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The 11th Armored Cavalry’s Veterans of Vietnam and Cambodia



On March 29, 2017 the Vietnam War Veterans Recognition Act of 2017 was signed into law, thereby establishing a day of national observance. This day is a way to thank and honor our nation’s Vietnam Veterans and their families for their service and sacrifice.

“All Gave Some - Some Gave All” is often quoted about Vietnam Veterans. 2.7 million U.S. service members served in Vietnam. Of that number 58,318 (as of Memorial Day 2017) whose names are memorialized on a black granite wall in our Nation’s capital, made the ultimate sacrifice; 304,000 were wounded and we still have 1,611

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Remembering Our Blackhorse Brothers

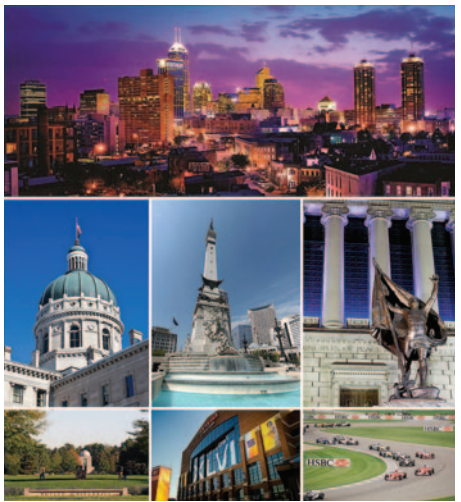


Blackhorse Veterans and active duty Blackhorse Troopers (CPT DiBianca and 1SGT Wheeler) assemble at the Tomb of the Unknowns to lay the Blackhorse wreath on Feb 2, 2020 for the 119th birthday of the Blackhorse

Indianapolis, IN. 2020 State of Reunion

With the nation facing the Corona Virus and its effects on our lives I know everyone is anxious for information on the status of this year’s reunion. A message concerning the current situation we are in was sent out via e-mail and social media to everyone we have contacts for and a request for those recipients to pass it along to their contacts. We have had 1000+ hits on our Facebook page seeking information since it was posted. To be sure everyone receives that message it is in this issue as a stand-alone article.

While no one knows what is going to happen in the next few months leading up to our planned reunion date the Officers of the 11ACVVC are planning to have the reunion on schedule, for now. It is a real possibility that that date will change and we are putting plans in place to address any scenario that may arise. To better understand what our options are I am asking everyone to make your hotel reservations and reunion registrations now. As always hotel reservation and reunion registrations can be cancelled with full refunds if done within the allowed time frames. We will keep everyone informed on any changes to these dates.



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President's Message

By Pete Walter

Fellow Troopers, this will be a difficult and vague message.

Difficult because I/you/we have never faced a situation like the one we face today as a nation and as human beings. Not since 1918 – 1920 has the United States encountered a pandemic that threatened to kill so many Americans. A message made even more difficult because COVID-19 (COrona VIRus Disease-2019) appears to be more deadly to folks in our age group. Indeed, it is entirely possible that one or more of our members may have already lost their battle with this disease.

Vague because we know so very little about what the future holds for us as members of the 11th ACVVC, as Americans and as human beings. Vague because anything written today in this message may have changed by the time you read it. Vague, because the leaders of this great organization are dedicated to doing their very best for you and right now we are not sure what we that is.

The 35th reunion of the 11th ACVVC is scheduled for Aug 26 - 30 at the J.W. Marriott in Indianapolis, Indiana. Vice President (Reunion Chairman) Frank Church and I have been in frequent conversation with our booking agent and as I type this the reunion is still on schedule. If we need to cancel or reschedule, we will let you know as soon as we know. Please check the website daily for any updates at: 11thcavnam.com

If you do not have internet access please call any of the Officers listed elsewhere in this edition.

We are exploring all options and always endeavor to do what is best for the membership of the 11th ACVVC. One issue we must stress: RESERVE YOUR HOTEL ROOM ASAP! We are contracted to fill 2,035 room nights. If we fall below 80% of that total (1,628 room nights) we pay for the unused rooms. We are currently negotiating with the hotel to reduce our room night commitment and/or rebook some of our commitments to other groups who may need those rooms. If we lower our room commitment, we also pay more for other items in the contract in addition to losing

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valuable meeting space for our normal functions, including the banquet room. If we have a large number of Troopers staying at other hotels, the hotel will base our banquet seating on the number of folks reserving rooms at the JW who identify themselves as 11th ACVVC. So, if you haven't reserved your room yet, please do so by calling 317-860-5800 and identify yourself as being with the 11th ACVVC. Additionally you can make reservations at: <https://book.passkey.com/go/11thACVVC2020>

By now, hopefully most of you have received an e-mail from Frank, me or another Officer or Trooper explaining much of what is written above. That note is also posted on our website. Please check the website daily for any breaking news.

On another page in this issue, you will see details about a K Troop reunion in Branson, Missouri. "CANCELLED" is overwritten on the page because I only received that information after the text was already set and sent. We regret any inconvenience this may cause.

Additionally, the Regimental Ball in Las Vegas has been postponed; if it is cancelled we will post that on our website. The Blackhorse Association has cancelled their reunion planned for June 2 – 5 in Colorado Springs, Colorado.

The Officers of the 11th ACVVC held their Mid-Year Conference on March 17 and discussed and resolved dozens of topics including narrowing potential 2022 reunion sites down to three locales from which the membership will choose.

Contact info for all Officers and Chairpersons is once again included in this issue. Previous hacking attempts forced us to try eliminating this info, but it is important that you can reach us by e-mail or phone. One of the stories about a failed attempt to steal money from the 11th ACVVC by a hacker appears in this issue.

Please note: The East Texas Round-Up

has been rescheduled to June 10 – 14 at the Antique Capital RV Park, 500 South Loop 485 Gladewater, Texas 75647. Everyone is welcome! You can contact Jan at 903-780-5621 or: janwowwe@gmail.com.

"Heroes of the 11th Armored Cavalry Regiment," the recently released book edited by C. Douglas Sterner (with years of research by 11th ACVVC President Emeritus Allen Hathaway) continues to sell briskly, get your copy from our Quarter Master Store.

On the cover page of this issue you will see a photo of the annual Feb 2 wreath-laying at the Tomb of the Unknowns, marking the 119th birthday of the Blackhorse.

The National Museum of the United States Army at Fort Belvoir, Virginia is scheduled for it's grand opening on June 4. I hope you all get the opportunity to visit there and take pride in our Unit Tribute Plaque.

The active duty Regiment is still accepting requests for "Order of the Spur" certificates. Allen Hathaway has volunteered to coordinate this project. Troopers who wish to be added to the rolls of the Order of the Spur should submit the NAME, RANK, UNIT and DATES and MAILING ADDRESS to: Allen Hathaway, 13194 Rettew Drive, Manassas, VA 20112 or 11thcav1966.comcast.net

Colonel Scott Woodward, 68th Colonel of the Blackhorse will leave the Blackhorse Regiment for a new assignment on June 17. His Final Message to the 11th ACVVC appears in this issue. Those of us who have had the privilege of meeting and talking with COL Woodward know and understand his intense love for the Blackhorse. We wish him Good Luck and Godspeed!

On our website and in the column "Fiddler's Green," we remember those

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wet season that made red talcum powder into a brown chocolate pudding that stuck to everything. Vietnam has bats the size of turkeys, centipedes two feet in length and some of the most deadly snakes on the face of the earth. We were told not to worry about Agent Orange since, "it only kills the vegetation." It has a climate where temperatures ranged anywhere from ninety-six to a hundred and six in the area I was in, and higher in other regions of the country.

After facing all of that for a year, then you had to come home to a country that was calling you a baby killer, and some of my brothers were spat on in airports because they wore the uniforms of the United States Army. But you know, at the end of the day, after all that, we still love this great country of ours and have said "Never again will a returning war veteran have to face what we faced." They will all be welcomed and thanked for their service to this great country.

If you have a group of people you can always tell which of them are Vietnam Veterans. They will be the ones that are balding or gray haired that look up when they hear the wop, wop, wop sound of a helicopter. That sound reverberates in their memory to a time passed, when to them represented someone coming to pick them up, or receiving ammunition, fuel, water, the removal of their wounded or dead, maybe a hot meal and mail call. People often ask veterans "When were you there?" Don't be surprised if the answer comes back as "I was there last night."

When Vietnam Veterans meet in a store or on the street they always greet each other with "Welcome Home." Now you may ask "Why?" It's really very simple; when they returned home no one ever said that to them. So should you see a Vietnam Veteran someday, how about saying "Welcome Home, Thank you for your service." I'm sure it would be truly appreciated

Bob Kickenweitz

Served with the Legendary 11th Armored Cavalry Regiment, in South Vietnam

October 1966 – Sept 1967

Order of the Spur - Spur Certificates

By Allen Hathaway



trooper with a Spur Certificate.

The Order of the Spur is a Cavalry tradition within the United States Army. Soldiers serving with Cavalry units (referred to as "Troopers") are inducted into the Order of

Colonel Scott C. Woodward, the current regimental commander, has offered to add any trooper who served with the regiment in Vietnam to the rolls of the Order of the Spur and furnish that

trooper with a Spur Certificate. Anyone who served with the regiment in Vietnam is eligible for a Spur Certificate. Those troopers who wish to be added to the rolls of the Order of the Spur should submit the NAME, RANK, UNIT AND DATES and MAILING ADDRESS to:

Allen Hathaway, 13194 Rettew Drive, Manassas, VA 20112 or 11thcav1966.comcast.net

registrations in ahead of the time you normally would. This also applies to your room reservations with the JW Marriot. The sooner we know how many are attending and how many guest rooms are being reserved the better we can plan for any eventuality and give us the flexibility and bargaining power to adjust our needs accordingly. I emphasize using the Marriot because if we have a significant number of attendees at the reunion who are not utilizing our contracted hotel, we have the distinct possibility of not having enough space for our functions. That will result in spending a substantial amount of money to make up the difference or not have enough meeting room capacity.

Your safety and health are our primary concerns. Stay well as we navigate through this very unpredictable time.

"Allons"

Frank Church, Reunion Chairman/VP

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As of this writing cut off dates are August 3, 2020 for room reservations and August 5, 2020 for reunion registrations.

To explain further the importance of knowing what our options will be, all of the costs for our reunions are based primarily on two factors: the total number of guest rooms we reserve and the number of people attending. These two items also determine registration fees (this will not change) and the number and size of our meeting room spaces that are required, including seating for the Bunker and Banquet. We predict all of those numbers based on past reunions and use them to forecast for the future. Our contract with the JW Marriot is based on those predictions. But given the uncertainty of what may happen in the coming months these predictions are becoming difficult to guarantee.

The intent of this message is to encourage everyone who plans to attend to get their

Show Your Pride



Bob Pivrotto passed away in 2015; his wife Helen continues to honor his service by displaying his Blackhorse pride!

The Wall of Faces

By Allen Hathaway

This is an update of the article by the same title printed in the 4th quarter 2019 *Thunder Run*.

The article listed the names of four Blackhorse troopers whose photos were missing for the Wall of Faces project of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial. Since that article, photos of three of the four troopers listed have been located.

For the past 10 years, the Vietnam Veterans Memorial Fund (VVMF) has been collecting photographs of each of the over 58,000 men and women whose names are engraved on the Wall in Washington, DC.

The Wall of Faces now has photos of over 58,000 of those listed on the Wall. As of April 2020, fewer than 230 photos are now needed to complete this project. Countless number of volunteers throughout the country have helped in this project to collect photos.

Among those listed on the Wall are 730 Blackhorse troopers. We have now collected photos of 729 of those troopers. A photo of only one trooper remains to be located.

We need your help locating a photo of this trooper. This is the last of the 730 Blackhorse troopers without a photo. Below is the name along with information that may help you to recognize him. Some of you may have served with him in E Troop in late 1971.

Photographs can be hardcopy or digital form (scanned). Hardcopy photos will be scanned and returned to the submitter. Please mail or e-mail scanned photos to:

Allen Hathaway, 13194 Rettew Drive, Manassas, VA 20112 or 11thcav1966.comcast.net

We all know the old saying “a photo is worth a thousand words”. In this case, a photo brings a whole new dimension to the name. They are not just a name on the wall but now the photos bring us closer to those who sacrificed everything.

JENKINS, ISADORE (SP4), E Troop, 2/11 ACR. Home of record: New York, New York. Date of birth: September 2, 1952. Started tour: October 8, 1971. Casualty date: December 11, 1971 in Tay Ninh Province. MOS: 11D20. Father: Ebert E. Jenkins.

