battle. Even the heating pad seems worn out. My mind has been, and always will be, that of a soldier. As a Medic I wished I hadn't seen all that I did.

I have read and re-read Col. Bernard E. Grady's book "On The Tigers Back". A lot hit home. He talked of accompanying Father Waddle (Catholic) to 15th Med to identify remains. When I was in the rear I did this regularly. Those Black Bags are my most haunting nightmare.

They say America needs heroes, that black granite wall depicts some of the finest we have. Some relish characters such as Jesse James (my hometown) and Butch Cassidy & the Sundance Kid. No, I have a better idea; I won't lead off with our Medal of Honor awardees. I start off with Bernie Grady (guts to write a book), Colonel Swett, Duke Frey, Jerry Houston, Wes Westmoreland, Capt. Hitti, Bob Greenwood, Bill "Greek" Koutrouba, S/Maj McQuerry, General (then Colonel) Vaught (favorite expression "shoot the bastard if he stands up again), Don Shipley, Jasper Catanzaro, Willie Mercer, Larry Budge, Jim Harmon, on and on.

If you really need a hero, bring yourself, your spouse, and your children to Nashville. Many of the above may not be able to sing, but they are my heroes and I hope they will be there in Nashville.

I have tentatively requested the Nashville VA Regional Office to assist us. I have talked to Randy Ammons who is their liaison officer and I must add extremely happy he could help us in any way he could. We covered one hour of subjects on the phone. He suggested six (6) Disabled American Veterans advisors be present at the reunion plus a civilian triage team for PTSD. All, repeat all, want to be helpful. If I do get this together to help those who haven't climbed the mountain, be there, I can't promise anything. I can only try.

Despair: Over the last month I received numerous calls for help and advice. Colonel Swett and Wes Westmoreland have come to my assistance. To hear the pain and the tragedy some have lived through has almost crippled my spirit and soul. Uplifting was their vocal expression when they ended the conversation. Thanks PaPa Doc, Ga rry Owen Sir! Can you ask for more? To my friend and mentor CSM Wes Westmoreland, yes there is an award above C.I.B. and C.M. B. it is called "**RESPECT**" plain and simple.

Garry Owen,

Papa Doc

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Regimental Tie

Troopers, we've been able to arrange for a special order of 7th Cavalry Regimental ties that come in a tartan design unique to the 7th Cavalry. The Regimental Pipe and Drum Band, organized by SSG Robert J. Scroggie in late 1954 at camp Haugen, Japan designed the tartan pattern. The tartan colors are dark blue and yellow to represent the U.S. Cavalry, light blue to signify the present day infantry role in the cavalry, red for action and white for honor. The 7th Cavalry Regiment is the only American Unit that has a registered tartan.

Total cost is \$25.00 per tie. The price includes shipping and handling plus a small profit for the association.

To make this offer available to our troopers we need a minimum order of 50 and so far we have 27 on request. To order your tie, send me your name and address, number of ties you want and a check made out to The 5th Battalion 7th Cavalry Association to the following address:

7th Cavalry Ties C/O Patrick H. Dockery * 4728 Parkside Drive Baltimore, MD 21206-6841

Remember we need a minimum of fifty orders to make the initial order. If we don't reach the minimum we will return the orders and your checks. Each tie comes with a label on the back that reads: "The 7th Cavalry Regiment 1866 And the Legend lives On.

Be proud, wear the tartan of the 7^{th} Cavalry Regiment and "the legend lives on"!

To order items shown in the PX columns on the left send a list of the items you want with a check to:

The Financial Secretary 5-7 Association PO Box 681504 Franklin, TN 37068-1504

Financial Secretary's Report

By Jerry Houston

We are well on our way to having another great reunion. Remember to call the group sales office at the Airport Marriott in Nashville 800-770-0555. Make sure you mention that you are with the 5th Battalion 7th Cavalry Reunion July 2-9.

Please remember to let me know how you would like your funds disbursed. This is especially important if your check should be split between Registration, member fees, Reunion V and donations. If you do not indicate how to disburse the funds, my rule of thumb is to apply funds to current years member fee first. I then go back to previous unpaid member fees. If I do not get any other instructions, I apply the remainder as a donation. Please go over the financial report. Just let me know if you find something that seems to be in error. I have found as the years go by I may make a mistake or two.

