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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

by Maury Edmonds

My first thought is that I hope all of you have come through unscathed the fires, floods, tornadoes, and thunderstorms that seemed to be a constant occurrence over most of the country for the last few months.

Based on all the emails I've read, it looks like another record year for tracking down those brothers from Vietnam who have eluded us until now. My thanks and congratulations to those who've worked so hard to bring all of them into our ranks. Now, we must persuade them to come regularly to our gatherings. As so many of you have told me over the years, when you first attended you wondered why you hadn't come sooner. Let's all encourage our buddies to join us in Washington on Veterans Day this November and especially in Springfield next year for the reunion.

We are most thankful that our great 5/7 Cav troopers are all back from Afghanistan, having carried out their very challenging missions in outstanding fashion. Our prayers were with you every step of the way. As the Squadron goes through its reset with many new troopers and leaders coming in, I want to thank those who carried our Colors so courageously over the past couple of years. We are enormously proud of each one of you and we wish you Godspeed in the years ahead. You are our Brothers and we hope to see you many times in the future.

I now close with the fervent prayer that you and families enjoy good health and happiness; and, that you'll do your best to join us at our gatherings. And, remember – stay in touch with each other.

Garry Owen, Maury

"Krazy" Karl's Report

Quit procrastinating (that's a big word) make your reservations for Veterans Day and Reunion XII now!

What the heck is going on here? I just did a newsletter piece and now Allen wants another. Time is flying by and now we have <u>Veterans</u> <u>Day</u> less than 60 days away. Our annual dinner gathering will be Sunday November 10, 2012 at the Holiday Inn in Crystal City. I need to know who is attending and what your entrée choice will be, roast chicken or roast pork. Cutoff date for hotel reservations is October 10, 2012.

Reunion XII is another date that is creeping up on us. We will be adding the schedule as of the January newsletter. The official reunion dates are Sunday, July 13, 2014 though Saturday Evening, July 19, 2014 and that is only 10 months away. There will be an association registration from form in the January newsletter this is not the hotel registration as that has to be done separately. See our web site www.cav57.org – click the yellow banner for info. We will be having a Tuesday outing to Branson for Dinner and a show. As Branson only schedules shows about 6 months in advance we don't know what it will be yet. Our tentative ground team meeting with the University Plaza in Springfield, MO is January 31, 2014. Please come by and say HEY and give us your thoughts.

Copies of your orders – I have sent out many "Standard Form 180," to everyone we have located since 2002 and have very few copies of orders. This is how we have been able to locate so many of our brothers at arms. WE still have gaps in the on all orders where they be CIB, Purple Heart, Air Medal, etc. Our membership VP has been on a roll and needs more new names to work with. Only about 5% of the located troopers actually join the association. I would like to see this jump to 10% and it can be done by you members contacting the newly located troopers.

On Line Updates – There are over 500 troopers that are receiving on line updates every couple of weeks or so from me. If you want to receive these send me your e-address and I will add you on. If you change your address and don't tell you won't get them.

<u>Veterans Administration</u> – The VA likes to confuse you. One important thing to know is VA Medical and VA Benefits do not interact. If you have a claim make sure you carry your records to the claims office. Make copies of everything. **If it don't read – it don't count.**See you all in DC, November 9-11, 2013 – Remember I am the one you call "Krazy."

Tentative Reunion XII Schedule

Sunday July 13, 2014 – Check In Monday July 14, 2014 – Check In

Tuesday July 15, 2014 – Afternoon Evening trip to Branson

Wednesday July 16, 2014 – Free Pizza Social 6:30 PM Thursday July 17, 2014 – Battalion Meeting in morning

Friday July 18, 2014 – Battalion Meeting in AM – Banquet in evening Saturday July 19, 2014 – Memorial Service IN AM – BBQ in evening



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Membership VP's Report

Finding new troopers that served with us in Vietnam is almost a full time job and Karl and I are spending a lot of time trying to make it happen. You'll see some of the results in this newsletter. There are over one hundred new names of men that served in the 5/7 Cav that we have finally located since the last newsletter went out.