2020 Election

By Greg Mason
Secretary, 11th ACVVC

Three positions will be up for election this year during the General Membership Meeting to be held Saturday morning, August 30th, during the 2020 Reunion. The three positions are President, Secretary and one Director.

The President and Secretary will serve two-year terms. The Director will serve a three-year term. All terms will begin January 1, 2021.

All candidates must be Life Members of the 11th ACVVC. Candidates will have an equal opportunity to state their qualifications at the General Membership Meeting. The elected candidates must be able to attend the annual reunion and two Board Meetings each year of their elected term.

The elected candidates must be able to communicate by e-mail with the other Board members and be able to help the Board make decisions on a variety of organizational matters. Each candidate must be highly organized and be able to commit time and energy to a specific project or committee as directed by the President. Excellent skills in using

Microsoft Word and Excel are required in order to prepare reports and other documents required of all positions.

The position of President requires considerable time and superb organizational skills. The President needs to frequently multi-task in his responsibility to oversee all projects, programs, and activities of the organization.

Candidates for Secretary should be able to intently follow and record organized minutes, summarize reports, actions and decisions from official meetings, and maintain records of the 11th ACVVC and its numerous projects. He should have strong language and writing skills and know basic Robert's Rules of Order. Information management skills on a computer are required.

The Directors are expected to commit themselves to a specific area of interest within the 11th ACVVC or as directed by the President.

Nominations for these positions should be submitted in writing to the Secretary or submitted from the floor at the General Membership meeting. Please consider participating on the Board of Directors serving the 11th ACVVC.

Show Your Pride



William “Bob” Butler’s Vette has a Blackhorse engine!

2020 Silent Auction

By Greg Mason

The 2019 Silent Auction raised \$9,233 for the 11th ACVVC Scholarship Fund with 237 items donated and available for bid. The donated items included many hand-crafted items and one of a kind items with a Blackhorse theme. We look forward to another successful auction.

The auction process will be as follows:

1. Items are needed for the Silent Auction to be conducted during our 35th Annual Reunion in Indianapolis, IN. Items peculiar to the 11th Cavalry are always favorites, and any item of value is welcome, Cavalry related or not.

2 We will have a collection site set-up in the registration area to collect donated items brought to the reunion beginning on Wednesday from 1pm to 5pm, Thursday from **1pm to 5pm**,

and Friday from 1pm to 4pm.

3. You can ship items to Donald LaFountaine, to collect, hold and bring the items to the reunion for display. If you plan to ship items, please use the convenient Silent Auction Donor Form printed below. If you bring the items to the reunion, also complete the donation form and include it with the item.

4. The **auction** will be from **6pm to 9pm on Friday night** with the bidding ending precisely at 9pm.

5. Winning bidders must be present and pick up their items and pay for them between 9pm and 9:30pm after the bidding is complete.

6. If the item is not picked up, the item will be awarded to the next highest bid at 9:30 or auctioned off at 9:45pm Friday evening. The bid form will have a place for you to leave a cell

phone number in case we need to call you to let you know to pick up your item.

7. We will be able to accept cash, checks, Visa or MasterCard for payment.

We do need volunteers to work the collection site and the night of the auction. We are setting up the collection site schedule in 2 hour shifts and if you would like to volunteer please contact me at gregmason311@gmail.com or 813-220-9027. I will respond to your email as I receive them.

Our reason for requiring items to be picked up and paid for the evening of the auction is because of the difficulties we have had in prior years getting all the items delivered and paid for. We appreciate your understanding.

We look forward to seeing you in Indianapolis and thanks in advance to all the donors!

11th ACVVC Silent Auction

Donated Items Information Form

Please provide the following information with your donated item. If you wish to donate anonymously, please check the box below.

Please print clearly.

Description of item donated: _____

Name of Donor: _____

Address of Donor: _____

Phone # of Donor: _____ Value of Item Donated \$ _____

I wish to remain anonymous (check box)

Mail silent auction items to: 11th ACVVC, C/O Donald LaFountaine, 175 Tracy Ridge Blvd, New Whiteland, IN 46184



Book Review

We are pleased to announce the release of *Taking Fire! Memoir of an Aerial Scout* by David Porter.

It is the memoir of a retired Armor and Cavalry officer Col (R) Dave Porter who fought in Viet Nam with the Air Cavalry Troop of the 11th ACR during the difficult days preceding the May 1970 Cambodian invasion. The events of Taking Fire! Memoir of an Aerial Scout took place around fifty years ago when the war in

Vietnam was at its very peak in violence and intensity. The memoir is the very personal story of a young Armor officer only nine months removed from the Armor Officer's Basic course at Ft. Knox thrust into a remarkable, although perilous method of fighting the deadly Viet Cong: Hunter-Killer operations. The tactic was extraordinarily successful, but included significant dangers to those involved. Few today are aware of the tactic or of the

men who made it work. Porter's vivid memoir chronicles the story through recounts of the internal workings of a legendary air cavalry troop, in-the-cockpit combat actions, and the men who were key players in these dangerous combat operations.

The book is available through most online services and by special order via any fine bookseller.



From the 68th Colonel of the Regiment

COL Scott Woodward

To all of the veterans of the most bad ass unit the Army ever had, my hat is off to you for the incredible example you've set for America. Getting to know you over the last two years has been one of the highlights of my life and I will never forget the great times we shared.

This will be my last message. As we all know, the honor and privilege of leading Soldiers ends all too quickly and it's time for a new Regimental Commander. The 69th COL of the Regiment will be COL Todd Hook and our change of command is scheduled to occur on 17 JUN 20 at Fritz Field here at Ft Irwin – pending any COVID-19 curveballs.

I know most of you have heard by now, our effort to amend the Regiment's Unit Insignia was officially denied from HQDA. We fought so hard and had a huge wave of support from across the active and retired ranks. We are continuing to explore options for a counterattack, but the odds are not in our favor. We appreciate the support from all of you and still believe in our hearts that YOU deserve this.

We would also like to thank those that traveled to Arlington National Cemetery on the Regiment's birthday to be a part of the wreath laying. CPT DiBianca and 1SG Wheeler were humbled to be in your presence. They thoroughly enjoyed the time spent with Regiment's Veterans and are still speaking about what an honor it was to represent the Blackhorse.

I pray that you and your families are doing well during the world-wide pandemic we are currently fighting. The environment we are living in is unlike anything most of us have experienced in our lives and it is affecting us all. Your military has adapted their operations under these conditions, but make no mistake – we are ready to live up to the Legend of the Blackhorse on a moment's notice. May God bless all of you and your families – and may He continue to watch over the Best Damn Regiment.

ALLONS!

Scott C. Woodward – 68th Colonel of the Regiment

Vietnam, Lost And Found

For those of us who served in Vietnam, it was a place of stunning losses. Who knew that a thirteen month tour might ultimately become a lifetime cut short? Soldiers, fliers, sailors, nurses, doctors, correspondents, entertainers, contractors, civilians, et al lost their lives. And those that died in Vietnam were not the last casualties. The deaths did not end when the war ended in 1975. Their loss was compounded by the tragic impacts on mothers and fathers who lost sons or daughters, brothers and sisters who lost a sibling, extended family who lost an uncle or an aunt, spouses who lost a husband or wife, children who lost a father, neighborhoods and companions who lost a friend, a team mate, a partner in childhood mischievousness, a church congregation member. As a country we lost an essential part of a generation that would never grow old, never grow up to be productive members of society, never be Moms and Dads, and never be future leaders of their communities, country, or churches. We honor (and try to justify) their service and sacrifice. We build monuments and dedicate holidays to the dead, but mostly life just goes on without them. Rarely do we adequately acknowledge the true impacts of their loss. Memorial Day and Veteran's

Day, that's pretty much it; just enough to assuage the consciences of those that didn't go.

Even though the Vietnam War has been over for more than 40 years it continues to haunt the veterans who survived, and continues to claim victims. "Te com biet" (I don't understand) became the mantra of a generation that survived and struggled to reintegrate into life "back in the world". Survivor's guilt plagued many who lost all ability to apply any logic or reason to why they had lived when so many others had died, or lost the ability to understand that any justification for the war could exist.

Many surviving veterans had suffered traumatic physical and mental wounds that even when healed would forever serve as a reminder of the horrors (not the glory) of war. They lost their blood, arms, legs, eyes, their sanity and their very souls, left behind in some jungle, rice paddy, village, fire base or base camp.

Our country demonized those (all) who served in Vietnam, stigmatizing every surviving veteran. We caught the blame that more rightly belonged to the politicians. Haunted by the brutalities of the war, including the senseless loss of American lives, the sheer number of claimed enemy

killed, and the Vietnamese women and children who were killed, displaced, or lost loved ones on both sides of the fight, and the rising tide of dissent in their own country, many veterans found their consciences could not tolerate the weight of what they had taken part in. Alcoholism, drug addiction, mental illness, suicide, the ravages of Agent Orange, lost limbs, Post Traumatic Stress, broken families, and a VA healthcare system that has never been adequate (can it ever be ?) are the legacies of the survivors who bore the heaviest burdens of the war.

The lucky ones were the ones who thought they only lost their innocence, their naiveté, and maybe their virginity (!). They were not the combat "boonie rats" who experienced the worst horrors of the war. Yet they too suffered through the constant risk of death or disability even while serving in rear areas; they too were stigmatized by their service in-country. They joined the legions who lost confidence in a government that could send them to such a far-away third world country to battle communism (?) - (The Domino Theory) in a place perceived as a threat to our future way of life; a threat that history has long since proven as false.

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Meet the Officers of the 11th ACVVC

Pete Walter, President 11th ACVVC

Peter L. Walter was born to Alberta D. (nee Bauer) and Lewis L. Walter, December 23, 1948 in Shenandoah, Pennsylvania, the heart of the anthracite (hard coal) region. He was the second son and fourth and last child of Alberta and Lew. In 1952 the family relocated to Burlington, New Jersey as his father worked as a crane operator building the Fairless Steel Works in Pennsylvania, the largest steel mill in the world at the time.

In 1957 the family moved back across the Delaware River to Levittown, Pennsylvania. It was here that he would enjoy the surrounding farms, woods and the Delaware Canal and would eventually graduate in 1966 from Woodrow Wilson High School. There were many employment opportunities at that time and he fully expected to work at the “mill” as many of his peers did. His father counseled him against working at the mill and as a seventeen year old high school graduate, he could not find gainful employment until turning eighteen. He attended Bucks County Technical School taking Industrial Chemistry; less than three months after turning eighteen he was hired by Rohm & Haas Company, working in the Research Division in Bristol, PA. He would retire from R & H at age sixty after forty-two years in petrochemical research.

On January 20, 1969, Richard M. Nixon took the oath of office as President of the United States. On the same date, 140 miles northeast of Washington, D.C., Pete took the Oath of Enlistment in Philadelphia, PA. Unlike the President, Pete did not resign and would go on to receive an Honorable Discharge.

Basic Training was at Fort Bragg, NC followed by Advanced Individual Training at Fort Sill, OK. Selected to attend Field Artillery Non-Commissioned Officer School (aka “Shake-N-Bake”, or ACL for Advanced Combat Leadership), he was promoted to Sergeant, E-5 less than nine months after being induct-

ed into the Army.

Arriving in Vietnam in January, 1970, he was assigned to the 11th Armored Cavalry Regiment. At 90th Replacement Company, a SSGT from the 101st Airborne told him, “You’re lucky, you got a good unit...a real good unit”. He was assigned to the #1 gun (Base Piece) in the Howitzer Battery of the 3rd Squadron and in time was promoted to Section Chief. He was involved in every major campaign of the 11th ACR in 1970 including the May-June Cambodian Incursion (Operation Toan Thang 43). He was decorated with the Bronze Star for Meritorious Service by COL John Gerrity and discharged on Dec. 8.

Pete joined the VFW on Dec 10, 1970 and is a Life Member of John Billington VFW Post #6495 in Levittown, PA. He has held office at the Post, County, District and State levels and was National Aide de Camp in 2014; he is also a Life Member of the VFW National Home, Military Order of the Cootie (the Honor degree of the VFW), Blackhorse Association (where he served as Secretary and Scholarship Chairman), Disabled American Veterans, Philadelphia Vietnam

Veterans Memorial Society and Burlington County (NJ) Military Affairs Committee.

Pete joined the 11th ACVVC at its inception and was issued membership number 6. He served as Secretary from 1991 to 1997, as Vice President from 2007 to 2018 and as President from 2018 to the present. He has attended 32 of our 34 reunions. In 1997 he edited “The Blackhorse Regiment in Vietnam, 1966 – 1972”, the only book published by the 11th ACVVC.