My mailing address is:

5th Battalion 7th Cavalry Assoc. PO Box 681504 Franklin, TN 37068-1504

Garry Owen,

Jerry Houston

BALANCE (02/15/00)	15,780.92
Disbursements	
Newsletter	-314.18
Newsletter Postage	-175.60
Memorial Day Wreath	-165.95
Other Expenses	-110.15
Purchase PX Items	-1873.40
Total Disbursements	-2639.28

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Reunion V: Your Guide to Events in Nashville

By Jerry Houston

Reunion V is only four months away. There are over 75 members and 75 guests registered which is ahead of the same time for our last reunion. Reunion V will be Sunday July 2, through Saturday July 8, 2000. It is being held at the Airport Marriott in Nashville, TN.

It is important that you make your reservations at the hotel early. The association rate will only be good until June 2, 2000. If you register after that date you will have to pay the full room price. There has also been some trouble with the phone number. The right number is:

1-800-770-0555

No other number will work for the group rate. So don't try.

There is free shuttle service from the airport to the hotel. It runs every 20 minutes: 10 minutes to the hour, ten minutes after and 30 minutes after.

The Reunion V major events will be Thursday, Friday and Saturday July 6, 7 and 8. If you can only make a small part of the reunion these are the dates that you should try to attend.

The main event is the Friday night banquet and will have the largest attendance of any event. The other event attended by nearly everyone is the Saturday morning Memorial service. Our plans are to have the service at one of the Tennessee State Capital memorials downtown.

Thursday night we are planning a bus trip to downtown Nashville to take in some of the nightlife.

Thursday and Friday mornings are when we have our business meetings and election of officers.

The last event of the reunion will be our Saturday evening country style barb-que outside in a picnic area behind the hotel. This is a time to really relax and say good-by until the next reunion.

The first part of the week is a time to get together, see the sights and relax. We will open registration on Sunday afternoon the 2^{nd} of July.

Monday will be the first day that things will start to happen. Each day,

beginning Monday, we will open a hospitality suite from around 0800 until it closes sometime around 2400.

We will have coffee, donuts and orange juice for breakfast; sandwiches and chips for lunch; and a full range of beverages. It will be an open bar with donations accepted to help defray the cost.

The registration office and information center will be open each day from around 08:00 until around 2000 in the evening. The memorabilia room will be open about the same hours.

There will also be a PX open early in the week. We are looking to have a few new items in the PX to include a nice polo shirt with the Garry Owen crest.

Sunday through Wednesday you will be on your own. We will be offering events that you may choose to join in with but they are not official parts of the reunion.

On Monday night we will offer an opportunity to take a ride on the Cumberland River on a paddle wheeler showboat named the General Jackson. It takes a one-hour trip down the Cumberland River to downtown Nashville, turns around and comes back up the river. During the ride you will have about an hour on deck to enjoy the river and the evening and an hour for dinner and a floorshow. Each ticket will run around \$40 and includes transportation to the General Jackson from the Hotel.

Tuesday is the 4th of July. We are recommending a trip downtown for concerts on the river, shopping and fireworks. The details for this are being worked on.

On Wednesday night we will have an icebreaker in the hospitality room where we will have free pizza. We plan to have it early because a number of me mbers have asked for one night as a ladies night out and this will be on Wednesday night. On this evening the ladies will pick the place to go. It will be their night with no talk of the battalion, Vietnam, etc.

We will also have a golf tournament on Wednesday. These plans are all still in the development stages but look pretty promising.

Nashville is a super location for a reunion and we know you are going to have a wonderful time. The hotel is very nice with accommodations truly designed for the 5th Battalion 7th Cavalry. Hospitality, memorabilia and registration are all next to each other and away from the main hotel traffic. We can sort of do our own thing.

The hotel has a health spa, indoor & outdoor swimming pools, lighted tennis courts, nice restaurant and an out of the way casual bar. It is close to the airport and has free parking. It is only fifteen minutes from downtown Nashville.

On the down side, Nashville does not have a good mass transit system. For those of you that want to get out during the day and see some of the sights a car will be an advantage. As in the past there are many folks who bring cars and love to share the ride from place to place with others.

