



## **5 /7 Cavalry Association News**

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## **PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

Each time I find myself in the company of men like you -- whether in person or by email, whether at a Reunion or in Washington to honor our lost troopers – I am renewed in spirit and in gratitude for you and your unyielding patriotism and for your unwavering commitment to each other. You inspire me now as you did on the battlefield so many years ago.

Many of you feel the same way, I know. What all of us need to do is never miss an opportunity to get in touch with our buddies on a regular basis. It will lift them up and it will brighten your day every time you do it.

As we near the Christmas season, I pray you and your families have a blessed and reflective time together; and, that you enter the new year with good health and happiness. Take care of yourselves and your families.

God Bless You. Garry Owen! Maury



5th Battalion 7th Cavalry Association: 2014 Veterans Day

# "KRAZY" Karl's Report

#### HOPE YOU ALL HAD A GREAT THANKSGIVING, (BURP)!

I don't really know how to start this article but nothing seems to be happening here at the 1<sup>st</sup> vice president's desk. Over the last 14 years our association has grown through your communications. Nothing more but good old communication and in the last 6 months this has stopped. After Reunion 12 communications did drop off which I expected. Communications usually come back during the run up to our DC gathering on Veterans Day and yet this year the phone lines and the e-mails fell way off. I guess everyone believes this operation is on auto pilot. But that is really far from the truth. I get a real boost out of talking and communicating with you guys so don't leave me alone up here in the New Hampshire woods without ringing my bell every now and then. Besides dealing with your needs and wants and ideas helps keep me out of Carol's hair. The reunion site team for 2016 has been a one man show run by Allen o far. He reported in DC that Savannah has opted out of the possible venues as the Marriott in Savannah could not get their management to go along with our

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# "KRAZY" Karl's Report (cont'd)

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Hospitality Room concept of serving our own beverages. I have not gotten involved in the site selection yet for 2016. Maybe as we get closer to the date I'll get integrated into the process. Allen will have more to report on the 2016 site selection later in this newsletter.

<u>Veterans Day After Action Report</u> – We had 101 members come to dinner at the Holiday Inn Express in Arlington on Nov 10<sup>th</sup>. This count was off by 1/3 from the last 2 years. After dinner Norman Lloyd showed the latest version of his film, "Fallen, But Not Forgotten." He had a little problem with the sound system and it was 10:30 before we got done. The overall outcome is that Norman has again gone to great lengths to make this a great film.

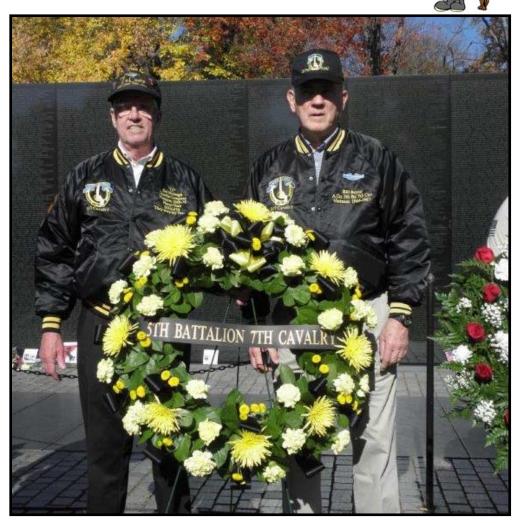
The financial end of the gathering was not as great. We had one no show and 4 others that decided to go elsewhere after we had added them to the dinner count at noon time. We had to pay for these dinners and that being the case we didn't quite break even monetarily (first time ever).

Also at the Dinner I announced my intention to step down from the 1<sup>st</sup> VP position effective close of business, Saturday evening of Reunion 13. This gives everyone 18 months to put the transition team in place and I will gladly work with whomever and whenever they wish to start. You don't have to wait for the election. Talk with the board of directors and nominating committee.