He was the 1991 Reunion Chairman in Philadelphia, recipient of the Trooper of the Year Award in 1992, Outstanding Trooper Award in 2000 and 2007, the Jack Quilter Award in 1995 and the Marty Ognibene Award in 2005. He was inducted into the Honorary Rolls of the Blackhorse Regiment by COL Kevin Jacobi (66th Colonel of the Blackhorse) and awarded the Order of the Spur by COL Scott Woodward (68th Colonel of the Blackhorse)

His hobbies include photography, travel, reading, gardening, Bonsai, military history and veteran’s affairs.

Currently serving as Chairman of the Funeral Honor Guard, Editor of *Thunder Run* and the annual 11th ACVVC calendar, he considers the office of President of the 11th ACVVC his greatest honor and greatest challenge.



Pete 1970 and Pete 2020



The Last Full Measure

I couldn't get out of my seat. The credits were running; white letters on a black screen. The house lights came on, my darling wife was standing and I just sat there, wiping tears away. Awkward; I'm 82 and I still cry. Embarrassed, yes, until I saw a number of other old guys like me, still sitting in their seats, with handkerchiefs in hand. I slowly got up and struggled down the steps of the movie theatre.

We had just watched the film, *The Last Full Measure*.

The movie tells the story of a Vietnam warrior, an Air Force enlisted man (medic), who rappels from a rescue helicopter into a jungle fire-fight to tend the wounded dog-faces of the Big Red One. The Airman was William Hart Pitsenbarger.

An infantry company was trapped, surrounded by a North Vietnamese battalion well equipped with lots of fire power and troops. That Rifle Company took 80% casualties that day, but the airman (Pitsenbarger) stayed to treat the wounded and ended his service by saving many of the soldiers and inspiring the survivors to hold on, at the risk – no, at the cost of his own life.

What foolishness. He didn't even know any of those guys on the ground. But when their medic was brought up wounded, he had to go down. It was more than duty, it was a gut-wrenching call, a critical decision, a pull to serve and care for and comfort and support those guys who wore the uniform. They were American soldiers.

He sent a few up on a sling-litter. He could have gone up himself, anytime. His crew chief, kept signaling and yelling at him to get aboard. But he sent up another wounded infantryman instead - in his place, and the overloaded chopper had to fly away. The battle ended; not well for the Big Red One as the survivors limped back.

His body, the rest of the wounded and KIAs were recovered the next day.

He was cited for his courage, devotion, unselfish sacrifice and inspirational leadership and even nominated for the Medal of Honor. Paper work got screwed up along the way, but some of the survivors, his fellow soldiers, Army and Air Force both would not forget his sacrifice.

The movie opens with a scene at the Pentagon 37 years later. It starts in the office of a bureaucrat who is making a half-hearted effort to move the Medal of Honor award recommendation up the chain of command. A lame effort to award him the Medal deserved, hopefully before his aging and cancer ridden father passes away.

The skids had to be greased and those survivors, those veterans of Vietnam did some heavy lifting. You gotta see it; it's all about battlefield brotherhood – well presented.

I don't know about the young people who watched the film, maybe very few of them did. But I do know of its impact upon Vietnam veterans. My wife was surprised that a few of us, who had never met before, would publicly hug each other with crushing bear-hugs in the lobby afterwards. Identity was easy; Purple Heart hats, Airforce jackets, Navy caps, an Airmobile, Blackhorse or Americal patch. But even if they had no military markings, we knew instinctively who had been there (the Nam), we shared the same nostalgic honor, we appreciated the camaraderie.

Sharon, my wife said: "Now I know why it is so important that you go to those reunions; why you gather at The Wall and in Arlington Cemetery." She is so right. It is important for me, and maybe too for a lot of you, my fellow Blackhorse troopers.

Might I say that incidentally, the acting was great, the effects excellent and even a few scenes were actually photographed in Vietnam. I thought for sure I recognized the rubber plantation and believe that the water falls depicted in the film, the same we bathed in on the Cambodian border on the Song Be River? The movie ending: not necessarily happy, but triumphant.

I had been a little reluctant to go see it. Then, once I was a little reluctant to go to my first reunion. In fact, once I was even reluctant – no, scared to walk to the western end of the National Mall and touch the slates of The Vietnam Wall. It took some gumption to do so. But once I made the walk, once I touched The Wall, once I found a name, a healing, a comfort, a pride – a power ran down my throat, into my legs and forced my neck to hold my head up high. I thanked God for permitting me to be part of the adventure. I didn't just read history on that

Wall or from the engravings in the Lincoln Memorial, I was part of American history.

For me, the movie, *The Last Full Measure* was an uplifting, encouraging, and affirmed the driving force in my life. So too are my many frequent trips to The Wall, to Arlington Cemetery, to my brother's grave in the mountains of Pennsylvania, where the flag at his head stone it only one of hundreds in that small-town cemetery. My next trip to The Wall will include a stop at Panel 6E and my fingers will trace the etching on Line 102, the name of William Pitsenbarger. "Pitz," An American Hero.

Each of the reunions I have attended, only six to this point, have been a comfort and a remarkably memorable joy. Some of you have been to a lot more, some to all: too many to none. I leave exhausted sometimes, especially from the travel, and think that's enough. But then I realize how proud I felt and how much I still want to serve my country, to thank a vet, to fulfill my duties. Each trip, each visit, reminds me that I still have a job to do, I still have a dream to live. I can't stop dreaming.

Age - years piled upon years, do not make us old. Not living our dreams, losing sight of what we want to accomplish, the path we want to pursue: that makes us old. Yes, age will catch us in the end, I guess that's why they call it the end. But I'll feel better knowing I died with my boots on, still trying to climb every mountain, ford every stream, plant a new tree each fall to see it come up in the spring.

Our 11th Cav reunions, give us something to live for, to look forward to ... even if we can't drink as much beer, as we used to. If you can't make it every time, try every once in a while. Keep coming out to the gatherings around the country. Gather with vets in your own area. You'll be amazed how much better you'll feel.

We'll be looking for you in Indianapolis, hopefully all will be back to normal. See President Pete Walter's message. Until then, keep on dreaming, climbing and planting. And, as Thomas More said good bye to his daughter: "pray for me, as I will for thee, until we merrily meet in heaven."

Chaplain Bill



**11th Armored Cavalry's Veterans of Vietnam & Cambodia
Scholarship Application (effective October 1, 2018)**



Please review Scholarship Guide at www.11thcavnam.com/scholar.html
Application Deadline May 15th, 2019

**IMPORTANT: A PERSON WHO HAS BEEN AWARDED AN 11TH ACVVC SCHOLARSHIP IS NOT ELIGIBLE TO APPLY AGAIN.
Students working on advanced degrees (master's, doctoral) are not eligible to apply.**

Applicant's full name: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Applicant's social security number: _____ E mail address: _____

Street address: _____ Apt./Unit # _____

City: _____ State _____ Zip Code _____ Phone #: _____

Applicant's Status: Child Grandchild of a current life member of the 11th ACVVC.
 Child Grandchild of a deceased life member of the 11th ACVVC.
 Child Grandchild of an 11th ACR veteran who was killed in action in Vietnam or Cambodia.

Applicant's Sponsor (11th Cav Veteran): Full name: _____ E mail: _____

Sponsor's 11th Cav unit in Vietnam: _____ Dates in Vietnam _____ 11thACVVC member# _____

Name and Address of College or Trade School you plan to attend:

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ Phone: _____

Schools and Colleges Attended (10th Grade to Present)

Name	City, State	Dates (From/To)

What was your High School GPA? _____ College GPA (if applicable)? _____

You must attach a copy of your grade transcripts from your last 2 yrs. of High School or College.

You must have at least a 3.0 Grade Point Average to apply for a scholarship.

Briefly tell us about your extra-curricular and volunteer activities in the **space below**:

I, the undersigned verify the answers given above are true and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I give my permission for a copy of my high school/college grade transcripts to be submitted with this application.

Signature of Applicant **Printed Name** **Date**

Signature of Sponsor Veteran or Guardian **Printed Name** **Date**

Please send your completed application and grade transcripts to:

Mike "Doc" Rafferty, 11th ACVVC Scholarship Chairman, PO Box 13188, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88013

Email: platoonmedic36@gmail.com



SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM UPDATE

by Mike "Doc" Rafferty, Director and Scholarship Chairman



Mike 'Doc' Rafferty

11th ACVVC Raffle to Benefit Scholarship Program in 2020

The proceeds from this year's raffle will go towards providing scholarships for the children and grandchildren of life members, deceased life members, and our KIAs. If you have a grandchild or child who is planning on attending a university, community college or trade school, please encourage them to apply for an 11th ACVVC scholarship. Please advise them to look at the scholarship guide and application on our website (www.11thcavnam.com/scholar.htm) or contact me for more information or if they have questions.

You can help fund the scholarship program by participating in the 2020 raffle. The drawing will be held Saturday, August 29th during the 35th annual reunion in Indianapolis, Indiana. You need not be present to win. Only one prize per person (if your name is drawn

twice, you will receive the higher prize). The suggested ticket price is \$1.00 per ticket and is not tax deductible. The prize pool consists of:

- 1st place (\$500)
- 2nd place (\$400)
- 3rd place (\$300)
- 4th place (\$200)
- and eleven \$100 prizes.

Raffle tickets will be mailed to all 11th ACVVC members in May. Please consider purchasing tickets to help fund this important program. If you do not wish to participate in the raffle you are still welcome to send a donation to the 11th ACVVC scholarship program.

VSO STUFF

DIC – Dependent Indemnity Compensation

This is important for spouses of veterans receiving VA total disability compensation preceding death from a service-connected disability or totally disabled for five years from time of separation from the military or totally disabled for a period of one year for a former POW or for a totally disabled veteran for more than ten years regardless of cause of death. Clear as mud? Okay, let's clarify a bit and I want to keep this with Viet Nam era vets.

Totally disabled (100%) ten years before death. So, Viet Nam vet Jody (yea, same Jody) is rated for Agent Orange stuff- coronary artery disease, diabetes mellitus II and some peripheral neuropathy, all totaling 100%. Jody dies from a cancer that is not service connected. However, because Jody was 100% for ten years, the cause of death does not have to be service connected. Hence, the widow is eligible for DIC

Under ten years. Cause of death must be service connected. Again, with vet Jody who is SC for coronary heart disease and dies from a cardiac condition. The death certificate should indicate the cause of death such as CAD. IF the cause of death was not CAD but another such as Congestive Heart Failure, CAD should be indicated as a contributing cause (only if the medical opinion is warranted). IF a service-connected condition is not listed on a death certificate in some fashion, a surviving spouse will not be eligible for DIC in the scenario.

POW vet- This special provision allows for a period of one year at 100% regardless of when the vet began to receive the 100%.

As always, there are caveats to the above which is why a survivor should seek assistance from an experienced veteran service officer. FURTHER- Mr. Veteran ought to have foresight to have required documents ready for the spouse only because there is enough trauma after a loved one dies. Have several copies of a DD 214, marriage license, death certificate and those VA rating decisions for the service-connected disabilities assembled in a folder or binder and inform the family where those documents are located. By so doing, the

process with the VA for the surviving spouse will be much less complicated. By the way, currently the basic monthly DIC compensation rate is \$1,340.14.

For Troopers in the Chicago Area: Veterans Viewpoints, etc.

Recently, during a conversation with Pete, I mentioned one my "hobbies" is producing interviews with veterans or individuals involved with veterans in some fashion. This hobby is in cooperation with a local high school's (Lyons Township High School) television studio -LTTV, since the fall of 2011. The shows have had several titles- Veterans Viewpoints, The Dog Tag Veterans Group*, and most recently- Veterans Views. Most episodes are available on You Tube. Through the years, I have become acquainted with some rather interesting individuals. Of interest is the founder of Bugles Across America, Tom Day. I met Tom back in 1995 during an Honors event. Tom has been a guest twice on the show sharing his passion for Bugles Across America. Tom was featured in the 1st Quarter 2020 edition of Thunder Run by our President, Pete Walter. And that is why I am writing this.

Once I read about Tom Day, I developed some brain gas- why not reach out to our fellow Blackhorse Troopers living within the Chicago metropolitan area and invite same to be guests on Veteran Views? Well, I did discuss this with Pete and received the "ALLONS". So-

Should any members of 11th ACVVC living in the Chicago area be interested in being a guest on the show, please email me at: chuckbosko@att.net

The episodes are no more than thirty minutes and truly are fun. Besides- you can tell everyone you know, "Watch me on TV!". And since it is on You Tube, the world is your audience! (I receive no compensation for this production.)

