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Hello Troopers,

Good News ... there are no reports of Association Brothers or family members hit by the elusive enemy COVID 19. As we know our usual procedures for Officer transition was disrupted and did cause some consternation. Not to worry though as we are 'Always Ready', the changeover for June 2020 thru June 2022 is now in place. I am honored to serve as President for the term 2020-2022. Vice President is yet to be determined. Funds have been transferred to new Treasurer Gary W. Pezzuti and Thomas Crabtree is serving as Crossed Sabers Editor, Historian and Association Secretary, Division 12th Cavalry Column Scribe.

We have been strapped getting information out the past six months due to Web Site inactivity. Thomas Murray initially stepped up to assume the responsibility, met with some unexpected circumstances demanding his time, which in (See Pg 2)

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Words “will not allow me to do justice to the program.” However, the upside is, an ‘Always Ready Trooper’ has stepped in to help us out. FRED WILSON, SGT D Company 2d-12th, 1970-1971 Vietnam and Cambodia will be our designated Web Site Master with expert guidance from his daughter JOCELYN who is completing her Masters Degree in Computer Science at University Ohio in Athens, is designing and developing a new and updated Web Site for us. Many Thanks to FRED and JOCELYN for offering to help with this important project.



COL JAMES W. DINGEMAN HCOR (COL RET)
HONORARY COL 12th CAVALRY REGIMENT
BATTALION COMMANDER 2d-12th Cavalry 68-69

GREETINGS TO THE 12TH CAVALRY FAMILY:

What a Year 2020 has been, eh? One could almost feel that he has been in TET 68 with attacks from all

Around in an unexpected instance. Difference being that at least then...we had some idea of when and from where the attack might come. Sylvia and I remain bunkered in Alexandria, VA and are blessed to not have been hit by the enemy. We pray all are safe and protecting themselves until ‘The Force’ is repelled.

Looking forward to gathering with 12TH Cavalry Family next year September 2020 in Killeen/Ft Hood for FIRST CAVALRY DIVISION 100TH BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION 13 September 1921. Note too that 12TH CAVALRY 120TH BIRTHDAY is 2 February 2021. It will be a year for some great get togethers. Looking forward to seeing you all then.

I want to commend the effort put into developing and designing our new 12TH Cavalry Web Site. First stage of the new site is a modern and updated (See Pg 3)

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TREASURER NOTES



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| GARY W. PEZZUTI TROOPER SUPPORT FUND | \$ 3,125.98 |
| D CO 1st-12th 67-68 GENERAL FUND | \$ 8,484.16 |
| 16 Voight Lane BALANCE TOTAL | \$11,610.98 |
| Layfayette, NJ 07848 | |
| 973-875-3300 | |

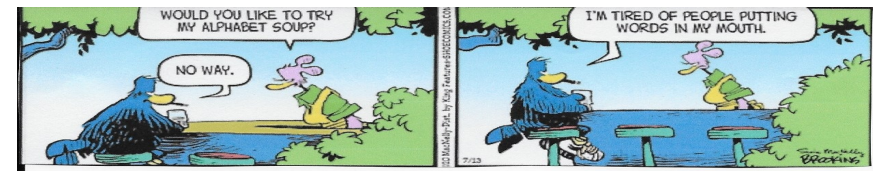
Left \$200.00 with Klaus Lachmann to cover any unexpected costs from previous transaction made by him. Look for letter regarding dues updates to be mailed soon. When You update dues, provide any changes in your information with mailing addresses, emails, phone numbers. New directory will be printed in 2021 as soon as we have received your information, THANK YOU!

FIDLERS GREEN

8 JUL 2021...ERNIE CRANK C COMPANY 1/12 (ABN) 1965-1966

1 OCT 2020...DWIGHT D.EDWARDS D COMPANY 1/12 (ABN) 1965-1966

SLOW HAND SALUTE...SEE YA’LL WHEN WE GET THERE ‘BOOT to BOOT’



“May the Chief Chopper Pilot Hover over us, the Original Paratrooper eliminate our T10 Malfunctions, the Head Point man keep us in the Assigned AO”! ‘BOOT to BOOT’ and SEMPER PARATUS!

CRABTREE OUT...C 1-12 (ABN) 1966-6967 (TLC)

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WEB SITE:

JOCELYN WILSON is working diligently, currently extracting information from the previous template and uploading to the new design. It is being done by segments to assure that no information will be lost from the transfer. She currently is doing the Memorial Page, next transfer will be the History Page. Once all segments have been inserted to new template it will be registered as 12TH CAVALRY REGIMENT ASSOCIATION and the previous set up rescinded and deleted from current hosting site. On the new set up, there will be a forum page for discussion and to post notices of interest to our fellow Troopers. To visit the ongoing developing site go to...<https://chevychik21.wixsite/12thcav>.

REUNION:

15TH ANNUAL 12TH CAVALRY REUNION is now scheduled for 10-14 NOV! The decision to shift to Veterans Week seemed to be more convenient given the circumstances we all face right now. Most communities big and small across the country have cancelled their usual activities this year. We have been fortunate here in Branson area and the City and Taney County Officials decided to go ahead as planned. Area health officials have reported 1,117 cases, recovered 876, deaths 31 as of today (14 OCT 2020).

There is a masking mandate while in public places, primarily inside facilities such as Hotels and restaurants. Exceptions made while eating, dining. In the show theatres seating is spaced and masking throughout the show is a personal choice. All service employees in eating establishments are required to mask for customer protection.