On Veterans Day morning, November 11, we all gathered at the kiosk across from the Lincoln Memorial and had our photo taken. The weather was fantastic with bright sunny skies and warm temperatures in the 60s. It was a beautiful day. Our wreath bearers this year were Bill Boyce and Joe McVeigh. Great job guys (see their photo below). Thanks guys for volunteering.

### Merry Christmas & Happy New Year, "Krazy" Karl

PS - Carol and I will be travelling to California this February. There is one mini reunion in the planning stages which will be in Phoenix, AZ the weekend of February 21 &22. Not sure which day yet.



Joe McVeigh and Bill Boyce

# **MEMBERSHIP VP**

### Happy Seasons Greetings to All!

Into another winter we go plenty of time to use those rosters with phone # on them to call old friends and chat about past reunions and future plans. Yes we still make future plans were not that old as yet! As for travels I just returned and Karen is just preparing to leave again. It's cold in Illinois and warm in the Caribbean.

The directors are still working on a final site for next reunion 2016, and I had to miss DC this year. But anywhere the reunion goes, it is we will have a great reunion. For Nam group, It will be 50 years for a few of us that jumped off that first landing Craft Aug 66. And 45 years plus for those that followed. And 12 years since the first Iraq group departed these shores. Come on guys it's time to begin the step up. Some of us old guys are getting old faster than you may think. 4 years and a few months in Nam and Three trips to Iraq and one to Afghanistan, and hoping not another all expense paid trip to the far east before next reunion. If that would happen, it could be a waste to have the reunion in the Deep Southeast again so soon.

Membership is at an all time high even though Royce says Dues are slowing since reunion and will pick up again as Winter come on and everyone has time to catch up. In spite of ourselves we are still finding people that have remained in the shadows for years and new names coming of orders still.

From Karen & Me, Happy Holidays to everyone! Be safe! We love you all!

## Letters

#### 2014 REUNION REFLECTIONS – Vince Laurich

Our Reunion was great. I'm sure I had a smile on my face constantly once I got a bed. Gave up on quest for room as I neared crunch time. I was most thankful when I found a most gracious roommate. Bob Cronin is a stellar troop. For a while I thought I might just sleep in a chair and take up residence in the hospitality room. Some might say I tried. Things worked out as it usually does. Thanks and a smile does not cut it when I think about the monster A+ job done by the Committee and volunteers. They measure success by the numbers: first timers and totals. All who made the journey to Springfield validated/justified the efforts with a happy face and support, raffles, bar and advance dues. We can all benefit by recruiting more of our buds, share the fun. We're running out of time. If they can't make the big reunions, DC gathering on Veterans Day are smaller and special also.

Speaking of time, one volunteer **ED COON** to be known in the future as the Springfield Supply man worked his buns off. The first I caught up to him was on Sat night after dinner. ED, when did you get here? I've been here all week. No way. These guys kept me busy running around. Kudos to ED, a workhorse off the radar. Another notable nonstop person that seemed to be everywhere was **Pam Jamison**. Yea the lass seemed to be on roller skates, permanent smile, attached to raffle tickets and ten dollar bills, no change. No doubt the raffle revenue was enhanced with her contagious energy, sales savvy and kind words. She is a winner. Another deserving soul **is BOOKARD DOOLEY** (A68(69) who spent many hours in the Memorabilia room answering questions, researching and sharing battle reports. A labor of love.

