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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

by Maury Edmonds

"Garry Owen" to you all with hopes that you and your families are well, enjoying life, and continuing to stay in touch with your 5/7 Cav buddies. Don't underestimate how important it is to stay in touch. Doing so will mean a lot to you; and, it will mean the world to those with whom you remain in contact.

As most of you know, the work of our Squadron in Afghanistan has proven costly. Three of our brave troopers were lost recently to multiple IED's while performing their mission. Seven others were wounded. The funerals for SSGT Chris Ward in Tennessee, Sgt Wilbel Robles-Santa in Puerto Rico, and Sgt Delfin Santos in California were attended by several of our members. The families appreciated their presence, as do the rest of us. SPC Seals is recuperating at Walter Reed Hospital in Washington; and, we appreciate those of you who have stopped by to encourage him. The other wounded recuperated in Afghanistan. Keep all of them and their families in your prayers.

In keeping with the tradition of the 3d Infantry Division, those we lost were honored on May 16 with the dedication of a flowering tree and unveiling of a stone marker for each one along Warriors Walk at Ft. Stewart. Nine of our Association members attended to recognize our fallen and to offer our condolences and comfort to the families.

By the time you read this, the official Memorial Day to honor our nation's fallen may have passed. For us, every day is a day to remember and to honor our fallen and their families who gave all they had to give in pursuit of their missions. The duty we accept and cherish is that we will never forget them for as long as we shall live. Special thanks to Jack Monahan and Bowman Olds for presenting, in our behalf, our 5/7 Cav Wreath at the Vietnam Memorial.

It's time to begin planning your trip to Washington over the Veterans Day weekend in November. We expect another big crowd for dinner on the night before and then at the Wall on Veterans Day to lay our wreath and honor all who have served. I hope you can come.

Take care of yourself and your family. God Bless you. Maury

"Krazy" Karl's Report

The April showers have blown by and drown half the country. Here in New Hampshire we are getting ready for May Flowers, June bugs and ticks. Damned ticks, the little blood suckers are a pain. You should see the dirty look I get from my wife Carol when I tell her I want to check her for ticks after working in the flower beds. That girl has no sense of humor.

During one of our Veterans Day gathering a member asked me what are we going to do when we start to lose members and get smaller. My answer then was we still have 3000 troopers we are looking for. If you check the new member page since last newsletter you will see that we are still growing. Why are we growing? It is because you guys are getting old orders to us and my hat is off to Don Shipley. Don works his butt off to find new members and relocate members we have lost because of address changes. On the listing we just put in the names and years they served to save space. If you see a name and want to contact them call, write, e-mail, text excreta to me and I will give you the info. Please contact your newly found buddy. Only about 20% of these newly found troopers actually join. We all have a little PTSD and we are very skeptical about coming to our 1st gathering.

Another congrats goes to David Hertz, A company 1969. Dave for the 2nd year in a row has located the most new troopers. (Elected officers locating don't count, sorry Don) We need a few more spark plugs like Dave to continue to grow.

There are another couple of groups, one from A company and one from D company that are compiling facts for company histories. I find a spot for their contact people.

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Middle East Conflicts War Memorial

This should bring special attention of our 5th Squadron members. In the town of Marseilles, IL is located the Middle East Conflicts War Memorial. The memorial erected in 2004 is made of black granite blocks with the names of all armed service personnel that paid the Ultimate Sacrifice in the Middle East. On the 3rd weekend in June every year there is a ceremony to add the names of all that paid the Ultimate Sacrifice from the previous year. This year's ceremony is June 15th. Marseilles is 80 miles SW of Chicago on Interstate 80.

Garry Owen,
Karl

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Membership VP's Report

Every day as I talk to each of you and watch this organization grow I become even more proud to be a part of it.