Chuck Bosko (Medic, F Troop, 2/11 ACR, 1969-70)

**The Dog Tag Veterans Group was a separate production but still available on You Tube.*

Blackhorse Hoofbeats

Echoes from the Regiment's Service in Vietnam 1966-1972

Don Snedeker, 11th ACVVC Historian

Riot Control Agents

The 33rd Chemical Detachment, the first such unit to deploy to Vietnam, was attached to the Blackhorse from the 5th Infantry Division (Mech) at Ft. Carson, CO. In addition to its primary missions of advising commanders and the staff on potential targets for the use of riot control agents and defense against the enemy's use of tear gas (CS), the Troopers of the 33rd Chem inspected and repaired individual protective masks throughout the Regiment. They also conducted classes on board the USNS Sultan on chemical, biological, and radiological (CBR) defense while en route to Vietnam in August 1966. The detachment, commanded by a captain or 1st lieutenant, averaged three to five enlisted Troopers on its morning report. They owned a ¾-ton truck and not much else.

Once in country, the 33rd Chem's mission expanded to include operating equipment during and analyzing results from Sniffer missions (helicopter flights using electronic detectors that smelled the presence of humans), conducting CS riot control agent canister drops against suspected and known enemy positions, and base camp perimeter defoliation. This latter mission led to the detachment's unofficial motto: "Only we can prevent forests."

Because of the close operational relationship between the detachment and Air Cav Troop, the 33rd was placed under the operational control of Thunderhorse 6 by 1969. Once the E-63 Personnel Detector (Sniffer) was issued to the Regiment, the Troopers of the 33rd Chemical Detachment assumed a daily mission of overflying areas designated by the regimental staff. The January 1970 edition of the Blackhorse [newspaper] described one of these missions. With Private First Class (PFC) John Baumhackl at the controls, and Captain (CPT) Jerry Self (Detachment Commander) and Sergeant First Class (SFC) Gail Burch looking over his shoulder, the Huey-mounted 'people sniffer' sniffed the air five times a second looking for signs of humanity – sweat, urine, etc. The Huey, accompanied by an Air Cav Troop Cobra, flew over the Mike Company night defensive position at treetop level as a test of the equipment. The needle pegged. Confident that their equipment was working properly, Self told the pilot to head for the designated area of jungle outside of Loc Ninh. When Baumhackl alerted them to a positive reading, Self marked his map and Burch tossed out some Chieu Hoi (sur-render) leaflets.

Back at Quan Loi, the team huddled with the flight crews. After double-checking their readings, CPT Self turned in his report to the regimental intelligence officer (RS-2). On more than one occasion, these people sniffer missions led to aerial and ground reconnaissance into areas of high readings. On

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this occasion, an artillery mission seemed appropriate. The barrage of 155mm shells set off a secondary explosion, destroying "a number of [NVA] bunkers and three .51 caliber machine gun positions" according to Jerry Self.

John Baumhackl recalls: "our duties included sniffer missions, CS gas drops...to get them out of the jungle or their defensive position,...and defoliation, which I later found out, that was Agent Orange... We used to run 'sniffer' missions around the [Cambodian] border and when finished we would call in arty to flush out the NVA [North Vietnamese Army]."

In 1969, the 33rd Chem started combining people sniffer missions with psychological operations leaflet drops. Not only did this improve efficiency by lowering blade time, it also served to disguise the real purpose of the flight over enemy territory. During the period August – October 1969, the detachment flew 141 People Sniffer missions in the Quan Loi – An Loc – Loc Ninh area. They also dropped 300 CS cluster bombs during the same period, as well as 150 drums of persistent CS (designed to deny the enemy use of a specific area, such as known base camps).

Action near the end of 1968 was a perfect example of how the employment of non-lethal riot control agents led to defeating the enemy in battle. While flying over an area of the Catcher's Mitt east of Lai Khe on 30 December, Regimental Command Sergeant Major Paul Squires spotted an enemy soldier hiding in the vegetation. The pilot banked the helicopter over the enemy location, and Squires dropped eight CS grenades in succession on top of the Viet Cong, ensuring that he could not aim his rifle and bring the ship down. At low level, Squires jumped out of the helicopter and tackled and disarmed the VC, even as he wildly swung and fired his AK47 rifle. Quick interrogation of the captured guerrilla revealed that a large rice carrying party and a base camp were located not far away.

Shortly thereafter, 1st Lieutenant J.W. Thurman, piloting a 2/11 Aviation Section scout helicopter, saw another VC in the same area and took him under fire. Thurman landed his helicopter in an attempt to capture another prisoner. His crew chief, Specialist 4 (SP4) Vincenzo Gambino, and door gunner, SP4 James Graham, followed their pilot into the thick underbrush. All three came under heavy fire from a well-concealed VC sniper. Thurman silenced the immediate threat, but additional enemy soldiers were soon headed their way. The three-man helicopter crew, out of their element on the ground, but most certainly not out of courage, established a makeshift defensive position and held off the numerically-

superior enemy force until help arrived.

Led by Echo Troop, 2nd Squadron piled-on, reinforced by the regimental Aero Rifle Platoon (ARPs) and elements of Alpha Company, 2/2 Infantry. The ensuing battle raged from just after noon until almost dark, resulting in the capture of 10n enemy prisoners. Documents on the 13 enemy bodies left on the battlefield, as well as interrogation of the prisoners, indicated that they were from 5 separate units, including the Dong Nai Regiment and elements of VC Sub-Region 5. The Blackhorse Troopers also captured a working printing press, designed to print fake South Vietnamese identity cards (complete with counterfeit government stamps), as well as a

Chinese Communist radio and numerous weapons.

Further interrogation of the prisoners revealed that the leadership of Sub-Region 5 had a secret base in the hamlet of Hoa Loi I, about 10 kilometers to the south of the contact area. The ARPs were inserted into the village on the last day of 1968 and found a complex of 21 tunnels. Inside the tunnels they discovered 4,000 pounds of rice – and another 10 VC. Among the prisoners this time was the assistant chief of military intelligence for Sub-Region 5. His interrogation led to even more captured supplies, weapons, and prisoners. All because CS grenades blinded that VC and prevented him from shooting down the Blackhorse helicopter.

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VCB branch manager recognized for catching an attempt to misdirect funds

Raquel Edwards, Virginia Commonwealth Bank's (VCB) Hartfield branch manager recently was recognized and appreciated for her due diligence in discovering a deceitful and malicious attempt to misdirect funds from the 11th Armored Cavalry's Veterans of Vietnam & Cambodia (11th ACVVC).

The 11th ACVVC was founded in 1984 after 75 names of Blackhorse Troopers were collected in Washington, D.C. at the dedication of the "Three Fighting Men" statue near the Vietnam Veterans Memorial.

The organization is headquartered in Texas with members in all 50 states and some foreign countries. They have been able to reunite many of their brothers by keeping a computer master file of everyone they've found by their name, squadron and troop and their dates in-country. They update their rosters continuously to assure they are accurate and complete. They have reunited many buddies this way. Reunions have been held every year since 1986.

They provide scholarships to the children and grandchildren of those killed-in-action as well as children and grandchildren of their membership. In the past



From left, Raquel Edwards receives certificates from the 11th Armored Cavalry's Veterans of Vietnam & Cambodia treasurer Ollie Pickral and chaplain Col. Blandin Karabinos.

years, they have provided over \$1,715,000 in college scholarships. This program is one of their most coveted programs helping their children and grandchildren get an education and to become leaders for the future of the country. All of their scholarship funds are donated by their members. Last year alone they provided 50 \$3,000 scholarships.

Ollie Pickral of Northumberland County is treasurer of the 11th ACVVC and a customer of VCB. Recently, Pickral had received an email with an invoice for \$10,000 from a com-

pany that produces their annual calendar used for fundraising. He usually pays their invoices by check and sent an email response back that the check would be on its way. He then received an email insisting that he wire the funds to an account in which they provided a routing number and account number.

Pickral went to VCB's Kilmarnock branch to have the monies wired. He brought copies of the invoice and the email conversations to the bank. Edwards was working in the Kilmarnock branch for the day when Pickral visited. She reviewed his email

conversations and noted some problems within the wire transfer request with different fonts, incorrect spelling, grammar and bank language.

Edwards asked if she could call the company about the payment request and Pickral agreed. Once contact was made, she asked if the company had sent a wire request and they replied that they did not specify how the payment should be made. A criminal had intercepted the email and was diverting payment to their bank and account.

"Raquel actually saved our veteran organization over \$10,000 which is approximately three-and-a-half scholarships. We are so grateful for her going the second mile for us," said Pickral.

"Please accept our thanks and appreciation for excellent work you performed in discovering a deceitful and malicious attempt to misdirect funds from our account to an unknown scammer," 11th ACVVC president Peter Walter told Edwards. "Your attention to detail and your immediate action prevented the loss of over \$10,000 from our account. I offer you my personal thanks in addition to the thanks and gratitude of the officers and members of the 11th ACVVC."

2020 Reunion Registration Information

Another reunion is swiftly approaching, and we are looking forward to seeing all of you in Indianapolis. I would like to remind you that it is never too early to register for this year's reunion.

You need to pre-register, no matter if you live in the area of Indianapolis or elsewhere. We need to have a head count for the hotel so they can order the food and hire personnel for the banquet.

Remember you are not out anything by sending in your registration early. If it turns out you can't make it for health reasons, or many other reasons, your money is refundable. So, as you can see, there really is no reason not to register early.

Things that need to be checked on the registration form:

- Is it legible?
- Is it complete?
- Include city and state of guest.
- Keep it as a whole page.
- Know the cutoff date!

Please take the time to go on the Blackhorse web site and update your information. This list is used to mail out *Thunder Run* and the Calendar to you.

- Is your hotel room booked?
- Name of service dog if you are bring one.

Once we have the head and meal count and it's turned in to the hotel, we will not be able to receive any more registrations after that. By the time we get to the reunion, Frank Church will already have the meals ordered and the Unit seating charts figured out and posted.

A couple of quick notes, when was the last time you updated your information on the Blackhorse Master Roster? Please take the time to go on the Blackhorse web site and update your information. This list is used to mail out *Thunder Run* and the Calendar to you. If your address is not updated on the Master Roster, then the post office will return your *Thunder Run* and Calendar and not forward them to

your new address.

Note, check inside your 2020 Blackhorse Calendar and find the small envelope. Please fill it out and mail it to Ollie.

On behalf of myself, Barbara and Raleigh we hope you have a great and safe spring and summer this year.

If you have any questions please call me at HOME (608-372-5892) or CELL (608-387-3346) or e-mail: gtroopbob@gmail.com

“ALLONS”

Roberto “Bob” Moreno
G Troop 2/11th (12/68-12/69)
11TH ACVVC Board of Directors
Registration Chairman
Stay Safe, Stay Healthy

2020 11TH ACVVC REUNION SHIRT ORDER FORM

All pre-ordered shirts will be available for pick-up at the Quartermaster Store during the 2020 reunion in Indianapolis, IN
Orders must be received by July 24, 2020.

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ E-mail _____

Shirt Color: White with reunion logo embroidered on **left** side; name, troop, year on **right** side.

Adult Sizes: S, M, L, XL - \$42.00 each / 2XL, 3XL - \$44.00 each. **Shirt size:** _____

Shipping: If you can't attend the reunion, you can still order the shirt. Add \$7 for shipping and we will mail your shirt to you.



Prices include up to 3 lines of 40 characters per line of personalized embroidery (Name, Unit, Dates, Etc.)

PLEASE PRINT

Line 1: _____

Line 2: _____

Line 3: _____

Visa

MasterCard

Card No. _____ CVC Code _____ Exp. Date _____

Signature (Required for credit card) _____

Make checks or money orders payable to **11th ACVVC**. If paying by check, write your drivers license number on the check.

Mail form to **11th ACVVC Quartermaster, C/O Jerry Beamon, 15926 Cedar Bay Dr., Bullard, TX 75757.**

REGISTRATION FORM



35th Annual 11th ACVVC Reunion
Indianapolis, Indiana



August 26 - 30, 2020

JW Marriott

10 S. West Street Indianapolis, IN 46204

Reservations: 1-317-860-5800

Registration fee is \$80 per person. This fee is required for attendance at the Wednesday, Thursday and Friday night Bunker Parties and Saturday evening banquet dinner.

All registrations must be received by Wednesday, August 5, 2020. Any registration received after this date will be returned. Registration refunds will be paid in full to our members if cancellation is received by the Treasurer no later than August 15, 2020.