GREG OLLOWAY (A 5/7 68) is the artist who has done the granite artwork often seen at our gatherings. This year he had donated a beautiful rendering on granite. It was a coveted prize. Very popular, reasonable priced, If you can describe it he can do it on a variety of media and sized to order, yea that good. He's doing it more frequently these days so if you have any interest, questions or special needs Greg's Email address is gregholloway46@gmail.com

Most attendees spent hours in the hospitality room. All good with friends, families, old photos, etc. It is a happy place. They probably never realize that there is a special place at every reunion where the swell people, the characters gather. No, it's not the bar. It's the hospitality annex where you are guaranteed every year to meet new people, world class story tellers, diverse opinions, engaging personalities with awesome life experience. So I suggest you get outside next time, check the stars and take in the sunshine. Certainly a lot more happening outdoors than just a few gate guads, doormen, walkers and old smokers. It's another world: simple, diff than a ten person table. You meet folks easily with a smile or a nod. You get the skinny, find out who didn't make it, etc. Whys and where's. Any question finds answers. I'm a city kid from Philly and I learned about oil rigs, cows, poachers, rustlers, and bull riding, snakes, varmints and hunted critters, ranches and farms, trucks and road building, finance and insurance. I think I want to visit **Buffalo**, **Mo**. Think they have fish ponds. Yes I did hear some stories I can't repeat or remember. I met a dynamic young priest from Iowa with a winning way and interesting perspective on life. Very impressive considering his youth. With guys like him as future leaders we have hope. I also met **FROGS FAN CLUB**, a father and son team from Chicago. And four super **first timers from Eco 68/69** who showed me that LT bashing is still in vogue. Must be an Eco thing w Bill Moore setting bad example (Maybe coached by a Cowboy). One thought I reminded him of a comic. Honest John. Who the hell is that? Being an old guy I came home and used Google. He was right. Well Honest John is a big guy with a whit take that who talks fast. In my opinion Mortar Man Moody was the best dressed at the banquet. I'd be remiss if I didn't mention **MO and Raggs**, stalwarts at the post. And **Galen G** a man with many talents who gave me a sendoff at dawn on Sunday. Folks. I forgot some names but

Then we have the road trips Adventures to find a nearby Rite aid, food store or a targeted restaurant. Over the years I prefer to park and walk for the next few days. Most of the time that works. But somehow at least once my guys decide on a faraway restaurant. Good food wasn't the attraction; they wanted to tip waiters who throw bread at you. Huh. Go figure. So we end up in a two car caravan with eleven people and 6 GPS tools. Four w the hand held unit all giving directions at once, wife being ignored despite telling driver to listen. Chaos. In this case we drove an hour plus w mulit turns: bad turns, wrong turns, missed turns, no turns and U turns before the driver/point man gave up, wilted, quit and waved car #2 around. And we start the drill all over w renewed vigor. Like always we find our objective or change it stumbling and bumbling along 2 acre full parking lot w 1 ½ hr wait. No way. So we meandered, found a small rib joint, no wait, plenty of bread to eat and some local veterans (one was a Marine…poor dude) for yuks and conversation. A fun time. And it only took 10 minutes to get back to base. We laughed a lot. Sound familiar. A mystery question for our next gathering in DC. Did anyone see Norman L in the daytime? I'm convince the man doesn't sleep if it's dark outside. Maybe it's a cultural

A mystery question for our next gathering in DC. Did anyone see Norman L in the daytime? I'm convince the man doesn't sleep if it's dark outside. Maybe it's a cultural thing, an internal clock. Probably working the phones, writing or working a project. He's an amazing fellow, a gift to our organization. But year after year he seems to get more energized in the wee hours with the mischievous grin. I'm jealous and I'm a night person. I'll be in DC in Nov, Mon/Tues.