The process is slow and tedious but it is great when it pays off. Once we get an address we think is right we send out a contact card to that person and if it comes back with confirmation that we have indeed located a 5/7 Cav veteran we mark him **found** in our database.

Then Karl goes to work with a "**Welcome Home**" packet that includes a welcome letter and a copy of the latest newsletter. The letter let's them know we have a web site too so they can browse the site and check out our newsletters archive that goes all the way back to 1999. I also pull together a roster of the company they served in so they can go over it and see if they too can help find more troopers.

Once they're on the web site they can also see photos of our past gatherings which hopefully gives them a sense of how much we enjoy getting together and sharing our stories. Sometimes I even get calls from guys who have received one of our confirmation cards and the guy had no idea our association existed. For whatever reason they had not found our web site and didn't realize that people were looking for them.

The guys that call are usually very excited to know we are here and they ask lots of questions. That's when I feel we're really doing a good thing by finding people who served with the 5/7 in Nam. I'll be honest though and tell you that not all responses are positive. There are some guys that don't want to be bothered or they're reluctant to talk to Karl or me because they served in different years.

That's where the rest of you guys can come in and help. If you see a name on the list of **New Troopers Located** that we publish in the newsletter and you think you know that guy let me or Karl know and we'll get you the contact info so you can call the guy. We usually have an e-mail or phone number that comes back with the confirmation card. Being able to talk to someone they actually served with in the same squad or platoon or company in Nam makes a big difference and hopefully they'll decide to join the association and our Veterans Day and Reunion get-togethers.

As we all know we are not getting any younger. Most of the guys that served with the 5/7 from 1966 to 1971 are already in their middle sixties or older. That's all the more reason to call up that buddy you recognize on our list or someone you know that we haven't located yet. If you do have names of guys that we haven't found yet let me know and I'll see if I can help you find that person. Both my e-mail and my phone number are listed in this newsletter.

We are hoping that with the list of newly located guys since the first of this year is now totaling over 200 we'll have even better turnouts for our Veterans Day Gathering and the Reunion in Springfield Missouri this coming July.

I want to thank you Company liaison guys too. Once we have a newly located person that was in your company your follow-up with them makes a big difference.

Thank the good lord our 5/7 Squadron men and women are back from overseas; what a relief! Garry Owen,

Membership Vice President

Don Shipley

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LETTERS

The Commitment and Sacrifice Foundation has made a donation of 500 copies of the DVD "Commitment & Sacrifice" to the 5th Squadron 7th Cavalry. Copies are also available for members of the 5/7 Squadron who may have changed locations. Please let Karl know how we can contact you so you can receive your copy. Karl's e-mail is: cav571vpkk@roadrunner.com.

My name is PFC Perry Green I served in 5/7 Cav "Garry Owen," B company from July 4th 1967 until 10/14/1967, on 10 October I was Shot near Chuli, but I've been trying to find someone in my unit to prove that I should receive the Purple Heart the records state that it was friendly fire. our company call sign was Cold Steel I, anyone has any Information send me an e mail @ reverendper-

<u>rygreen@yahoo.com</u>, home phone 843-871-2523 Cell 843-814-1795 - Thank you and God Bless the 5/7 Calvary Division

Reverend Perry B. Green

5TH SQUADRON 7TH CAVALRY UPDATE

Greetings friends and Family of the Warpaint Squadron! The spirit and determination of our Troopers over the course of the past few months has been insurmountable and is alive and well! Our struggles and dedication to the numerous missions we have supported, coupled with the endeavors we have taken on ourselves offer no greater reward than that of knowing that we all proudly serve something greater than ourselves. It's been a very busy time for us, and I