PLEASE PRINT ALL INFORMATION

(print clearly or use mailing label)

Name _____ Telephone No: _____

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

E-Mail Address _____

Unit Assignment _____ Dates in Country _____

(Example: B TRP, D CO - List only one unit. This is your banquet seating.) (Example: 1966-1967)

KIA Relative? Yes, Name of KIA: _____

Relationship to KIA: _____ Unit: _____

ATTENDEES, INCLUDING YOURSELF (please print)

_____	\$ _____
_____	\$ _____
_____	\$ _____
_____	\$ _____
_____	\$ _____
_____	\$ _____
Total Registration Fee	\$ _____

Banquet Meal Selection (Indicate number for each selection) Chicken ___ Beef ___ Veggie ___

Is this your first reunion? Yes No Wheelchair or special needs seating? Yes No

Visa MasterCard

Card No. _____ Exp. Date _____

Signature (Required for credit card) _____

Make checks payable to 11th ACVVC. Please mail registration form along with payment to:

11th ACVVC
C/O OLLIE PICKRAL
571 DITCHLEY RD
KILMARNOCK, VA 22482



11th ACVVC 35th Annual Reunion Indianapolis, IN August 26 – 30, 2020



Wednesday, August 26

9:00 am - 12:00 am	BOD Meeting, Room 310
10:00 am - 5:00 pm	Quartermaster Store open, Ballroom 2
1:00 pm - 5:00 pm	Silent Auction items accepted 3rd Floor Prefunction
2:00 pm - 6:00 pm	Registration open, 3rd Floor Registration
2:00 pm - Midnight	Bunker open, Ballroom 5-6

1:00 pm - 4:00 pm

2:00 pm - 9:00 pm

2:00 pm - Midnight

6:00 pm - 9:00 pm

Silent Auction items accepted,
3rd Floor Prefunction
Registration open, 3rd Floor Registration
Bunker Open, Ballroom 5-6
Silent Auction Sell Off, Ballroom 3-4

Thursday, August 27

7:00 AM	27th Annual Marty Ognibene Golf Tournament, "Purgatory Golf Club, Noblesville IN"
9:00 am - 5:00 pm	Quartermaster Store open, Ballroom 2
1:00 pm - 5:00 pm	Silent Auction items accepted 3rd Floor Prefunction
2:00 pm - 6:00 pm	Registration open, 3rd Floor Registration
2:00 pm - Midnight	Bunker open, Ballroom 5-6

Saturday, August 29

8:30 AM

9:00 am - 12:00 pm

9:00 am - 12:00 pm

2:00 pm - 3:00 pm

3:00 pm - 5:00 pm

3:00 pm - 5:00 pm

5:45 pm - 6:45 pm

6:00 PM

7:00 pm - 10:00 pm

10:00 pm - Midnight

Raffle Drawing, Ballroom 7-10
Annual Membership Meeting,
Ballroom 7-10
Women's Meeting, Ballroom 1
Memorial Service, Ballroom 7-10
Quartermaster Store open Ballroom 2
Registration open for late arrivals
3rd Floor Registration
Cocktail Hour (Cash Bar),
3rd Floor Prefunction
Banquet room Doors Open, Ballroom 5-6
Banquet, Presentations and Salute
Ballroom 5-6
Dancing (DJ), 3rd Floor Prefunction

Friday, August 28

9:00 am - 5:00 pm	Quartermaster Store open, Ballroom 2
10:00 am - 12 noon	Veterans Seminar, Ballroom 1
1:00 pm - 2:00 pm	Indiana History Presentation, Ballroom 1
2:30 pm - 3:00 pm	State Capitol Walking Tour (Sign up at Reunion Registration), Capitol Building

Sunday, August 30

10:00 am - 11:00 am

All Day

Worship Service, Ballroom 1
Farewell and Safe Travels,
Follow me to Dallas 2021

VIETNAM from page 7

Prior to the war, many of us were on a life course devoid of hope for our own futures, with no prospects and no sense of direction. Some of us got lucky and actually found ourselves in Vietnam, realizing that we could take command of our own lives and do something productive with our futures. We found a new purpose in life, returning to families, schools, communities, churches, and jobs, vowing to get past the walls that had been built within our souls to hide away the pain and demons associated with the war, and forever stand against the insanities of armed conflict. Many surviving veterans found a new voice and strength to get involved in political activism not just against the Vietnam War, but against future conflict as well. Many were successful at reintegrat-

ing into society with a new found duty to at least try and make sure our country never again took part in such folly. The jury is still out.

A lot of us just got on with our lives like nothing ever happened. We came home, got jobs, or went back to school, or got married and started families. We pretend we are okay these 40 plus years later. We pretend that we put it all behind us. We pretend that we survived it unscathed. We pretend that it doesn't still affect our daily lives. We convince ourselves that we are not the ones that really need help. But the undying truth is that we still live with it every day. Just the right smell of diesel, the sound of a helicopter, a loud noise, a hard rain (remember the monsoon?), a news story about Afghanistan or Iraq,

maybe just seeing a homeless veteran at a traffic light begging for a meal or a job or just a place to sleep; it doesn't take much to bring the sights, sounds, and memories of our war crashing back into today's reality. And who can we talk to when that happens? Our Moms, Dads, brothers, sisters, aunts uncles, grandparents, friends and relatives who didn't go? How can we help them understand something we ourselves don't (and maybe never will) understand? So we hold it in. Maybe on Veteran's day or Memorial Day we find a brother or sister who has served in Vietnam or some other God forsaken conflict, and maybe for that one day we can help each other find a peace that we can live with until next year. *Keith H. Elliott, 11th ACR, 541st MID 1970-1971, Life Member 11th ACVVC*

THE 29TH ANNUAL MARTY OGNIBENE MEMORIAL GOLF OUTING

Thursday, August 27, 2020, Purgatory Golf Club, 12160 E. 216th Street, Noblesville, Indiana 46460; 317-776-4653

“Artful earthwork has rendered nearly every hole a world unto itself...” (Golf Magazine)

In 2020 we will make our initial visit to Purgatory Golf Club (“Your Gateway to Golfing Heaven”) in Noblesville, Indiana. “Spread across 218 acres, the Ron Kern-designed Purgatory Golf Club is the longest par-72 course east of the Mississippi River. Nevertheless, the course is set up to be enjoyed by all, with six different sets of tees ranging from more than 7,700 yards all the way down to just under 4,600 yards. Bunkering is one of the club’s defining features, with more than 130 coming into play. Nowhere is this more apparent than on the par-3 17th, where eight massive bunkers almost completely surround the putting surface.” (Golf Advisor)

Your \$100 entry fee includes breakfast, range balls, balls & tees, greens fees, cart, contests, lunch and prizes!

Complete the form below and mail it to the address

shown with a check for \$100 per golfer (payable to Peter L. Walter).

Form must be postmarked by Aug.10, 2020 to guarantee your entry! You don’t need a foursome to enter. Include your average score for 18 holes and you’ll be paired with a golfer of equal talent or include the names of all golfers in the group for whom you are paying. This outing is open to men and women. Dress code: no denim, shirts must have collars, shorts must be Bermuda length, soft spikes only!



Call 609-261-5629 if you have questions. You will receive confirmation of your registration either by e-mail or surface mail. All entries must be prepaid. Tee times will be at 8:00 AM with a shotgun start with lunch and prizes following golf. A limited number of rental clubs are available at \$35 per set (call the course directly to reserve). Don’t delay!!! Mail today!!! **“FORE!”**

29TH ANNUAL MARTY OGNIBENE MEMORIAL GOLF TOURNAMENT

Name _____	Average Score _____
Address _____	Home Phone _____
City _____	State _____ Zip _____
Name _____	Average Score _____
Name _____	Average Score _____
Name _____	Average Score _____
E-mail _____	

Mail Checks To: **Peter L. Walter, 8 Tallowood Drive, Westampton, NJ 08060-3721**

Do You Have A Seasonal Address? Are you Moving?

By Allen Hathaway, Membership

With each mailing of *Thunder Run* we receive 25-35 copies returned by the post office marked “Not Deliverable as Addressed” or “Moved, No Forwarding Address”. We pay a fee for these returns but more importantly we’ve lost track of a member! Please help us deliver your mail!

Do you have a seasonal address? Quite a few of our members have seasonal addresses. They live in the north during the summer and south or southwest in the winter. If you have a seasonal address, please take a few minutes and notify us of both your summer and winter addresses, along with months at each address, phone number and e-mail address. We’ll arrange to continue to deliver your *Thunder Run* magazine wherever you are!

Thunder Run is mailed as nonprofit standard postage versus first class postage. The post office **does not forward** *Thunder Run* mailed at the standard postage rate for seasonal addresses. Instead, *Thunder Run* is returned to us marked “Not Deliverable as Addressed” and we pay a fee. When we receive these notices we may have lost track of the member. There is no additional information provided that might indicate if the member moved or has a seasonal address. For the November 2019 mailing of *Thunder Run* there were 150 members marked as “Not Deliverable as Addressed.”

Are you moving? Please remember to file a change of address form with your local post office or online at www.usps.com. This will ensure that your mail is forwarded to your new address.

Then, remember to notify us! Use the change of address form in each *Thunder Run* and complete all information including phone number and e-mail address. These last two pieces of information are just as important as your new address. You can also submit your change of address through our website. It’s a simple process and it helps us keep our records up-to-date.

Update your phone number and E-mail address

We value our members and we don’t like to lose any of them. We go the extra length by following up with a phone call or e-mail for any *Thunder Run* magazine that is returned IF a phone number or e-mail address is available in our records. Help us to keep our files up-to-date so we can continue to deliver your copy of *Thunder Run* to the correct address.

Reunion Assistance Fund

Ollie Pickral, 11th ACVVC Treasurer

The purpose of the Reunion Trooper and KIA Survivor Assistance Fund is to assist Troopers who served with the 11th Armored Cavalry Regiment in Vietnam and Cambodia, and family members of our troopers killed in action in Vietnam and Cambodia, to attend a reunion sponsored by the 11th ACVVC. Qualified applicants will be given one or more of the following items, depending on the number of requests, funds depletion, and the degree of assistance required:

1. A hotel room for one or two nights during the reunion weekend.
2. Transportation funds for fuel for auto, airfare tickets or bus or train.
3. Registration fee.
4. Meals or food allowance.

Funds are collected through direct donations by our members and are accounted for by the Treasurer. The Trooper and KIA Survivor

Assistance Fund is a separate account and published in the 11th ACVVC financial reports.

To be considered for financial assistance from the fund to attend a reunion of the 11th ACVVC, the Trooper or the KIA's immediate family members (defined as parents, siblings, children, widows) making the request must:

1. Do so in writing to the Secretary or the President, and
2. Provide evidence of the Trooper's service in Vietnam and/or Cambodia with the 11th ACR.

The applicant Trooper or KIA survivor should describe his/her need for monetary assistance, briefly stating his/her financial situation. In addition, the Trooper may be required to become a member, of the 11th ACVVC. The Officers and Directors of 11th ACVVC will decide by a majority vote on whom and how much assistance will be given to a Trooper or survivor of a KIA .

Requests must be submitted no later than to July 11, 2020!

History

In 1989, the Officers and Directors of 11th ACVVC agreed there was a need for monies to assist our member Troopers in getting to a reunion. Prior to 1989, the organization received many calls for assistance directly from the Trooper needing assistance or from the buddy of a Trooper hoping to get his buddy to the reunion. It was decided in 1989 that during the meeting of its members, a "passing of the hat" for donations would take place. With those donated funds, the 11th ACVVC could assist in getting some Troopers who might otherwise not attend because of monetary limitations.

During the 2008 Reunion Members Business Meeting, the Board of Director proposed and the membership passed Motion 2008-0823A to modify the definition and name of the fund to include immediate family members (Parents, siblings, children, widows) of our KIAs.

Purpose Statement

The purpose of the Reunion Assistance Fund is to assist, if requested, Troopers who served with the 11th Armored Cavalry Regiment in Vietnam and the Kingdom of Cambodia, and Survivors of our Troopers Killed in Action in Vietnam and Cambodia, to attend a reunion sponsored by the 11th Armored Cavalry's Veterans of Vietnam and Cambodia.

Qualified applicants will be given one or more of the following items, depending on the number of requests, funds depletion, and the degree of assistance required:

- A room at the host hotel for one or two nights during the reunion weekend.
- Funds to purchase fuel for auto, tickets for airfare or other means of transportation such as bus fare or train fare.
- Registration fees.
- Meals or food allowance.