Each reunion is great, unique in some way. Different because the people and venue change, we get older, newcomers, first timer's fire us up, create a renewal of sorts. But each year someone or something makes it extra special. At least for me. This year it was interacting with the young studs from the Squadron (Josh, Jake, Beau, Joel, Wheels, Rob, other names are lost for now). They were incredible folks. In spite of the revelry I was aware; knew it was novel experience. Thinking it was a classic like the time machine. Was I that bright back in the day? No way. Articulate? Confident? Professional? Personable? Enthused? Probably not, doubtful others maybe but I wish it were so. Still listening to them was like a walk in the past recalling when I was indestructible, brash, young w/o experience yet had no fear (not true), more confidence than sense. But these guys are different much better in many ways besides the obvious technology, training and equipment. In Charlie's book GREY HORSE TROOP he made frequent comparisons. One of more importance now for me was 5/7 Squadron A troop 1<sup>st</sup> Platoon (2004) and A Co 1<sup>st</sup> plt (1968 my platoon)). Two platoons, diff era, circumstances, equipment, etc. And me and my guys got to spend some time with that young platoon leader (Josh Rambo) and his peers forty six years later. All after the Friday banquet. Sounds like a book or movie theme. The young and the old. Few hours? 4AM. The next night more of the same. I got time to talk more with the others. Only made it to 2:30 or so when I skipped out. I had early revile. (It was a tough travel day.) And CB and Norman were still there. There is more to this 5/7Squadron story maybe for next time. Some

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invitations, promised were made; they are a party hard bunch (We were too back in the day) and DC was mentioned

So upon reflection on my flight home and after Reunion was definitely time well spent. My guys were with me. I met new folks and grew closer still with old friends. Another life experience. Unbelievable good stuff. The more I think about the young guys. They have it together and unlike me (us) have a lifetime ahead of them. If my few hours with them is any indication, I'm confident it will be a life well lived. I'm grinning because I'm happy for them. Happy CB finished that book. Also glad I read it and had a few hours to get to know them a little bit. The opportunity to share our stories, listen and learn from them. It may be trite but I believe they are the wave of the future. That's positive, a blessing; I need that reinforcement these days to overcome media gloom and doom. And I hope others all get opportunities down the road to spend more time with them, their peers, and other young vets. They have a lot to share and want to hear your stories. I know I'll seek them out. Think Savannah might be a marathon. A great choice.



Share your stories with your buds, bring a bud to DC and Colorado.

I'll be in DC in Nov, Mon/Tues GARRYOWEN, Vince Laurich



The second week of October found 13 original members of A Company 5/7, several accompanied by their wives, travelling to Blountstown, in the Florida panhandle. The purpose of the trip was to attend a surprise party for A.J. Wise, our highly respected company commander, on his 80th birthday. A local celebration in his honor, of which he was aware, was planned by his wife Jackie for Saturday night at the Blountstown Civic Center.

A.J. had no idea (we hoped) that Friday would feature a surprise party with his A company troopers at the Wise home.

Upon our stealthy arrival on Friday, as we gathered in the yard, Jackie lured A.J. out to the garage. Opening the door he was faced with a large crowd of his A company family, plus several of his own family members, singing a loud chorus of Happy Birthday. It was obvious that Jackie's effort at secrecy had succeeded. After a round of emotional greetings the rest of the evening was spent visiting and enjoying a fantastic meal prepared by A.J.'s son in law Thomas.

The next evening, Saturday, a much larger function was held at the local Civic Center. Once again the A Company group arrived together and filed into the banquet room to the chords of Garry Owen and the applause of the crowd. Our first order of business was to each sign a large portrait of A.J. taken in the early days of his military career.

After another of Thomas' mess hall masterpieces, he took to the microphone to invite any guests who desired to speak of their experiences with A.J. Four A Company members, Ed Canady, Jim Harmon, Ed Raciborski and Joe Williams spoke eloquently of A.J.'s attributes and his influences on all our lives.

The highlight came when the people closest to A.J. proceeded to speak. Children, Grandchildren, other family members, friends and neighbors and any one who interacted with him.

I don't know where one could go to hear more sincere and moving testimonials to the life of a good man. Very impressive.

The evening was rounded out with music, dancing and karaoke. The last which brought our own Jim Harmon and Larry Reel to the stage, accompanied by several of the younger folks.

Sunday morning we departed the sunshine state with the thought in mind of gathering in Michigan next summer for our usual off year reunion.

Deepest thanks to A.J. and Jackie and their family for their outstanding hospitality. Jackie, you did a great job pulling this off. From all the A Company folks, a further "Thank You!" for including us in celebrating A.J.'s milestone birthday.