We are still getting new names of persons that served with our unit in Nam. Over a one hundred new persons have been located since Christmas. Most are in great anticipation of hearing from old buddies and friends. Don't let them down. When you see a new found member listed in the newsletter or in Karl's weekly updates get the contact info from Karl and look up that old buddy. Many newly found members are reluctant to reach out. So if you can make that first contact it will help to reassure the new guys that we are really a very friendly organization and our mission is to be a positive support group and to share in the brotherhood of being a 5/7 Cavalry veteran.

To those of you in the new 5/7, once you leave military service, the Military will not supply any info on the persons you served with you. To protect against losing track of your former comrades you must keep copies of rosters, orders and little books of addresses. These things may not seem important now but they will come in handy when you become more active in the association and you want to find those guys and gals that you served with in Iraq and Afghanistan. Us older veterans have learned the hard way that retaining those old orders make the task of finding our buddies somewhat easier. Many guys came home with only their lives through the hospital; all their photos, letter, addresses were left in Jungle somewhere. Today we have a chance to share our combat memories as well as a lifetime of memories since those days.

We are getting closer to the reunion in July 2014 and the hotel reservation line is working: <https://bookings.ihotelier.com/University-Plaza-Hotel-and-Convention-Center/bookings.jsp?hotelId=17728&groupID=985837>. Go ahead and book now. It cost nothing to make that reservation. You can always adjust the dates if need be as we get closer to the actual date.

This looks to be a very large reunion and we have a hotel with a lot of public areas for those important small gatherings so important at any reunion. I say this about the size of the reunion and ask anyone that makes every reunion, I've not been wrong in over twenty years. This particular hotel was originally built as an Embassy Suites hotel and the original spec called for large suite-style rooms so you're going to really enjoy the accommodations. The hotel has a larger than normal Hospitality room so I'm sure this is going to be one of the best and biggest yet. Mark it down that I said so. You are not going to want to miss this party. I'll guarantee you'll have fun and you get to meet up with guys that will have great stories to share.

Garry Owen, Don Shipley
Membership Vice President

Walmart has announced a new program in which it pledges to hire any honorably discharged veteran within one year of their date of discharge. They project that they will hire and train more than 100,000 veterans over the next five years. The new program is scheduled to kickoff at the end of May, and Walmart U.S. CEO and U.S. Navy Veteran, Bill Simon estimates the average hiring process should take 30 days.

Mr. Simon made the following statement regarding Walmart's 'Veterans Welcome Home Commitment': "The private sector is stepping up for our heroes, just as they have stood for us. Every company in America has benefited from the service and sacrifice of our men and women in uniform. Sadly, too many of those who fought for us abroad now find themselves fighting for jobs at home.

"It's up to us to right this – and to put our veterans back to work. And let's be clear: hiring a veteran can be one of the best decisions any of us can make. Veterans bring to the private sector that seriousness and sense of purpose that the military instills. These are leaders with discipline, training, and passion for service. Our nation has invested in their skills and it shows.



This is Wilson and he is from Carlisle, Ohio. He is in the fifth grade and is so proud of his Stetson with the 5/7 Crossed sabers on it that he wears it to all sporting events and even to his school.

Wilson is a good buddy of John Goodpaster who also lives in Carlisle, Ohio.

Wilson, our 5/7 Cavalry veterans salute you and thank you for carrying on with the proud Garry Owen tradition.

LETTERS

Just read Krazy's update about sending pictures of mini reunions. 1st plt. Alpha Co. had a mini reunion in Oct. 2012 in Washington, D.C. We had 9 guys show up there are only 7 in the picture and the wife of one of our guys whom is deceased since coming home. There is also a group picture with the wives. Hope you have room for at least the pic. at the wall. We were in Vietnam in 1970 and early 1971.

Thanks,
Larry Bridges A/5/7 1970-71



Troopers --- Spring has sprung in the upper Midwest of Indiana, I'm sure some of you probably have your A.C. already running. Enjoy the warm days.