Maintenance of Funds

Funds collected through direct donations or the "passing of the hat" at the annual membership Business Meeting shall be maintained and accounted for by the Treasurer. The Treasurer shall include the Assistance Fund as a separate reporting item on the quarterly financial report. The Treasurer shall dispense funds from this account as directed by the Officers and Directors of the 11th ACVVC.

Rules of Acceptance

To be accepted for consideration for assistance, the Trooper or the KIA's immediate family members (defined as Parents, siblings, children, widows) requesting financial assistance to attend a Reunion of the 11th ACVVC, must

- Do so in writing to the Secretary or the President, and
- Provide evidence of the Trooper's service in Vietnam and/or Cambodia with the 11th Armored Cavalry "Blackhorse" Regiment. *

The applicant Trooper or KIA survivor should describe his/her need for monetary assistance, briefly stating his/her financial situation (i.e., job, income, family, or other relevant facts). In addition, the Trooper may be required to show proof that he is a member, or that he is qualified to become a member, of the 11th ACVVC.

Recipients will only be allowed this assistance one time. Exceptions to the one time only use of the Reunion Assistance Fund will be addressed on a case-by-case basis by the President and the Treasurer.

Exceptions to the "one time only" rule will rarely be granted and will never be allowed in consecutive years.

**Note: If the request is made by a member of the 11th ACVVC he has already presented "evidence of... service in Vietnam and/or Cambodia with the 11th Armored Cavalry Regiment.*



Blackhorse Women's News

By Sheryl Myers, Women's Group Co-coordinator

I'm thinking as I write this message, that our country, in fact the world is in quite a somber state right now. It may be months before we have some normalcy in our daily lives, but for now we can spend a little time each day, thinking about all that we are thankful for. The Blackhorse Women's Group co-coordinators are very thankful for your support each and every year.

Planning for the 2020 Reunion in Indianapolis began in January. Our goal was to offer a "Women's Group Tour and Luncheon" outing on Friday, as well as an informative and entertaining meeting on Saturday. Those plans are complete.

Meanwhile, as we negotiate thru 2020,

we hope you will find the time to support our project, "Remembering Our KIA's." Our goal is to place a memorial at the gravesite of each 11th Armored Cavalry Trooper KIA. You don't have to wait for an official holiday. The list of cemetery locations for KIA's in your state are available on the 11th ACVVC website, under Fiddlers Green/Vietnam/Cemetery, or you can call or email me requesting your state's listing. We just ask that you take a picture of the plaque/stone, showing the trooper's name and send it to us for inclusion in our book of remembrances. Enlist the help of family members and friends – it is a heart-felt experience. Send To: Sheryl Myers 19155 Royal Troon Drive, Monument, CO

80132 or sheryl.e.myers@gmail.com

Questions ?? 571-721-9189

We are including the Registration Form for the Tour/Luncheon in the 2nd Qtr *Thunder Run*. Please complete the form if you would like to join us, then mail or email it to me. We will be limited to the first 112 that respond. **We are not asking for your payment at this time**, because we don't know yet if the Reunion will be held. But we will know how to contact you if the reunion is a "go."

Staying hopeful, Sheryl, Lajaunda, Renee, Marguerite, Cherry, Kathy, Cathi, & Jan.

19th to 23rd - As Told in the Old North Side

Friday, August 28, 2020 – 9:30am-2:00pm

Women's Group Tour and Luncheon Registration Form

◆Cost: \$38.00 per person includes Transportation, 2 Tour Locations and Luncheon.◆

◆Open to spouses, family and friends of 11th ACVVC. Need not be member of Women's Group to attend.◆

This form must be returned by May 30th

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Catered Buffet Lunch will include vegetarian item (Gluten free upon request)

**Note – Only after we receive confirmation that the Indianapolis Reunion will take place, will we request that you send a check (Sorry- NO CREDIT CARDS) to hold your reservation. The cost will be \$38. pp Limit is 112 persons (in order of receipt of this form.) Questions?? sheryl.e.myers@gmail.com or 571-721-9189

Please send form to : Sheryl Myers, Blackhorse Women's Group, 19155 Royal Troon Dr., Monument, CO 80132

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Blackhorse Troopers who have left the ranks of the living. There were two gentlemen who passed away in recent months who are not listed there as they never served in the 11th ACR. Morgan "Butch" Sincock served as an Infantry Officer in the 25th Infantry Division in the Vietnam War, where he earned the CIB and two Bronze Stars for valor. I knew Butch personally as he was the "print set-up" man for our annu-

al calendar. I will miss him, Rest in peace Butch.

Neil Morrison was the curator of the Blackhorse Museum in Fulda, Germany. When the 11th ACR was reassigned to Fort Irwin, Neil came to the United States to serve again at the Blackhorse Museum. I first met Neil in 1993 and he was a great character with a million stories. He was Blackhorse through-and-through. Neil

passed away in February. I and the Blackhorse Regiment will miss him. Rest in peace Neil.

Finally, thank you to every member for your support. The 11th ACVVC would not exist without the committed support you provide every day in every way.

Stay safe and stay healthy!

Pete

11TH ACVVC DONATIONS

Donor Levels: Platinum Level \$500+ Gold Level \$100-\$499 Silver Level \$50-\$99 Bronze Level \$1-\$49

Members donations are used for the sole purpose for which they are intended. Whether it be for Scholarship, Reunion Assistance, Memorial or the General Fund, member donations are used to support that specific fund.

General Fund

Dennis, Steve
Frank, Donald
Kester, Larry
Wallace, Peter

Corona, Gary
Courtad, Douglas
Cousin, ITT
Cox, Alan
Cox, Ralph

Gourm, Dennis
Graber, John
Graham, James
Graham, Raymond
Greenwood, Eugene

Larson, Don
Levasseur, Mark
Lewis, James
Looyenga, Hans
Ludwig, Carroll

In Memory of, ARP Sgt. Oreto
Porter, Don
Poundstone, John
Pryor, Lee

Bronze Level

White, Bobby

Gold Level

Anderson, Larry
Anderson, Craig
Arnaud, Garland
Atchley, John
Baker, Edward
Barber, John
Barnes, Bruce
Barnthouse, Lawrence
Barrett, Donald
Barrows, William
Bartosik, Harry
Beard, James
Beard, C. Frederick
Beavers, James
Belver, James
Benitez, Joachim
Binns, James
Birch, Manuel
Bloese, Michael
Boen, Bobby
Bowen, J.S.
Bowen, Alfred
Brandt, Wesley
Brennan, Paul
Bricker, Warren
Brockwell, Ronald
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Brook, Thomas
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Brown, Ken
Brown, Robert
Brundage, Ron
Brydge, Donald
Buchholz, Richard
Buening, Edward
Burns, James
Burr, Chuck
Burwick, Larry
Campbell, Douglas
Caporiccio, Guy
Carroll, Anita
In Memory of Capt., Thomas McAdams
Caso, Victor
Cassano, Salvatore
Cederquist, Dennis
Chattin, Frederick
Chipman, Stephen
Christeson, Frank
Church, Frank
Clement, Stephen
Connolly, Gerald
Cornelius, Jerry

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Dart, Larry
Daub, August
Davenport, Allen
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Demasi, Ralph
Dirska, Alfred
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Drake, Charles
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Dunn, Marshall
Dunphy, Timothy
Effinger, John
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Emery, Dennis
Endres, Bradley
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Evens, Steven
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Fedorinchik, William
Ferrill, Grady
Field, Richard
Fierro, Jose
Filbert, John
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Fisher, Kenneth
Fisher, Robert
Forbes, Micheal
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Franks, Fred
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Gilmore, Jeffrey
Glenn, James
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Goode, David
Gordon, Ralph

Grubert, Paul
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Miller, Carl
Miller, S.
Miller, Marsha
Miller, Kenneth
Mitchell, Jerry
Mollhoff, Wayne
Montgomery, William
Morey, William
Morin, Donald
Morris, Glenn
Morrow, William
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Murphy, L.K.
Murphy, Thomas
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Nelson, John
Newman, Gary
Noris, Danny
Ochowicz, William
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In Memory of , Rick O'Dell
O'Neill, Timothy
Orzo, Joan
Paul, Mack
Pemberton, Donald
Perrin, Craig
Pierce, Leo
Pollard, Albert
Port, Rollie

Quinones, Eladio
Radzwillas, Arminda
Randolph, James
Rankin, William
Rauh, Theodor
Rawlings, Jack
Rawson, Robert
Reed, Robert
Reeves, Daniel
Reid, E.
Rexinger, Elwyn
Rice, Danny
Rinne, Howard
Romero, Savio
Roper, Everette
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Rucker, Richard
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Rusteberg, Homer
Sakole, Michael
Sanchez, Vincent
Scahill, Jim
Schmidt, Dennis
Schmitt, Thomas
Scholz, Clayton
Schunck, James
Scott, Alexander
Sellars, Marvin
Simmons, Michael
Skinner, Byron
Slusher, Rodney
Smit, Arthur
Smith, William
Smith, Earl
Sobus, Timothy
Soderlund, Paul
Soule, Robert
Stivers, Terry
Strycker, William
Sucato, Richard
Suhre, Bill
Sullivan, John
Sussman, Bob
Swan, Val
Swartz, Larry
Swiger, Rocky
Taylor, William
Taylor, David
Tepper, Elliott
Thomas, Richard
Thomas, John
Timmons, Donald
Tomchick, James
Tonkovich, Dennis

Scholarship Fund

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Casten, Walter

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Crow, John Sherman
Mulcahey, Daniel
Honoring, George S. Patton IV
Ruoff, Michael
Shumaker, Barry
Sugihara, Marty
Tomsheck Mark,
Roxanne DeRolf
In Memory of
Duane G. Mertl

Silver Level

Higden, Ross
Simon, Henry

Bronze Level

Dominquez, Jesus
Jones, John
Rhoda, James

Assistance Fund

Gold Level

Walsh, Courtney

Memorial Fund

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Williamson, Gerald

Silver Level

Anglemyer, David

Bronze Level

Pytlak, George
Spencer, Donald

Calendar Fund

Platinum Level

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Brumm, Errol
Coover, David

Torres, Arturo
Tracy, Stephen
Traner, James
Trospier, Eddie
Twigg, Paul
Urrea, Bernardo
Vail, Richard
Varljen, Frank
Vicario, Raymond
Villarreal, Emilio
Volta, Donald
Walker, Dan
Waller, W. A.
Walter, Pete
Ware, Ralph
Watkins, Michael
Watkins, Charles
Webb, Mark
West, Ralph
Wheeler, Richard
Wheelock, Thomas
White, Edward
Whitson, Thomas
Wickstrom, Eric
Williamson, Gerald
Willis, James
Wilson, Steve
Windemuller, Paul
Wolfe, Fredrick
Wood, Eddie
Wright, G.A.