The A company members in attendance were Ed Canady, Jim Harmon, Bob Matulac, Bill Purdy, Gene Cross, Jim Hardenburg, Larry Reel, Ed Raciborski, Jim Hirschuber, Chester Millay, John Kruetzkamp, Joe Williams and Mike Walker.

### 5/7Cav PX

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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
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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
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### PX News

The PX has lots of inventory of shirts, hats and pins. Be sure to contact John Goodpaster to get you orders in before Christmas. John's contact info is shown on the bottom left of this page.

Also don't forget Karl Haartz has jackets that you can order, both light weight and heavier weight versions. When ordering let Karl know how you want your name and unit displayed on the jacket. The CIB can also be embroidered on the left front and the crossed sabers can be ordered for the back of the jacket. Karl can also order the CAB embroidered on the jackets for the 5th Squadron troops along with the 3rd ID patch sewn on the right shoulder. Send Karl an e-mail at cav571vpkk@roadrunner.com or call Karl direct on his cell: 603-530-2399. Karl can provide pictures that show how the jacket will look.

## **NEW 5/7 CAVALRY ASSOCIATION FLAG**

Hi Everyone, Just thought I would give you an update on our new 5/7 Cav. Association Flag. When we left the San Antonio Reunion two years ago we thought it would be nice to have a flag that would represent the troops that are carrying our colors now and also our 5/7 members from earlier days. So with the help of Suzy and John Long we came up with the design of this flag that we thought you might like. We are going to sell them through the PX for \$50 and that includes shipping. They are 3' x 5', with an infantry blue background. To order one all you have to do is contact John Goodpaster. (Goody's contact info is located on the bottom left of this page.)

The flag would make a good present this Christmas for those who are hard to buy for on your list. We have had fun designing it so hope you enjoy it. We will make a few dollars of each flag that will go back into the PX fund.

If you do not have a pole to fly it on, we can still give you the same deal as at the reunion. If you need a flag pole, you can order that through me, Harold "Hoss" Dannewitz. These are the same telescopic flag poles that were given away at the reunion. (My e-mail is shown on page 2 in the Directory).

Happy Holidays to everyone,







### 2016 REUNION NEWS UPDATE

Right after the 2014 Reunion in Springfield the search was on for hotels that could support our reunion for 2016. The top three 2016 sites selected by members attending the Friday Business Meeting were 1. Savannah, 2. Colorado Springs/Denver and 3. LA/San Diego area.

All three of these areas have been contacted and so far we have learned that the Marriott hotel in Savannah has elected to take it itself out of the running as they do not want to authorize us to serve our own beverages in the Hospitality room.

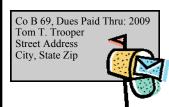
We do have active proposals from the Marriott in Colorado Springs and the Crowne Plaza located near the Denver Airport. We also have an enquiry that came for the San Diego Marriott Mission Valley. We're still waiting to hear if the Mission Valley Marriott will make a proposal.

Once all the proposals are in and confirmed the Association Officers will review them and get back to you with a firm proposal.

Stay tuned. We'll keep you posted by posting new information on our web site: www.cav57.org.

#### 5/7 Cavalry Association Facebook Page

Check out our 5/7 Cavalry Association web page on FACEBOOK. Photos of our Springfield Reunion and our 2014 Veterans Day Gathering are posted on the Facebook Page. If you have never used FACEBOOK type in "Facebook " in the Google search box and the Facebook web site will appear. Once you have done that type "5/7 Cavalry Association" in the search window and our Facebook page will appear. Once there you will be able to access all the photos from the Springfield Reunion and the 2014 Veterans Day gathering in DC.