For those who are thinking about filing a claim or have one that is pending, I just received a 10% claim for my hearing loss. This is different than the tinnitus, ringing in the ears, so possibly the V.A. has changed their position. I know many of us were denied a claim for hearing loss so give it a try, it's been a long time coming.

Thanks, and remember our brothers on Memorial Day !
Garry Owen, Neil Meyer D. Co. Trustee

Did You Know??

How many steps the guard takes during his walk across the Tomb of the Unknowns, and why? Twenty-one. It alludes to the twenty-one gun salute which is the highest honor given any military or foreign dignitary.

For the same reason, he pauses for 21 seconds after making an 'about face' before making his return walk.

Did you also know that he always changes the shoulder on which he carries his rifle so that it is always away from the tomb? The guards are rotated every thirty minutes, twenty-four hours a day, 365 days a year.

All guards of the Tomb of the Unknowns must be between 5'10" and 6'2" and have a waist size no greater than 30 inches.

In 2003 as Hurricane Isabelle was approaching Washington, our U.S. Senate and House of Representatives took two days off in anticipation of the storm. On the ABC Evening News, it was reported that, because of the dangers from the hurricane, the military members assigned the duty of guarding the Tomb of the Unknowns were given permission to suspend the assignment. They respectfully declined the offer with a unanimous "No way, Sir." Soaked to the skin, marching in the pelting rain of a tropical storm, they said that guarding the Tomb was not just an assignment; it was the highest honor that can be afforded to a service person.

The Tomb has been patrolled continuously around the clock since 1930!

THE VA IS MAKING IMPROVEMENTS IN THE CLAIMS PROCESS. TWO RECENT CHANGES HAVE HAD A SIGNIFICANT IMPACT ALREADY ---

FULLY DEVELOPED CLAIMS

The recently introduced "Fully Developed Claims Process". The way it works is pretty simple. If a veteran has a claim for any type of service connected disability, the veteran gathers all the required evidence to support that claim and then submits it to the VA for decision. Provide a medical diagnosis of the disability, provide proof of the service connection, provide a certified copy of the DD 214, and the claim can be processed and decided in about 120 days. It does work. A veterans I know had his AO related heart condition claim decided in unbelievable NINE weeks. I'm sure there are other similar results stories out there... This process also works for a non service-connected pension claim. The only difference is that the financial information is submitted instead of proof of the service connected nature of the disability. Discuss with your SERVICE OFFICER.

DISABILITY BENEFITS QUESTIONNAIRES (DBQs)

Disability Benefits Questionnaires (DBQs) are downloadable forms created for Veterans' use in the evaluation process for disability benefits. DBQs will help speed the processing of Veterans' disability compensation and pension claims.

DBQs allow Veterans and Service members to have more control over the disability claims process by giving them the option of visiting a primary care provider in their community, at their expense, instead of completing an evaluation at a Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) facility. The streamlined forms use check boxes and standardized language so that the disability rating can be made accurately and quickly.

More than 70 DBQs cover a full range of medical conditions. While some DBQs are specific to a single condition (for example: hypertension, arthritis, and prostate cancer), most forms can be used for several related conditions (for example: heart conditions, kidney conditions, endocrine conditions).

Please see the extensive list of conditions on the VA website at: http://benefits.va.gov/compensation/dbq_listbysymptom.asp.

More on both is available via GOOGLE SEARCH.

REMINDER: Use the services of a VETERAN SERVICE OFFICER when you file a claim with the VA.