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Aguilar, Arthur
Allen, David
Alsobrook, William
Andersen, Kevin
Andrews, Jerry
Apholz, William
Arana, Fredric
Arble, Patrick
Arce, Carlos
Arft, Larry
Argento, Chuck
Austin, William
Bachler, David
Bahnsen, Doc
Bailey, Benjamin
Baker, Daina
Barnes, Douglas
Barnes, William
Barrington, John
Bathe, Bill
Beas, John
Blaisdell, John
Bland, James
Blose, Michael
Bosko, Charles
Boswell, Wally
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Burris, Lonnie
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Cargile, Ronnie
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Carrier, Arlie
Caruso, Frank
Caswell, Jonathan
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Cramer, G. William
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Culver, Gary
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Dalton, David
Daniel, Ronald
Davis, Gordon
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Davis, Matthew
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Duckwall, John
Duke, Billy
Dunkle, Clarence
Duplantis, Blair
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Fremd, Harold
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Frens, John
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Gill, Charles
Glawson, Ronnie
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Herman, Paul
Hice, David
Higden, Ross
Hilden, Andrew
Hinkle, Weldon
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Holland, Thomas
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Kerns, Timothy
Kerr, John
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Larson, R.W.
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Malone, Walker
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Masley, Jon
Maurer, Benedict
Mayer, Jeffrey
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McCarthy, Joseph
McCarthy, John
McGill, James
McLendon, Glenn

McVicker, James
Mendelson, Philip
Monprode, Robert
Moody, Dennis
Moore, William
Moreno, Fred
Morrissey, Mathew
Moses, James
Nash, William
Newcomb, Dale
Norris, George
Nuckols, Keith
Nute, C.B.
Obenschain, Richard
O'Leary, Joseph
O'Loughlin, Brian
Opp, Terry
Orth, David
Overbay, James
Parks, John
Patin, Melvin
Patten, Thomas
Pearson, J. Richmond
Peckham, John
Petrusko, Donald
Philipp, Edward
Plisch, Clifton
Plummer, Kenneth
Poowell, Alexander
Pope, Ronald
Price, Dale
Price, Erick
Quinlan, Ruben
Quinn, Richard
Reinfeld, Edgar
Renda, Frank
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Rogers, Richard
Rosendahl, Myron
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Russell, W. Arthur
Rybacki, Henry
Saine, Dan
Sanderson, Arthur
Sartor, Donald
Sayers, Brenner
Scheumann, David
Schoettle, Francis
Schultz, John
Scott, Gary
Selvidge, Mark
Sevelius, Arthur
Sharpe, Larry
Sheldon, Dennis
Shepler, Michael
Sinervo, Vincent
Sink, Woodrow
Slomienski, Walter
Smith, James
Smith, Patrick
Smith, Thomas
Smith, Larry
Souza, Albert

Sonnier, Michael
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Eldridge Sonnier
Spriggs, Steven
Staffieri, Eustacchio
Starbuck, Todd
Steinwachs, Michael
Stogner, H. G.
Stringer, Stephen
Sunderman, Kenneth
Szymanski, Raymond
Templer, Thomas
Terry, Gary
Terry, Hardy
Thompson, Limmie
Tinsley, Jack
Tomsheck, Mark
Trammell, Horace
Trares, Bernard
Trentman, Harry
Trier, James
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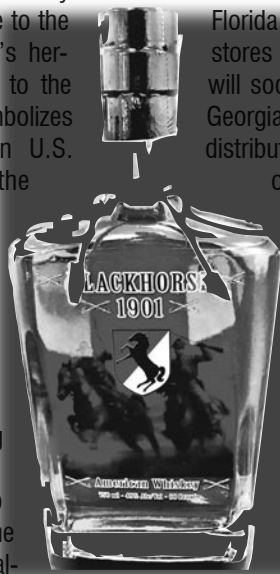
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Allons! Blackhorse 1901 Whiskey

This whiskey is the U.S. Cavalry and Armor Association's tribute to the famous Blackhorse Regiment's heritage and lineage from 1901 to the present. The bottle's label symbolizes the last mounted charge in U.S. Cavalry by troopers of the Blackhorse Regiment. When you pour Blackhorse into your glass, you will envision this cavalry charge. The Regiment charging with the red and white guidons flying high, the bugles sounding commands, the troopers' firing their pistols or sabers drawn at full gallop thundering into Ojo Azules putting fear in the hearts of the enemy. This cavalry charge and many other firsts and lasts in the history of the Regiment is what Blackhorse 1901 symbolizes. It is more than an American Whiskey; it is more than Cavalry; it is an attitude and state of mind.

Boundary Oak Distillery in Radcliff, KY distills and bottles Blackhorse 1901. Since its release in April 2018, we have sold over 1,500 bottles, mostly in Kentucky. Now, this legendary whiskey is sold by ABC Fine



Wines and Spirits in 100 stores across Florida and Spec's Liquors in it's 200 stores in Central and West Texas. It will soon be available in AAFES and Georgia. Please contact the above distributors and outlets to purchase or order this whiskey in honor of a legendary warfighting unit and troopers. For those from other states, contact your local spirits store and ask them to stock their shelves with Blackhorse 1901.

The U.S. Cavalry and Armor Association, a 501 C 3 non-profit, owns Blackhorse 1901. Your purchase does not support a large distillery or corporation. Your purchase supports the Association's mission, and the USCAA donates a portion of the proceeds to the Blackhorse Association. So raise your glasses of Blackhorse to the Souls of all dead troopers camped near a good old-time canteen, "and this eternal resting place is known as Fiddlers' Green." ALLONS!

Terry Tucker, MG, USA (Ret) 56th Colonel of the Blackhorse Regiment

Indiana History Class

What do you know of Indiana History? Hoosier High School Basketball, Bobby Knight, Vice President Mike Pence, Larry Bird, Payton Manning, maybe George Rogers Clark or Notre Dame football. Wait, there's more!

On Friday, August 28, at the reunion, we are scheduling a class in Indiana history at 1:00 PM in Ballroom 1 (One).

The class will last about 45 minutes. No exam. Come and enjoy...or sleep off your lunch.

Chaplain Bill Karabinos will review the history of the territory (now the state of Indiana), from the 1670's and LaSalle, through the Iroquois invasion and Beaver Wars, French forts and portages, George Rogers Clark and the American Revolution, Father Steven Baden buying the land for Notre Dame before Mad Anthony Wayne's victory at Fallen Timbers, American settlers, 1816 Statehood, the Second Great Awakening, the Underground Railway, Civil War Regiments, and who is a "Hoosier."

Afterwards, at 2:00 PM, for those adventurers and walkers, a 10-minute stroll to the Indiana State House for a guided tour. Or you can always go to the Bunker for fellowship.

No registration necessary, but if you want to join the tour, please sign up at the registration desk. sheet. Tour group limited to about 60. If more, we'll schedule another tour or you can go on your own. The Capitol at will be open 9-5.

Bandit Rendezvous

By Randy Gray and Gary Myers

The 11th ACR 3rd Squadron Aviation Section called themselves the BANDITS. In 2009, at the Santa Clara, CA, 11th CR Reunion, 5 Bandits got together and decided to find more Bandits and have a yearly reunion. Randy Gray spearheaded the project and since then they have had reunions at Ft. Knox, KY, Oklahoma City, Bonita Springs, FL, Brevard, NC, Ft Rucker, AL, Vermillion, SD, Missoula, MT and recently in Colorado Springs, CO. Of those that served as Bandits 1968-1970, 22 have been contacted and 20 have attended one or more of the gatherings. It was determined that 5 were deceased prior to 2010. Since the first reunion in 2010, an additional 4 Bandits have transitioned to Fiddlers Green.

The four day reunion in Colorado Springs was attended by 9 Bandits and 6 family members. Activities included tours of the WWII Aviation Museum, the Air Museum at Peterson Air Force Base, Garden of the Gods Park, and the Visitor Center at the Air Force Academy. The highlight of the reunion was a visit to Ft Carson where the 404th Aviation Support Battalion rolled out the red carpet for our veterans. Led by Major Bobby Hollingsworth, the 404th crew pulled out an Apache to the tarmac and each Bandit was given the chance to get in the gunner's, or pilot's seat. This was followed by a tour of the maintenance hangar and then a visit to the Simulator facility. Simulator flying was available in the Chinook, the Apache, and the Blackhawk's pilots and gunner positions. With lots of smiles and a few tears shed, these vets climbed out of their simulator seats, and 50 years had floated away!

The Bandits pictured below L-R are Bill Schwent, Gene Howe, Dennis Drake, Randy Gray, Eldon Nygard, Warren Bricker, David "Hutch" Hutchinson, Ray Cables (kneeling), Wayne Wood (beard), & Gary Myers. Sadly, on Dec 2nd CW2 David "Hutch" Hutchinson passed on to Fiddlers Green. He will be missed.

HISTORY OF THE BANDITS

When the 11th Armored Cavalry Regiment deployed to South Vietnam in 1966, each of the three organic Squadrons had an Aviation Section as a part of their organization. Initially, the aircraft inventory consisted of four OH 23 helicopters used primarily as aerial observer platforms and had limited Command and Control func-



tions. This three-place helicopter with a piston driven engine was underpowered and was not armed.

In July 1968, the Aviation Section of the 3rd Squadron was augmented with two UH 1C "HUEY" helicopters when the Air Cavalry Troop was upgraded to AH1G "COBRA" Aircraft. This gave the squadron added capabilities to include limited combat assault, Cover/Security of the OH23, Combat Resupply, and Medical Evacuation.

In August 1968, the 3rd Squadron Aviation Section Commander, 1LT FL Kirby obtained permission from the Disney Corporation to adopt "Yosemite Sam" as the official Mascot of the "Bandits." About this time, the Section was given OH6 Helicopters commonly called the "LOACH." These turbine powered aircraft gave the squadron an enhanced scouting capability. With improved armament, increased power, and enhanced maneuverability, the Scout, and Forward Command and Control functions were done exclusively with the OH6. This freed the UH1 Aircraft to take on more missions such as Aerial Resupply, Medevac, and improved Command and Control for the Squadron Commander. The unit transitioned from the UH1C to the newer UH1D, and finally to the UH1H.

During the period 1966-1971, dozens of Aviators, Crew Chiefs, and Door Gunners served the Bandits with great honor and distinction. This is documented by many awards for Valor and an extremely high incidence of awards of the Purple Heart.



Welcome Aboard!

New Members of the 11th Armored Cavalry's Veterans of Vietnam and Cambodia (11th ACVVC) since our last issue of *Thunder Run*. Are you looking for an old friend? Please contact any Officer or Board Member listed on page 2 for help.

NAME	DATES	NAME	DATES	NAME	DATES
31ST ENGINEER BATTALION		F TROOP, 2/11		I TROOP, 3/11	
Anglemyer, David	68-68	Chase, John L Sr	71-72	Roache, Martin J	69-70
D COMPANY, 1/11		HOWITZER BATTERY, 2/11			
Mason, Clinton	67-67	Swartz, Dennis L	67-68		



Fiddler's Green

We are sorry to report the following Troopers have taken the journey to Fiddler's Green. We send our heartfelt sympathy and sincere condolences to their families and friends. We honor their service to our country and to our regiment by posting their names. Over 500 U.S. newspapers are checked daily for the keywords "11th Cavalry" or "11th Armored Cavalry". Information is then posted on our website to allow us to post notices. Please check the "Funeral Honor Guard check daily" at www.11thcavnam.com

James O. Burkhead,

HHT Regiment (1968-1968) passed away on July 13, 2017. He was a LIFE member of the 11th ACVVC and resided in Lancaster, KY. He was laid to rest in Camp Nelson National Cemetery, Nicholasville, KY.

William P. Caron, 919th Engineer Company (1966-1967) passed away on September 6, 2019. He was a member of the 11th ACVVC and resided in Terryville, CT. He was laid to rest in Connecticut State Veterans Cemetery, Middletown, CT.

Joseph E. Dell Aria, Howitzer Battery, 3/11 (1970-1971) passed away on February 16, 2020. He was a LIFE member of the 11th ACVVC and resided in Beavercreek, OH. He was laid to rest in Valley View Memorial Gardens, Xenia, OH.

Michael E. Dietrich, F Troop, 2/11 (1970-1970) passed away on March 9, 2020. He was a LIFE member of the 11th ACVVC and resided in West Unity, OH. He was laid to rest in Pleasant View Union Cemetery, Fayette, OH.

Richard A. Eissfeldt, H Company, 2/11 (1966-1967) passed away on June 1, 2019. He was a member of the 11th ACVVC and resided in Ballwin, MO. He was laid to rest in Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery, St. Louis, MO.

Michael J. Everhart, I Troop, 3/11 (1970-1971) passed away on June 4, 2018. He was a member of the 11th ACVVC and resided in East Sparta, OH. He was laid to rest in Greenlawn Cemetery, Tuscarawas County, OH.

Rickman W. Fish, Howitzer Battery, 3/11 (1970-1970) passed away on March 22, 2019. He was a LIFE member of the 11th ACVVC and resided in Scottsdale, AZ.

Charles G. Foreman, HHT, 2/11 (1969-1970) passed away on March 1, 2018. He was a member of the 11th ACVVC and resided in Salt Lake City, UT. He was laid to rest in Utah State Veterans Memorial Park, Bluffdale, UT.

Peter M. Frask, K Troop, 3/11 (1969-1970) passed away on January 8, 2020. He was a member of the 11th ACVVC and resided in Drums, PA. He was laid to rest in Most Precious Blood Cemetery, Hazelton, PA.

Terry M. Hill, G Troop, 2/11 (1970-1971) passed away on January 6, 2020. He was a LIFE member of the 11th ACVVC and resided in Murfreesboro, TN. He was laid to rest in Miller Cemetery, Christiana, TN.

Leran E. Holmes, E Troop, 2/11 (1969-1970) passed away on October 23, 2017. He was a member of the 11th ACVVC and resided in Waldron, AR. He was laid to rest in Friendship Cemetery, Waldron, AR.

Byrl D. Holt, HHT, 2/11 (1967-1968) passed away on February 10, 2020. He was a LIFE member of the 11th ACVVC and resided in Elizabethton, TN. He was laid to rest in Mountain Home National Cemetery, Mountain Home, TN.