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# "The M.I.A.'s on Tiger Mountain" —- formerly "Fallen But Not Forgotten"

Many of our 5/7 Cav Association members are aware that I have been working on a documentary film about the 5/7 Cav air assaulting onto Tiger Mountain in the A Shau Valley during operation Delaware on the 19th April 1968. The mission was to cut the road leading into Laos used by the NVA as the main infiltration route into the northern provinces of South Vietnam.

During that mission D Company of the 5/7 Cav suffered heavy casualties including MIAs: (Danniel Kelley, David Scott and Hubia Guillroy) and the 1/9 Cav lost a three man crew from a bird shot down that day: Richard Martin, Donald Jervais, and Warren Whitmier also MIAs.

In 2009 I joined Mike Sprayberry, Don Phares, Larry Collins, Bruce Jones and Chuck Kinnie on their return trip into the A Shau Valley and to Tiger Mountain looking for evidence to convince JPAC (Joint Pacific Accounting Command) to do an excavation and hopefully recover the remains of our 5/7 Cav MIA's as well as the remains of 1/9 Cav crew lost that day. The trip resulted in finding evidence of the shot down 1/9 chopper and gave all hope that the area they were searching would eventually turn up even more hard evidence of the MIAs. To date however the effort to convince JPAC to continue the search in that area as proved difficult.

Since that 2009 trip an initial version of the film was completed and was screened on the Discovery Channel on Veterans Day 2011. The screening reached many veterans and influential people in the military but unfortunately the priorities of JPAC were not revised to continue the search in the area on Tiger Mountain highlighted by the return of the 5/7 Cav veterans in 2009.

We have not lost site of that objective and the effort to produce an updated version of the film which we can all be proud of with new interviews, re-cut sequences, added artwork and improved sound and music editing is nearing its final stages. This updated version is being re-titled as "The M.I.A.'s on Tiger Mountain. However the cost to complete this final version is estimated to total \$20,000. Presently I have a fund balance of \$4,000 and I'm reaching out to other sources as well as 5/7 Cav members for your support.

For people who would like to Donate, any amount will be appreciated \$10.00 - \$20.00. If people can be more generous that would be wonderful. All donations are tax deductible. The Commitment and Sacrifice Foundation is a 501-C-3 non-profit entity and the Federal Tax ID # is 68-0664358. Thank you for your support, Norman

# **2014 VETERANS DAY IN NEW BLOOMFIELD, PA**

John Long, Larry Nunez, Karl Haartz and Patrick Fox took on the Color Guard responsibility for the community Veterans Day Celebration and parade in New Bloomfield, PA on November 10. They were the proud representatives of the 5th Battalion 7th Cavalry Association in a community where residents value the contributions of all veterans.

Larry Nunez was over whelmed by the outpouring of patriotism in this small community that John and Suzy Long call home. Larry said "no one back home in my area of California displays this much caring for veterans. I am totally blown away by this showing of respect and admiration for our troops active and retired."

The New Bloomfield Community responded with great cheers for our color guard when they appeared on the Veterans Day Parade route. Not only did they cheer them on but at the end of the parade they presented them with a special trophy thanking them for their service and for being there. Way to go guys you really deserve a special thanks from all of us.

As many of you know John and Suzy were always willing to open their home to our association members when we first started to gather for



Veterans Day in DC. At that time their home was located near Ft. Meade, MD and it was not that long a journey to go to their home and enjoy Suzy's fabulous home cooking before returning to our respective hotels the night before gathering at The Wall.

And those times when Willie and Peggy Mercer were house guests of Suzy and John's the cooking really took on a special flare. Willie and Suzie together, cooking in the kitchen, made the aromas and flavors even more spectacular.

This year John and Suzy invited Karl and Carol, Larry and Sheryl and Patrick and Sue to come share some good time fellowship for a special Veterans Day celebration. Not only did they participate in the New Bloomfield Community celebration but they all came to DC to join with the larger 5/7 Cav gathering at the Holiday Inn Express in Arlington.