We have masks ordered for our event, special commemorative. Three Ply, 100% Cotton...Made in America. Ordered 100, some were sent out by special request. These will be available when You sign in at the Reunion Hospitality Room. Mask Photo on page six, reunion registration form next page...(See Pg 5)

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15TH ANNUAL 12TH CAVALRY REUNION

10-14 NOV 2020

WELK RESORT 1984 State Highway 165

Branson, MO 65616

ROOM RESERVATIONS 800-808-9355/417-337-9200 REF GP # 604821

ROOM RATES \$89.00 plus tax (\$99.96) per night per couple includes Breakfast

Add \$10.00 each additional guest per room (includes breakfast)

MAKE ROOM RESERVATIONS NLT 23 OCT 2020

EVENTS

TUE 10 NOV 1000 HRS REGISTRATION OPENS...\$25.00 TROOPER ONLY helps cover Name Tags alcohol, drinks, snacks, ladies SAT MORNING Special.

WED 11 NOV 1100 HRS...VETERANS DAY PARADE Downtown Branson 11/11/11 Veterans Day Parade (12TH Cav might have float entered).

WED 11 NOV 1730 HRS (530PM) Welcome Reception Dinner Mexican Plate \$17.00 Per Person Branson Vacation TV will be there Short Clip Interviews.

THU 12 NOV 1400 HRS Christmas Show Hits of the 60s \$22.00 Per Person after show meet at Land Shark for Dinner Prices from Menu (40% off) for Veterans.

FRI 13 NOV 1730 HRS (530PM) Hospitality Room 'Cook In" Burgers-Dogs and 'fixins' (In house music Carlisle Mahto B 1-12 6S6-67) \$20.00 Per Person.

SAT 14 NOV 1630 HRS Happy Hour/Photos 1730 HRS Banquet Plated Served Thanksgiving Fare \$25.00 Per Person Roast Turkey/Glazed Black Forest Ham/ all the trimmings /pumpkin pie/pecan pie. If You paid \$32.00 for original Prime rib, You will receive \$7.00 refund each. Change in Banquet menu seemed best for time of the season and given we are still kicking. Registration form (See Pg 6)

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NOTES: Health Department Regulations prevent Buffet Style Serving during COVID 19. We have our Hospitality area and Patio exclusive to us. Entrance will be through Patio Doors and Breakfast will be ordered from provided menu. Servers will replenish your plate as many times as the stomach will take. This is included in the room rate. ALL Service Personnel wear masks for our protection and per mandate. Masks not required for us while dining and we play it by ear in other events.

REGISTRATION FORM

TROOPER ONLY FEE \$25.00...Covers Nametags, Drinks, Snacks in Hospitality Room and Ladies SAT BRUNCH information meeting...DAV Representative will provide guidance and advice for end of life concerns when we the Troopers cross over.

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| WED 11th Welcome Reception 1730 HRS (530PM) | \$17.00 each AMT_____ |
| THU 12th Christmas Show 1400 HRS (200PM) | \$22.00 each AMT_____ |
| FRI 13th Hospitality 'Cook In' 1730 HRS (530PM) | \$20.00 each AMT_____ |
| SAT 14th Banquet Thanksgiving 1630 HRS (430PM) | \$25.00 each AMT_____ |
| TROOPER ONLY REGISTRATION FEE | \$25.00..... AMT_____ |
| | TOTAL AMT_____ |

TROOPER NAME /GIUESTS_____

UNIT DATES IN COUNTRY (DY/MO/YR)_____

CELL PHONE/HOME PHONE/EMAIL_____

CHECKS PAYABLE 12TH CAVALRY REUNION BRANSON...MAIL TO: THOMAS/MAGGIE CRABTREE 195 BUZZ STREET # 18, BRANSON, MO 65616-6722 QUESTIONS THOMAS 432-853-4851 MAGGIE 432-853-4856... ... AVERAGE TEMPERATURE BRANSON NOV DAYTIME 58-62 NIGHT 40-45... Pack a SWEATER/MEDIUM or LIGHT-HEAVY JACKET (TLC)! (See Pg 7)

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Page with easy access to Newsletter, History Pages, Notes of interest and a Forum page for Trooper announcements and discussion. At first glance it appears complicated to us old cooties but when perused it will be clear and convenient for accessing whatever page you might want to view. Again, many THANKS to SGT FRED WILSON and JOCELYN for taking on this project. Our Web Site is an essential component for preserving and sustaining, the Trooper camaraderie we hold important to our history, current activities, and a legacy for the future. It is the HHC for 12TH CAVALRY ASSOCIATION.

Thomas has informed me that...12TH CAVALRY will reunion for the 15TH YEAR in Branson, 10-14 NOV 2020. It is good that we continue to meet with our Brothers and Sisters whenever possible. We have been faced with scenarios in Vietnam and hence, much worse than what we are dealing with now. However, I encourage all to exercise Common Sense, utilize Field Expediency and enjoy the event if You attend. Sylvia and I made a trek to South Carolina in the midst of the threat we face to attend our Grand Daughters wedding. It was an outdoor affair, with seating arranged for reasonable distancing. We all wore masks and were able to experience the joy and camaraderie of the occasion. Employing some basic tactics with a SEMPER PARATUS 'Always Ready' attitude will get us all through this.

I leave You with this...GO AS NEEDED or NECESSARY...WEAR MASKS WHEN and WHERE THEY ARE APPROPRIATE or REQUIRED...WASH HANDS...BUT...NOT DOWN TO THE BONES..."we need skin in the game", HA! 'How about those Reunion Masks, eh'..Sylvia says Hello and take care!

GOD BLESS

JIM DINGEMAN (COL RET)

HCOR