(Thanks to Vince Laurich for passing this on)

New Troopers Found

Last	First	MI	Co/Yr
Abbott	Troy	G	E 70
Accardo	Franklin	D	C 67
Andrews	Darrell	R	B 67
Battle	John	L	B 68
Beamon	Robert	L	D 69
Beard	Alonzo		B 67
Becton	Jimmy	D	A 69
Blackmon	Herbert,SR	L	D 70
Blankenship	Darrell	C	A 68
Bogle	Ricky	J	A 68
Bonadonna	Salvatore	A	A 69
Bowron	Robert	N	E 68
Boyd	Randean		C 66
Britton	William		C 66
Brown	Wallace	F	C 69
Cagle	Franklin D	D	A 70
Campbell	Larry	D	D 68
Carroll	Daniel	A	A&D 70
Cegielski	Sigmund	R	C 67
Christensen	Larry	M	A 69
Christensen	Marvin	C	D 70
Clark	Tommy	D	B 69
Clinton	Orlean	E	A 68
Cousins	Anthony	W	B 67
Crimmins	David	J	D 70
Crumpley	Hubert	W	D 68
Deavers	Herman	E	A 68
DeMaio	Richard	P	C 69
Denny	Stephen	E	A 69
Deroche	Dennis	L	H 70
Dinsmore	James	W	C 70
Doctor	Robert	L	D 68
Doucette	Edward	T	C 68
Downing	Robert	L	H 70
Dreyer	Steven	K	A 69
Duncan	Ray	A	A 68
Eberle	Richard	R	E 69
Elko	David	T	E 70
Ellis	Michael	A	C 68
Englesmeier	David	L	E+A 68
Fedell	David	B	A 66
Flenniken	William	S	A 67

Last	First	MI	Co/Yr
Flenniken	William	S	A 67
Green	Lorn	A	A 70
Greenawalt	Rex	A	D 69
Guevin	Edward	J	B 70
Gustin	David	E	B 68
Hamblin	James		C 68
Heinsey	Larry	W	DE 70
Huntsman	Harold, Jr.	D	A 70
Hutchinson	Richard	P	A 69
Iocco	Robert	J	H 70
Kallal	Jacob	C	A 68
Kmetz	K.Michael		H 69
Komidar	John	F	H 70
Lighthall	Richard	A	C 68
Lott	Jerrie	A	D 68
Marshall	James	E	A 69
Massengill	Charles	M	H 70
Mays	Frank	W	A 69
McTaggart	Thomas	L	
Miller	Edwin B	B	C 69
Orosz	John	M	C 68
Paris	Glenn	D	A 68
Piotrowski	Valentine	F	D 68
Quattrocchi	Donald	J	D 68
Rajda	James	T	A 68
Repp	John	E	C 67
Schrepel	Warren L	L	D 70
Sheffield	Hubert	C "Yogi"	A 70
Shepardson	Willie		D 70
Siemens	Keith	W	D 67
Stauffer	David	E	B 67
Stotler	Stephan	F	B 68
Thomas	Chardton	J	A 68
Tillman	Glenn	E	B 66
Triplett	Clifford	M	A 66
Volz	Fred	D	B 66
Warbington	George		D 70
Weedon	Jacques	W	D 70
Wingard	Richard	V	B 68
Wingard	Kenneth	R	D 70
Woodson	Lynn	W	C 68
Wright	Cleveland		A 68

More Photos from 2012 Veterans Day



Notice: not all of these new troopers found have joined the association. If you know one of them contact Karl for the address and give them a call. Thanks as they are waiting to hear from YOU.