will attempt to do the hard work of our Troopers justice in this update. We are pleased to announce that the Squadron has successfully completed our mission in support of Operation Enduring Freedom in Afghanistan and has returned to Fort Stewart, Georgia. The Squadron's main body, consisting of the Headquarters and Apache Troop, redeployed on July 3rd, 2013. Bandit Troop followed shortly after, returning home at the end of August. By the time this is published, our last remaining deployed Troopers, of Crazyhorse Troop, will have returned. The Squadron supported many missions in Afghanistan, to include Security Forces Advisory Teams working with the Afghan National Army, multiple personal security detachments in support of the 1st Armored Brigade Combat Team and 3rd Infantry Division command groups, a security detachment for the Zabul Provincial Reconstruction Team, and an Aerial Reaction Force in support of the 3rd Combat Aviation Brigade. Our Troopers, spread far over Zabul and Kandahar Provinces in Afghanistan, accomplished their missions admirably, and we are very proud to have the Squadron reunited at Fort Stewart once again. Since our return to Fort Stewart, we have hit the ground running in terms of major events.

A memorial dedication was held for our fallen Troopers, SSG Christopher Ward, SGT Delfin Santos, and CPL Wilbel Robles-Santa. These fine Troopers were killed in a heinous improvised explosive device attack on April 6th, 2013 while providing security for a delegation providing text books to a local Afghan school. Their memorial plaques are now proudly displayed in the Squadron Headquarters, alongside plaques of other fallen Warpaint Troopers from conflicts past. Immediately following this memorial dedication, we held an end of tour awards ceremony, to award and commemorate the accolades and achievements of our Troopers in Afghanistan during Operation Enduring Freedom. On August 28th, 2013, our Squadron stood proudly on Cottrell Field at Fort Stewart, during the 1st Armored Brigade Combat Team's change of command ceremony, where we said goodbye to COL James Crider, and greeted our new Brigade Commander, COL Robert Ashe.

In the next few weeks we have several noteworthy events which our Squadron will proudly host. Another awards ceremony will be held to proudly recognize the actions of our Troopers who remained at the home station on the rear detachment during the deployment. Several of our Troops will see change of command ceremonies to farewell outbound commanders, and welcome new commanders as part of the Family. We will proudly host a Cavalry Ball on the 13th of September in Savannah, Georgia as a way for the entire Warpaint Family to get together for a night of gallantry and formal dining. All of these events are rich in Cavalry tradition, instill great pride in the Troopers of 5th Squadron 7th Cavalry Regiment, and serve as boosts to Troop morale and esprit de corps. Lastly, all of our events and efforts will be culminated on September 20th during a Squadron Change of Command ceremony. Here, we will farewell outgoing commander, LTC Christopher Jones, who will have served as commander of the Warpaint Squadron for 30 months, and welcome incoming Squadron Commander, LTC Charles Jack.

Lastly, we are also proud to announce that our own Wounded Warrior, Specialist Joshua Seals, is progressing in his recovery. SPC Seals was severely wounded in action during the April 6th attack, and has been at Walter Reid National Military Medical Center receiving care for his injuries ever since. By the end of September, he will be released from their facilities, where he will transition to Fort Stewart's Warrior Transition Unit to receive further care.

As stated earlier, there is a lot going on here at 5th Squadron 7th Cavalry Regiment, with even more major events on the way. We encourage all of you to stay current on our activities and connected with us via Facebook, at https://www.facebook.com/57CAV. Here, we regularly post news and updates from recent events, along with information on what's going on down the road.

As contributors to this regiment's great lineage, we are proud to bear the name of "Warpaint", and carry forth the outstanding legacy left behind by the Troopers before us. GARRYOWEN!

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

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 veteran 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