It is a great pleasure to report on these types of get -togethers. So in the future if you and your buddies organize special gatherings don't forget to let the editor know. The newsletter is a great place to let others know what is going on in our association especially in those off years when we're not having one of our reunions. Garry Owen!

# **Financial Report**

# by Royce Vick

## **DUES PAID**

NEW MEMBERS			
Collins	Shaun C		AD
Lenon	Levi Q	\$20	2014
MEMBER UPDATE			
Boyd	Don	\$20	2014
Dowser	James W	\$30	2015
Eastland	Bobby	\$40	2018
Feldkamp	Eugene	\$40	2017
Fitch	Gerald	\$20	2015
Foster	Raynard	\$60	2020
Gogets	John	\$100	2020
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Hoffer	Gary L	\$80	2021
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Mason	Lonnie D	\$30	2017
Miller	Clifton E	\$50	2016
Milligan	Michael	\$50	2017
Montalbano	John	\$50	2018
Pinder	Howard	\$10	2015
Richardson	James	\$10	2018
Sanford	Terry L	\$30	2016
Seymour	John P	\$20	2017
Shaw	Robert F	\$20	2015
Smith	Billy	\$10	2015
Soza	Henry	\$50	2021
TOTAL DUES		\$950	

# DONATIONS

Last	First	Amt
Fitch	Jerry	\$5.00
Gonzales	Juan	\$5.00
Katz	Sidney	\$50.00
McKibben	Sue A *	\$50.00
Milligan	Michael	\$150.00
Smith	Billy **	\$20.00
TOTAL		\$280.00

## **FUNDS BALANCE**

July 2014 Balance All Accounts	\$70,997
INCOME	
Dues	\$950
Donations	\$280
РХ	\$396
Interest	\$23
TOTAL INCOME	\$1,649
EXPENSES	
Reunion Refunds	(\$420)
Balance University Plaza Hotel	(\$9,405)
PX Supplies	(\$1,192)
Heckley Printing	(\$1,023)
Flowers Veterans Day	(\$298)
Alcohol Permit for Vet's Day Gathering	(\$150)
Purchase CD's	(\$55,000)
TOTAL EXPENSES	(\$67,488)
BALANCE CHECKING AND SAVINGS	\$5,158
CERTIFICATE OF DEPOSITS	\$55,000
October 2014 Balance All Accounts	\$65,316

Seasons greetings to each and everyone. What a great year. A memorable convention with lots of new members and wonderful hotel facilities and food. We ended up financially in an outstanding condition. We even spent Association funds to reduce attendees cost but still came home with more on deposit than when the reunion started.

New Years Resolution. Pay your dues current and start saving for the next reunion. We have several battalion flags for sale. Maybe a gift for that hard to please person. Contact Goody for details.

A special thanks for the many emails and notes I receive each year.

Garry Owen, Royce

\*Sue McKibben made donation in memory of Steve McKibben.

\*\* Billy Smith made \$20 donation to honor active dutySGM Craig Allen and CSM Kerry Dyer



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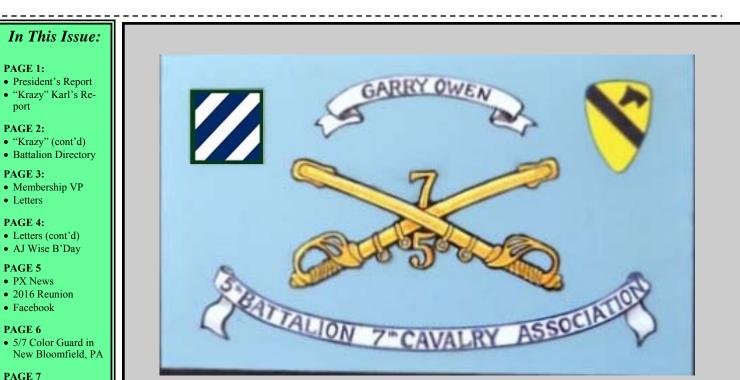
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