5/7Cav PX

POW/MIA 3X5 Flags	\$15
Baseball Cap 5/7 embroidered	10
Miniature Garry Owen Crest pin	3
1st CAV cloth shoulder patch	5
1st CAV window sticker (no Vietnam)	3
1st CAV Div. challenge Coin	10
Full size CIB	4
1st CAV Hat pin (1")	3
Combat Medic pin (new)	3
Air Medal Pin (new)	3
M16-A-1 Hat pin (new)	4
Combat Cavalry pin (gold wreath - new)	4
5/7 Guidon bumper sticker (new)	2
Reg. Garry Owen Crest Pin	3
Miniature CIB pin	3
AnKhe Hat pin	3
1st CAV Div. Flag 3x5'	15
Raised letter CAVALRY pin (new)	3
1st Cav Hat pin (5/8") (new)	3
UHI Huey pin (new)	3
Miniature Purple Heart pin	3
M60 Machinegun pin (new)	4
Huey Hat pin (black/gold)	4
5/7 Crossed Sabers Ig. pin (new)	4
Claymore Mine Pin (new)	4
White Polo shirts button-up with collar Embroidered 5/7 Cav. and Garry Owen Crest all short sleeved, order by size	23
5/7 Cav Denim Shirts Embroidered with Garry Owen Crest. Order by size, colors are Blue, Khaki, Green; Men or Ladies; Short Sleeves or Long Sleeves	25
Irish Green Golf Shirt with Embroidered Garry Owen Crest. Black Cav 5/7 Lettering under Crest. Quality Jerzee Brand. M, L, XL, XXL	23
New Adult T-Shirt with large Carry Owen Crest screen print on front. M, L, XL, 2X, 3X; Colors: white & ash (light gray)	13.50
New Child's T-Shirt w/silk screen 1st Cav patch on left chest & "Cav Kid" lettering under patch. Sizes: 2-4, 4-6, 6-8, 10-12, 14-16.	10
"Commitment and Sacrifice" DVD. This documentary film follows the experiences of troopers from Bravo Company of the 5th Battalion 7th Cavalry regiment during the Vietnam War (1970) and the Iraq War (2005), through the lens of combat cameraman Norman Lloyd.	12

PLEASE ALLOW THREE WEEKS ON SHIRT DELIVERY.

PLEASE INCLUDE \$3.00 POSTAGE ON HATS & ON SMALL ITEM ORDERS AND \$5.00 ON ALL SHIRT ORDERS.

Attention: We have a limited supply of shirts. Please contact Goody for sizes and availability. Doing special order shirt one at a time plus shipping is very costly. We can do this but it will expensive.

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Photos from 1966 and 1967



If you would like to share some of your old Vietnam Photos in the newsletters send them to : editor@cav57.org.

Co B 69, Dues Paid Thru: 2009
 Tom T. Trooper
 Street Address
 City, State Zip

Check Your Mail Label

The sample mail label on the left represents the label that appears on the front of your newsletter. It indicates the company/troop and year you initially served in the 5/7 Cav. The label also gives you the status of your dues. If "3000" appears in your status it indicates we have your status as "Active Duty". Dues payments should be mailed to our treasurer at the following address:

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5th Squadron 7th Cavalry Report from the Field

Greetings and “Garryowen!” from all of us here at Forward Operating Base Apache, Afghanistan. We hope this note finds you healthy and of good spirit.

At time of this posting, the Troopers of the Warpaint Squadron are stationed across Zabul Province and Kandahar, conducting operations well into our 7th month of this deployment. Please know that by every measure, the Squadron continues to perform magnificently in what is unquestionably a complex environment. Leadership from across the Squadron are serving predominately in Security Force Advisor Teams (SFATs) which coach and mentor our partnered unit, 2nd Brigade of the 205th Afghan National Army and its subordinate battalions (“Kandaks” in Afghan parlance).



Today over half of the Squadron remains deployed and those not performing in an advisory role are providing security for the advisor teams or training partner unit battalions. We can report that we continue to see the fruits of our labor and just recently returned from a highly successful four day operation in a remote area of Zabul Province which was led by our partner unit with little coalition support. This was a significant milestone and something that was not possible a few months ago if it were not for the efforts of Warpaint Leaders and Troopers.

As you may know, while our partner units are starting to flourish, Afghanistan is still a combat zone and this past month the Squadron suffered losses from within our ranks. On 06 April, a suicide vehicle borne improvised explosive device detonated on a patrol led by members of Apache Troop. In the aftermath of the attack, the Squadron lost three fine Troopers with an additional seven that were combat wounded and required medical evacuation. The event hit the Squadron pretty hard but these Troopers, being resilient and full of spirit, rallied around each other and were out conducting operations the very next day.