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Last	First	MI	Co/Yr
Alfrao	Paul	I	E 69
Allen	Stephen	R	B 67
Andrews	Vincent	L	A 68
Arnsworth	Henry	G	C 68
Bennett	Buford	L	A 66
Berube	Alphonse		B 69
Bowers	Terry	W	E 68
Brodosi	Frederick	С	A 66
Brown	Claude	S	C 68
Brownlowe	Antonio	В	A 69
Brunson	John		A 66
Bush	Comelius		D 70
Cardosi	George	В	C 68
Carlile	Jerry	D	C 69
Carroll	MV		B 67
Carter	Ronald	D	A 68
Carton	Robert	G	D 70
Cason	Frederick	E	B 67
Claypole	Jerrold		D 68
Coleman	Kelly	R	C 70
Cooper	Billy	R	B 69
Curley	James	Н	C 67
Daniels	Donald	J	D 68
Davis	Lonnie	D	D 68
Delagarza	Edward	V	A 70
Diflavis	Bernard		B 69
Duggins	Wallace		H 70
Dulaney	Curtis		B 66
Edwards	Johnny	S	A 70
Elkins	Esley	Ε	D 69
Elliott	Clarence		B 70
Ely	David	М	A 68
Evans	Billy	W	B 68
Festa	Frank	J	A 70
Fischer	Edward	L	B 67
Fleming	John	Е	A 66
Flowers	Jimmy	С	D 70
Focht	Donald	R	A 69
Fowler	Steven	W	C 70
Fullerton	Morgan	J	B 66
Ganhinhin	Randy		B 66
Garner	Herbert	D	A 69

Last	First	МІ	Co/Yr
Gawronski	Donald	М	D 68
Geiger	James	L	B 67
Gelven	Robert C	С	A 67
Glymph	James	F	B 70
Goemmer	James		B 68
Graham	Anott	Α	A 66
Gray	Dwight	Е	C 70
Gray	David	М	C 68
Green	Perry	В	B 67
Guilette	Delphis	R	C 68
Gunner	Thomas	R	A 66
Hall	Paul	S	B 69
Harshbarger	Robert		C 67
Hartley	Robert	Α	H 70
Hawkins	William	Т	A 70
Hilbert	George	F	C 70
Hill	Daneil	R	D 69
Holcomb	Thomas	L	C 66
Horton, Jr	Lotis	J	C 69
Imamura	Kenneth	S	H69
Ingle	John	С	E 70
Jackson	Calvin	L	H 68
Jason	Daniel	Ν	E 69
Jett	Frank	Ε	B 68
Juarez	Santos		D 69
Judd	Ronald	L	C 66
Kelley	Chalmer	L	C 69
Kiesel	Robert		A 69
Kinney	Gregery	D	C 70
Kost	John	R	C 70
Langdon	Michael	0	D 70
Lauck	David	Р	A 69
Lentz	Curtis	W	B 67
Levine	James	Α	H 70
Lucas	Ronals	L	B 67
Luther	Edward		B 70
Madden	Richard	Т	B 67
Mason	Raymond	W	D&E 70
Mazzant	Jacob	М	E 70
McCanns	Robert	G	A 68
Minner	Robert, Jr	Т	A 69
Murray	Bryant	L	C 67

Last	First	MI	Co/Yr
Nava	Johnny	Α	B 69
O'Connell	Stephen	Т	A 69
O'Day	Donald	G	B 67
Odom	Clyde	М	D 70
Oliver	Charles	Ε	B 68
Ontiveros	Aiex	J	C 70
Perez-Roza	Carlos	Е	A 67
Pina	Lazaro	С	E 70
Porstner	Harold	Ε	C 66
Potts	Thomas	J	B 68
Privitt	Benny	G	H&D 66
Robinson	Gerald	K	H 67
Ruiz	Eugene	W	D 67
Salvati	Theodore	J	E 70
Samuels	Oneal		A 68
Sanger	Dana	Ε	E 68
Schroeder	Jerrold		C 70
Schrum	Robert	R	D 69
Schuster	Larry	Р	A 69
Sherwood	David	Р	B 68
Shonka	Joe	J	A 68
Smothers	Joe	N	C 67
Stillwagon	Robert	Е	C 70
Straite	Charles		A 70
Voss	Clifford		D 70
Wagner	Lewis	Ε	H&A 69
Wddell	Rodney	В	C 69
Wendland,Jr	John	J	A 68
Werling	Craig	L	A 69
Wilmore	James	W	C 69

WELCOME



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Note: Not all of the new troopers found have joined the association. If you know one of them contact Karl or Don for the new person's contact information and give them a call or send them an e-mail. Thanks! It will mean a lot to them hearing from someone they served with.