Weather should not be a problem but as this past summer has shown most of us, you never can tell. Normally, the first part of July is warm but not hot. By this time of the year we are out of the rainy season but once again you never know.

A small group of members has run the past four reunions. By the end of the reunion most of them are ready to go to bed for a week. We would like to try a new approach for Reunion V and are asking for volunteers to help for short periods of time during the reunion. That way we can share the load and not kill a few people.

There will be five general areas for volunteer help: Registration and Information; Hospitality; Transportation and Logistics; Banquets and Meetings; and PX. There will be a manager for each group and then volunteers to help in each group on a shift basis. Each shift will be around four hours. If we can get enough folks to take one shift during the reunion we should be able keep a very few from having to do it all.

There is a place on the registration

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Member Fees			Audio Tapes	43.00
Lawrence M. Green	00-01	20.00	Pins	64.20
Rich Reed	99-02	40.00	Shirts	375.50
Benjamin Weedman	01-05	10.00	Ties	750.00
L. Dean Davison	99-01	30.00	Bank Interest	119.65
Thomas W. Spalding	00-01	20.00	Total Other Income	1,591.95
Troy G. Tippins	00-04	50.00		
David Kozuh	00-01	20.00	Total Income	2,171.95
Royce Vick	00	10.00		
Ben Fulves	00	10.00	Total in General	15,313.59
John Schank	00-01	20.00	Fund	ŕ
George Hannaford	01-02	20.00	Reunion V Reserv.	
Charles Bernier	00	10.00	Pat Dockery	180.00
David Hensley	99-01	30.00	Donald Diggs	120.00
Wayne Gibbs	00	10.00	Joe McVeigh	180.00
Alain Hasson	00-01	20.00	Gegory A. Schlieve	60.00
Allen Patrick	99-00	20.00	Maurice Goulet	100.00
Galen Gregerson	01-02	20.00	Richard Bigelli	120.00
Richard Niemitalo	99-01	30.00	Harry Coit	120.00
Robert D. Wagner	00	10.00	Bernard Grady	120.00
William E. Kail	99-01	10.00	Trevor W. Swett, Jr.	60.00
Tim Kasprowicz	00-02	30.00	Jerry L. Pembleton	180.00
Terry L. Bowers	98-01	40.00	Karl F. Hartz	
Edwin G. Splichal	00	10.00		180.00
Robert Hansen	99-00	20.00	Thomas W. Spalding	120.00
Rodney Hebert	99-00	20.00	Rich Reed	120.00
Total Member Fees		530.00	Royce Vick	120.00
			Rodney Hebert	420.00
Donations			Ryan Sateren	120.00
Royce Vick		10.00	John M. Long	120.00
Alain V. Hasson		20.00	Greg Hollaway	60.00
Robert Hansen		10.00	James E. Mitchell	120.00
Edwin Splichal		10.00	Eugene D. Cargile	120.00
Total Donations		50.00	Neil T. Meyer	120.00
Other Income			Benjamin Weedman	180.00
PX Sales			Tom Bullock	120.00
Flags		54.00	Claude A. Julian	120.00
Mouse Pads		17.00	Gerhard Bronston	120.00
Hats		80.00	Allen Patrick	120.00
		30.00	James T. Boulden	120.00
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Bobby Tillman Phillip B. Sierer

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slip to indicate whether or not you would be willing to help and in what area. Please indicate on the form if you would like to help out.

The last thing is registration. We have had to raise the registration fee to \$60 for this reunion. Your fee will pay administrative and overhead cost, the Friday night banquet, and Saturday night Bar-B-Que. If you or any of your quests will be unable to attend the dinners, the administrative Registration fee is \$10 per person.

Please call and make your reservations at the hotel as soon as you can. We were required to sign a contract with the hotel for a certain number of room nights. I will not rest easy until I know we have filled those room nights. Also send in your registration form as soon as you can. Be sure and complete as much information on the form as you can. The more information we have the better we can plan and prepare for the reunion.

I do not need your registration money right away if you would prefer to pay later. What we need now is your intention to attend and the information you can provide for planning.

We certainly look forward to having you join us in Nashville for Reunion V. See you in July.

GARRY OWEN,

Jerry

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