Throughout this tragic event, we were deeply touched by the outpouring of support from family, friends, and especially the 5-7 CAV Association. Shortly after word of our losses spread, we received a steady stream of condolences and offers to provide assistance. We doubt there is another Squadron or Battalion in our Army who are the beneficiaries of such unwavering support. We are deeply humbled and proud to report that there were 5-7 CAV Association representatives present for the interment of each of our fallen, from Tennessee to California to Florida.

At Fort Stewart this past week, the installation dedicated three memorial trees to honor our fallen and again, there was significant representation from the 5-7 CAV Association. On behalf of all of us, thank you for your support in word and deed. You make us proud.

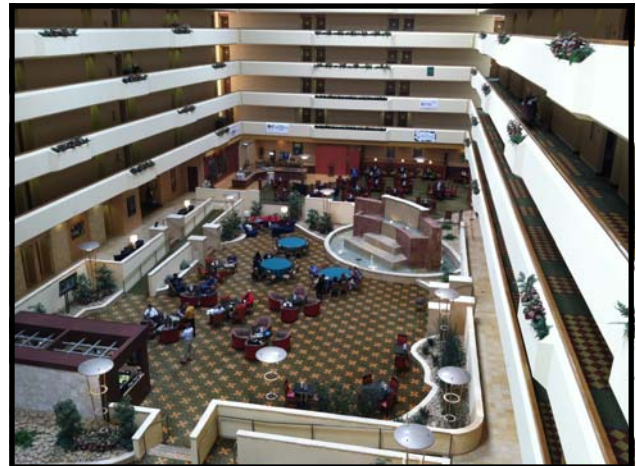
As we are now entering the final stretch of this deployment, our thoughts are turning toward redeployment and reunion with our family members. We are on course for a mid-Summer return and will ensure we share our arrival date as we get closer to redeployment. In the interim, the Squadron will continue providing all effort toward ensuring mission accomplishment prior to returning with home with honor consistent with the tradition of this fine Squadron.

All the best and GARRYOWEN!
LTC Christopher Jones, Warpaint 6
CSM Kerry Dyer, Warpaint 7



2014 Reunion Preview

We are almost one year away from our next reunion in Springfield, MO. Our reunion venue is the University Plaza Hotel in Springfield. The dates are Monday, July 13 through Saturday, July 19. The room rate is \$92.00 per night. Based on room availability the hotel will honor this rate three days prior and three days after our reunion dates to accommodate those who arrive early or plan to stay over. Below are some photos of the hotel to help satisfy your curiosity about where we will be meeting in 2014. Mark your calendar now so you can be ready to join us for our twelfth biennial reunion. You can now book your reservation on line. The web link is <http://booking.ihotelier.com/istay/istay.jsp?groupID=985837&hotelID=17728>. You can also find this link on our website. Book early so you make sure have a room.