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 lg. 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
NEW 2013 Forest Green Twill Shirts / Embroidered - Garry Owen crest - 5/7 Cavalry —All sizes just in.	\$29

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6 Things You May Not Know About the Vietnam Veterans Memorial

The Vietnam Veterans Memorial was built without government funds.

Jan C. Scruggs, a wounded Vietnam War vet, studied what is now called post-traumatic stress disorder upon his return to the United States. Within a few years, he began calling for a memorial to help with the healing process for the roughly 3 million Americans who served in the conflict. After watching the movie "The Deer Hunter," Scruggs apparently stepped up his activism even further, using \$2,800 of his own money to form the Vietnam Veterans Memorial Fund in 1979. Many politicians expressed their support, and the U.S. Congress passed legislation reserving three acres in the northwest corner of the



National Mall for a future monument. All donations, however, came from the private sector. Bob Hope and other celebrities lended a hand with fundraising, and by 1981 some 275,000 Americans, along with corporations, foundations, veterans groups, civic organizations and labor unions, had given \$8.4 million to the project.

2. A college student won the memorial's design contest.

Having raised the necessary cash, the Vietnam Veterans Memorial Fund next held a design contest. The guide-lines stipulated that the memorial should contain the names of every American who died in Vietnam or remained missing in action, make no political statement about the war, be in harmony with its surroundings and be contemplative in character. Over 1,400 submissions came in, to be judged anonymously by a panel of eight artists and designers. In the end, the panel passed over every professional architect in favor of 21-year-old Yale University student Maya Lin, who had created her design for a class. "From the very beginning I often wondered, if it had not been an anonymous entry 1026 but rather an entry by Maya Lin, would I have been selected?" she would later write.

3. The memorial was originally quite controversial.

Many people commended Lin's winning design, with a former ambassador to South Vietnam calling it a "distinguished and fitting mark of respect" and the New York Times saying it conveyed "the only point about the war on which people may agree: that those who died should be remembered." But others lambasted it as an insult. Author Tom Wolfe called it "a tribute to [anti-war activist] Jane Fonda," Vietnam veteran Jim Webb, a future U.S. Senator, referred to it as "a nihilistic slab of stone," and political commentator Pat Buchanan accused one of the design judges of being a communist. Some critics even resorted to racially insulting Lin, the daughter of Chinese immigrants. Eventually, a compromise was reached—against Lin's wishes—under which a U.S. flag and a statue of three servicemen were dedicated near the wall in 1984. Nine years later, yet another sculpture was added of three women caring for an injured soldier. Not only did the controversy quickly quiet down, but the Vietnam Veterans Memorial has since become both widely praised and wildly popular. "It is still far and away the greatest memorial of modern times—the most beautiful, the most heart-wrenching, the most subtle, and the most powerful," a Vanity Fair commentator wrote earlier this year.

4. Names are still being added to the memorial.

When the Vietnam Veterans Memorial was first dedicated three decades ago, Lin's wall contained the names of 57,939 American servicemen believed to have lost their lives in the Vietnam War. But since then, that number has jumped to 58,282. In fact, 10 new names were engraved this year, including that of a marine corporal whose 2006 death from a stroke was determined to be the result of wounds received in action in 1967. Meanwhile, a few survivors have had their names erroneously chiseled into the wall. In order to be added, a deceased soldier must meet specific U.S. Department of Defense criteria, and those postwar casualties not eligible for inscription on the wall are honored instead with an onsite plaque.

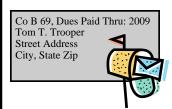
5. Offerings are left at the memorial nearly every day.

Tens of thousands of so-called artifacts have been intentionally left at the memorial since its opening, including letters, POW/MIA commemorative bracelets, military medals, dog tags, religious items and photographs. One person even left behind a motorcycle. Rangers from the National Park Service collect these items every day and, with the exception of unaltered U.S. flags and perishables, send them to a storage facility in Maryland. Though that facility is not open to the public, certain memorial artifacts are put on view as part of traveling exhibits. Such artifacts will also be displayed at an education center scheduled for completion in 2014.