Financial Report

by Royce Vick

Dues Recorded Since Last Newsletter

First	Last	Amt	Year
New Mem			
Franklin D	Accardo	\$20	2014
Herbert L	Blackmon	\$10	2013
Bruce R	Bogardus	\$20	2014
Frank D	Cagle	\$30	2015
Larry D	Campbell	\$20	2014
Stephen	Denny	\$20	2014
Michael	Etscheid	\$30	2015
Warren S	Flenniken	\$20	2014
Gary D	Fredette	\$10	2013
James R	Hamblin	\$20	2014
Larry W	Heinsey	\$20	2014
Jacob	Kallal	\$20	2014
K. Michael	Kmetz	\$30	2015
Charles T	Leshner	\$10	2013
Richard	Lighthall	\$20	2014
Michael	Livengood	\$10	2013
John M	Orosz	\$20	2014
Jerry K	Peterie	\$10	2013
Keith W	Siemens	\$20	2014
Stephen F	Stotler	\$40	2016
Clifford M	Triplett	\$20	2014
Dennis	Truttman	\$10	2013
Dale R	Turnbull	\$10	2013
Neal	Ward	\$10	2013
Update			
Richard	Affolter	\$20	2015
Robert R	Balicki	\$50	2017
Michael C	Beaupre Jr.	\$20	2014
Charles	Bernier	\$10	2013
Ted	Bortell	\$30	2015
Jim	Branan	\$100	2015
Claude	Breeding	\$20	2014
Robert	Colgrove	\$30	2015
Gary	Cramer	\$20	2014
Dennis W	Dagel	\$100	2022
Ray A	Duncan	\$20	2016
John W	Fitch	\$50	2017
Paul	Galyean	\$60	2017
Wayne R	Gibbs	\$20	2015
Juan C	Gonzales	\$30	2016
Larry	Gunkel	\$10	2013
Clinton T	Hoy	\$20	2014
George A	Ingram	\$30	2015
James	Lee Sr	\$20	2014
Hugo	Lopez	\$20	2014
Roy A	Martin	\$30	2013
Ernie J	Mezich	\$40	2016
Gordon A	Nascimento	\$20	2016
Boyd C	Osler	\$110	2022
Michael G	Post	\$20	2014
Richard	Rebholz	\$20	2014

Several items need to be discussed in this issue. Please note our sound financial condition. This is due to our conservative approach to the expenditure of funds and the continued receipt of dues in a timely manner. Thank you to all those members that are keeping their dues up to date.

Please check your mailing label for your dues status and let us know if you find an error. If you get the Bugle by internet and you are not sure of your dues status contact me and I will let you know what your dues status is (ravick@charter.net).

We are all indebted to Don and Karl for the increase in membership. In this reporting period, note that we have 24 new dues paying members. Several more have been located but have not yet responded with dues payments. In Karl's updates he reports the name of newly located troopers. If you know any of them you can help by contacting them and inviting them to join the Association.

Larry Allen has turned in \$1,400 to the Association for the photos he took during our reunion last July. After his expenses, he had a surplus of \$1,200 in the sale of the pictures he had taken at the San Antonio Reunion. Larry has also produced a DVD with a photo and name of each of the 5/7 troopers who are memorialized on The Wall. This required four trips to The Wall and over 1,000 hours to produce. The pictures are arranged by company and date of KIA.

The DVD's can be purchased for \$25 with \$20 of that being returned to the Association. This may be a DVD you watch only one time but it is something outstanding to add to your 5/7 collection. Larry Allen's e-mail address is larcane@comcast.net.

Don't forget the upcoming Reunion in Springfield, MO. Put the date July 13 to July 19, 2014, on your calendar. Hotel reservations are being accepted right now.

Garry Owen,
Royce

Dues Since Last Newsletter (Cont'd)				DONATIONS		
First	Last	Amt	Year			
Update				Larry	Allen	\$1,200
Louis D	Reynoso	\$60	2018	Larry	Allen	\$200
Roger	Rosdahl	\$50	2022	Tom	Caldwell	\$100
Shalon	Sledge	\$20	2013	Juan C	Gonzales	\$50
Stanley	Vols	\$20	2014	Junior	Letts	\$50
Wayne	Walenticonis	\$20	2014	Roy A	Martin	\$70
Johnny	Zimmerman	\$20	2014	Dennis	Truttman	\$90
				Royce	Vick	\$25
					TOTAL	\$1,785

FUNDS BALANCE

Nov 2012 Bal: Checking & Savings	\$10,160
Expenses	
PX Supplies	(\$625)
Vets Day Wreath	(\$213)
Dec. Newsletter	(\$1,445)
Flowers	(\$73)
Postage	(\$266)
Total Expenses	(\$2,622)
Income	
Dues, Donations, PX	\$3,786
Savings Interest	\$2
CD Interest	\$63
Total Income	\$3,851
April 2013 Bal: Checking/Savings	\$11,389
Certificate of Deposits	\$45,000
All Accounts Balance	\$56,389



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