6. All of the names were read out loud this year (2012) for the fifth time.

As part of the wall's 30th anniversary celebration, all 58,282 names were read out loud just prior to Veterans Day. Volunteers, Vietnam vets, family members of the deceased and employees of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial Fund started reading the names last Wednesday afternoon. Except for breaks from midnight to 5 a.m. each day, they didn't finish until Saturday night. Every name was similarly read out loud in 1982, 1992, 2002 and 2007.

Source: The History Channel



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:

Royce Vick 3724 Shelby Dr. Ft. Worth, TX 76109-2733

2014 Reunion Preview

We are less than 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.



Map of Springfield and surroundings. Branson is just south of Springfield. We are planning a fun night out in Branson for our reunion week.



Located in downtown Springfield in the Jordan Valley Park area, and near both Drury and Missouri State Universities, the University Plaza Hotel and Convention Center Springfield is surrounded by great restaurants, lounges, coffee shops, art galleries, unique retail stores and theaters.

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2013 VETERANS DAY GATHERING IN WASHINGTON D.C.

For our 2013 Veterans Day Gathering in Washington, DC the association has reserved a block of rooms at the Holiday Inn National Airport (www.hinationalairport.com) in Arlington, VA (Crystal City area). The hotel is located one mile from the Reagan National Airport and three blocks from the nearest Metro station.

The room rate is \$105 per night; parking is free; also there is a free shuttle to and from the airport. The hospitality room opens at 3 PM on Saturday, November 9 and runs through Monday, November 11.

Our banquet/dinner on Sunday evening, November 10, will be held at the hotel. The cost per head is \$45 including tax. The hotel will provide a cash bar during the dinner.

The block of rooms and room rates are effective from Saturday, November 9, 2013 through Monday, November 11, 2013. Hotel bookings should be made with the hotel by October 10, 2013. Reservations made after that date will be accepted on a space available

When making reservations please identify yourself as part of the 5/7 Cavalry Association. The hotel has provided the following web ☆ address so you can book directly from the Internet:

http://www.holidayinn.com/hotels/us/en/arlington/wasdc/hoteldetail?groupCode=BAT

The group booking code is BAT.

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- The toll free phone number for booking with the hotel is 888-294-5059 or you can call direct to the hotel at 703-684-7200.
- All family and guests are welcome at the November 10 banquet/dinner. You do not have to stay in the hotel to join in. Only thing we ask is that you let Karl Haartz know if you plan to attend the dinner and you entre selection..

- Please call Karl on 603-726-7080 or e-mail him at cav571vpkk@roadrunner.com.
- We are looking forward to a great turnout. Last year we had over 150 people join in the dinner at the Holiday Inn. Garry Owen, See you in DC!!!

Financial Report

by Royce Vick

Dues Recorded Since Last Newsletter

First	Last	Amt	Year
New Memi		7 11 11 1	. Jul
Robert	Brill	\$50	2017
Frederick	Brodosi	\$30	2015
Ronald	Carter	\$20	2014
Charles T	Clanton	\$20	2014
Manuel	Demello	\$20	2014
James	Dinsmore	\$20	2014
Shawn T	Eaton	\$0	AD
Bill W	Evans	\$20	2014
Steven W	Fowler	\$20	2014
John M	Fuhs	\$20	2014
Morgan J	Fullerton	\$20	2014
Randolph	Ganhinhin	\$20	2014
David M	Gray	\$10	2013
Robert A	Hartley	\$20	2014
Jeremy E	Jeffrey	\$0	AD
David P	Lauck	\$25	2017
Harold	Messinger	\$30	2015
Dana	Owens	\$30	2015
Derwin	Puckerin	\$0	AD
James	Richardson	\$30	2017
Gerald K	Robinson	\$20	2014
Frank E	Taylor	\$20	2014
Lewis E	Wagner	\$20	2014
Member U	pdate		
Ralph L	Andresen	\$50	2015
Peter	Ballo	\$100	2023
Timothy F	Bower	\$20	2014
Neil	Bright	\$100	2022
Peter D	Davis	\$30	2015
Richard	Demaio	\$20	2016
Johnny W	Eason	\$30	2015
Michael P	Elliott	\$20	2014
George R	Fernandez	\$30	2016
Howard	Foreman	\$30	2015
Kenneth	Frolek	\$80	2014
Carey L	Gillis	\$60	2018
Thomas R	Gordon	\$40	2016
William J	Grimshaw	\$10	2014
David R	Hertz	\$50	2017
Greg J	Hughes	\$30	2015
Tim	Kasprowicz	\$100	2022
Carlton D	Lee	\$100	2021
Charles T	Lesher 	\$10	2014
Edd	Lewis	\$100	2022
Thomas J	Meehan	\$50	2017
Jerry	Mitchell	\$100	2023
James R	Patrick	\$30	2013

This has been an interesting period of time for the Association. Shipley and Karl have devised a plan to locate potential new members for the Association. Don has located many more who have not yet joined but maybe they will at a future date. This has increased our normal postage expense. Even Maury and Billy Smith, our member in Florida, have brought in new members. Billy sent in two new members. He also pays dues for others throughout the year. Billy is a very special member.

Norman LLoyd made a donation of 500 copies of the documentary "Commitment and Sacrifice" to the troopers of the 5th Squadron 7th Cavalry. The Association sent Norman a check for \$209 to cover the cost of postage and handling.

The Association worked with LTC Christopher Jones, Squadron Commander, 5/7 Cav, 1BDE, 3ID in the purchase of three plaque frames honoring their three fallen troopers. These will be displayed in the area of the Squadron Hqs used for similar displays of those killed in earlier deployments. The cost of the plaques was \$650. LTC Jones sent a message that the entire Squadron truly appreciates our continued support.

Larry D Budge has been working with the National Army Museum Fund so that we could buy a brick for the Association and the Squadron. The cost was \$500 for each brick. Larry wrote the inscription that will appear on each brick. More information about these bricks will be in other articles in the BUGLE.

We have received nearly \$1,000 in donations during this time period. Many of the donations were directed that they are to be used to cover the cost of the bricks. Any donation will be honored as per your request.

Don't forget the reunion. Make your reservations. Save a few dollars to spend in Springfield. A big GARRY OWEN to all.

Royce

Dues Since Last Newsletter (Cont'd)

First	Last	Amt	Year
Howard	Pinder	\$10	2014
Harold P	Powell	\$20	2014
Ray	Saucedo	\$40	2016
Gregory A	Schlieve	\$40	2016
Billy	Smith	\$10	2014
Henry	Soza Jr	\$50	2016
Albert	Vculek	\$40	2016
Robert	Wolaver	\$10	2014
TOTAL		\$1,875	

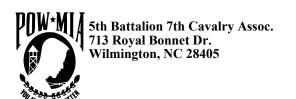
* Brick for Battalion ** Brick for Brigade

DONATIONS

James	Brennan	\$50
Neil	Bright	\$500
Peter D	Davis	\$25
Jacob B	DeBoard	\$30
Ray	Helton	\$100 *
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Bertrand	McAlister	\$50
Thomas J	Meehan	\$50
Ernie	Mezich	\$5
Donald	Phares	\$25 *
Robert	Wolaver	\$5
TOTAL		\$940

FUNDS BALANCE

APRIL 2013 BAL: CHECKING AND SAVINGS	\$11,389
EXPENSES	
PX Supplies	(\$1,931)
Postage	(\$821)
Memorial Day Wreath - the Wall	(\$213)
May Newsletter	(\$1,515)
Office Supplies	(\$69)
Commitment and Sacrifice Foundation	(\$209)
Victory Trophy	(\$650)
National Museum	(\$1,000)
TOTAL EXPENSES	(\$6,408)
INCOME	
Dues, Donations, PX, DVD	\$3,332
Savings Interest	\$1.73
Certificate of Deposit Interest	\$53
TOTAL INCOME	\$3,387
AUGUST 2013 BAL: CHECKING AND SAVINGS	\$8,368
CERTIFICATE OF DEPOSIT	\$45,000
ALL ACCOUNTS BALANCE	\$53,368



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