Robert L. Jaranowski, HHT, 2/11 (1969-1970) passed away on July 13, 2017. He was a LIFE member of the 11th ACVVC and resided in Hickory Hills, IL.

Wilhelm G. Laun, M Company, 3/11 (1966-1967) passed away on May 12, 2019. He was a member of the 11th ACVVC and resided in Boynton Beach, FL. He was laid to rest in South Florida National Cemetery, Lake Worth, FL.

Michael A. Mesardjian, 37th Medical Company (1969-1970) passed away on October 7, 2018. He was a LIFE member of the 11th ACVVC and resided in Spartanburg, SC.

Donald W. Murphy, HHT, 2/11 (1970-1971) passed away on January 5, 2020. He was a LIFE member of the 11th ACVVC and resided in Russell, KS.

James W. O'Brien, K Troop, 3/11 (1970-1970) passed away on January 18, 2020. He was a LIFE member of the 11th ACVVC and resided in Phoenix, AZ.

Ralph W. Palmer, Air Cavalry Troop (1970-1970) passed away on April 3, 2017. He was a member of the 11th ACVVC and resided in Wickenburg, AZ.

Roger E. Przybilla, Air Cavalry Troop (1965-1967) passed away on January 29, 2020. He was a LIFE member of the 11th ACVVC and resided in Pierz, MN. He was laid to rest in Minnesota State Veterans Cemetery, Little Falls, MN.

Donald D. Reed, 398th Transportation Detachment (1968-1969) passed away on February 4, 2020. He was a LIFE member of the 11th ACVVC and resided in Temperance, MI. He was laid to rest in Whiteford Union Cemetery, Ottaway Lake, MI.

Timothy J. Shine, L Troop, 3/11 (1966-1967) passed away on January 29, 2020. He was a LIFE member of the 11th ACVVC and resided in Garrett, IN.

Thomas H. Spahr, HHT, 2/11 (1966-1967) passed away on January 18, 2020. He was a LIFE member of the 11th ACVVC and resided in Irwin, PA. He was laid to rest in National Cemetery Of The Alleghenies, Bridgeville, PA.

Edward W. Van Nostrand, HHT, 3/11 (1970-1971) passed away on January 29, 2017. He was a member of the 11th ACVVC and resided in Louisville, KY. He was laid to rest in Kentucky Veterans Cemetery Central, Radcliff, KY.

Lawrence W. Walker, G Troop, 2/11 (1969-1970) passed away on September 17, 2015. He was a LIFE member of the 11th ACVVC and resided in San Jose, CA. He was laid to rest in Oak Hill Memorial Park, San Jose, CA.

August K. Whitlock, A Troop, 1/11 (1970-1971) passed away on January 20, 2020. He was a LIFE member of the 11th ACVVC and resided in Saint Paul, MN.

Gary D. Williams, 395th Signal Company (1967-1968) passed away on August 19, 2019. He was a member of the 11th ACVVC and resided in East Peoria, IL.

John M. Wyner, HHT, 1/11 (1967-1968) passed away on November 21, 2019. He was a member of the 11th ACVVC and resided in Des Moines, IA. He was laid to rest in Jewish Glendale Cemetery, Des Moines, IA.

Horace E. Yell, 919th Engineer Company (1968-1969) passed away on March 12, 2019. He was a LIFE member of the 11th ACVVC and resided in Lewisburg, TN. He was laid to rest in Hopper Cemetery, Lewisburg, TN.

K Troop Reunion in Branson, May 5-7

Bill Lewellen

Brothers, we are having a gathering of "K" Troop, and a few family and friends of K Troop in Branson, Mo. on May 5-6-7, 2020 at the Lodge of the Ozarks, located at 3431 W. Hwy 76 in Branson, Mo.

The Hotel rate will be \$81.00 per night plus tax; free parking and free hot deluxe breakfast included. Rates are good 2 days before and or 2 days after.

Don't call the Hotel desk for your reservation. Please call Renee at 1-800-335-2555, or 1-417-335-2555 between 8-5, Monday - Friday and the code is K TROOP for the \$81.00 rate. Renee handles all groups for the Hotel. Plan to come early and stay late as there is a lot to do in Branson, and a lot more within a 1 hour drive of Branson.

I'm recommending we go together to the Huges Brothers music show at 2:00 pm the 6th, and Dolly Parton's Stampede at 5:30 pm the 7th. Dolly's show has a good meal and a variety

show as well as a pre-show. I also want to go to the Veterans Park at the College about 10:00 am on the 7th. We can discuss all of this and change whatever Tuesday evening in our gathering room. I plan to arrive on the 4th and will have our gathering room open that evening. Bring your family and friends and let's have a good time.

Please make your reservations ASAP, then if we need more rooms we can still get them. Remember you can cancel up to 24 hours before your arrival date.

Please look over who received this e-mail and if you can help spread the word to someone who I don't have an e-mail address for, please do so. Thank You.

I am also including in this the 5 people who have told me they could not make it just to keep them informed. This notice will also be published in the 2nd qtr edition of "Thunder Run".

See you in Branson

Bill

Some interesting stuff from Uncle John's Bathroom Reader *

(published 2009)

Top Army Flicks: Sergeant York (1941), The Longest Day (1962), The Green Berets (1968), Patton (1970), Mash (1970), Apocalypse Now (1979), Platoon (1986), Glory (1989), Saving Private Ryan (1998), Black Hawk Down (2001) and my choice – We Were Soldiers (2002)

Top Marine Flicks: Tell it to the Marines (1926), Gung Ho (1943), Pride of the Marines (1945), Sands of Iwo Jima (1949), Heartbreak Ridge (1986), Full Metal Jacket (1987), Born on the Fourth Of July (1989), A Few Good Men (1992), Flags of Our Fathers & Letters From Iwo Jima (2006).

Top Navy Flicks: The Fighting Sea Bees (1944), They Were Expendable (1945), Mister Roberts (1955), The Caine Mutiny (1954), Tora! Tora! Tora! (1970), Midway (1976), Top Gun, (1986), The Hunt for Red October (1990), Crimson Tide (1995).

Top Air Force Flicks: Wings (1927), Air Force (1943), Twelve O'Clock High (1949), Strategic Air Command (1955), No Time for Sergeants (1958), A Gathering of Eagles (1963), Dr. Strangelove (1964), The Right Stuff (1983), The Tuskegee Airmen (1995).

Top Coast Guard Flicks: Rugged Water (1925), Sea Spoilers (1936), Sea Devils (1937), Tars and Spars (1946), The Beast from 20,000 Fathoms (1953), Onionhead (1958), The Guardian (2006).



I have never bene to Arlington- or to the real wall. Seems I'm not ready even after all these years. Anyway, here are some interesting numbers about Arlington.

0 - cost to families for burial of a veteran and veteran's spouse.

1 - Number of people buried at Arlington Cemetery who were born there, James Parks, a former slave helped bury the first soldiers and laid to rest there himself.

2 - U.S. Presidents buried there- William H. Taft and John F. Kennedy.

3 - Enemy soldiers from nearby POW camps buried at Arlington Cemetery in accord with the Geneva Conventions during World War II: Italian soldiers Arcangelo Prudenza and Marlo Batist and German soldier Anton Hilderath.

3 - Iwo Jima flag raisers buried at Arlington- privates Michael Strank, Ira Hayes, and Rene Gagnon.

3 - Hours it takes to place a flag before each soldier's gravestone and niche in preparation for Memorial Day.

13 - Number of times the flag is folded into a triangle, stars out, in one minute and 54 seconds, while the hymn is played.

4:00 - Time that the caisson team reports to stables each morning.

28 - Average number of funerals each day.

30 - Years Mary Custis Lee- great grand-daughter of George Washington, lived at Arlington House with her husband, Confederate General Robert E. Lee.

47 - Most burials in one day- during the Viet Nam War. 60- Section where most of the soldiers who died on Afghanistan and Iraq are buried (as of date of publication of this book 2009).

\$92.07 – Unpaid property tax that allowed tax officers to seize Arlington House and grounds in 1862.

409 - Confederate soldiers buried at Arlington.

624 - Acres of ground that constitute Arlington Cemetery.

2025 - Estimated year when Arlington will run out of burial space.

3,800 – Former slaves buried in section 27 who lived in Freeman's Village on the Arlington grounds between the Civil War and the 1890's.

4,735 - Unknowns buried in Arlington Cemetery, mostly from the Civil War era.

*Note: Data as available when published in 2009 by the Bathroom Reader Institute... (for real !!!!). Provided courtesy of Chuck Bosko.

The 11th Armored Cavalry's Veterans of Vietnam and Cambodia QM Store



#1 Coffee Mug \$15.00



#2 Key Ring Embroidered \$6.00



#3 Bumper Sticker \$3.00



#4 Window Sticker \$3.00



#7 Blackhorse Patch Colored \$5.00



#8 Mouse Pad \$12.00



#10 Web Belt with buckle \$25.00



#9 CIB car magnet, 3"x4" \$6.00



#13 License Plate, Blackhorse \$9.00



#11 Flag, Indoor/Outdoor \$60.00



#16 Tote Bag, Embroidered \$22.00



#17 Blackhorse Pin \$5.00



#14 License Plate Frame, Black w/white letters \$13.00



#15 Attache Case \$30.00



#18 11th ACR Regimental Crest \$5.00



#19 Blackhorse Cavalry Pin \$5.00



#26 Large Magnetic Patch (8" x 7 3/4") \$7.00



#20 Vietnam Blackhorse Pin, Wreath \$5.00



#21 Small Magnetic Patch (5"x4 3/4") \$5.00



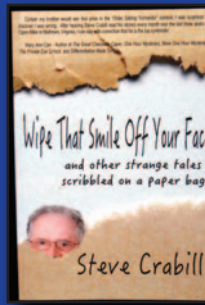
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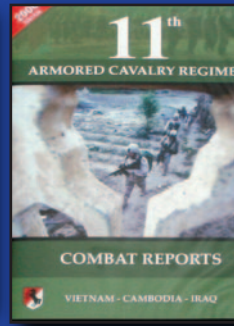
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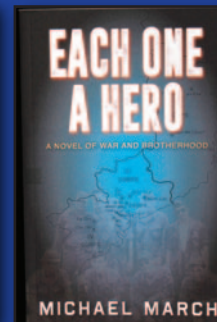
#5 Hoodie Sweat Shirt \$30.00



#27 Book, "Wipe That Smile Off Your Face" \$16.00



#28 Video (DVD) Combat Reports \$30.00



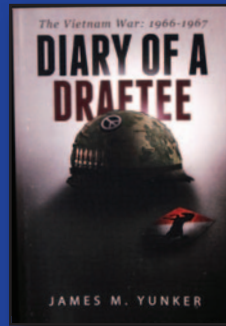
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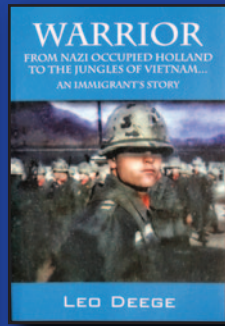
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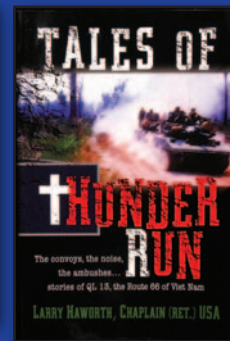
#25 Blackhorse Coin \$15.00



#32 Book: Diary of a Draftee \$22.00



#35 Book, "Warrior" \$16.00



#37 Book, "Tales of Thunder Run" by Chaplain Larry Haworth \$11.00



#30 Car Flag \$25.00



#34a
#34 Signs \$25.00



#34b



#29 Ladies Necklace \$18.00



#36. Sweatshirts w/ BH patch, \$28.00

#40 Specialty T-Shirt: sizes S, M, L, 2X, 3X, 4 X \$20



#38a



#38b



#38c



#38d

#38 Poplin Hats \$17.00



#39 a/b T-Shirt, Light Gray & Green \$20.00



#43 Windbreaker, black w/snap front & BH Insignia & VN Ribbon, \$35.00



#41 Light (A) or Dark (B) Denim Shirt, w/BH & VN Ribbon \$35.00



#42 Blackhorse Jacket (lined), 100% Nylon \$95.00



HELLO TROOPERS !!

Jan and I hope all is well with you and your family. As I am writing this our prayers are going up for each and everyone. In conversation with our President Pete Walter the 2020 Reunion is still on unless things take a more drastic turn for the worst. So we will be looking forward to seeing everyone in Indianapolis in just a few months. You can go to the website 11thCavNam.com to find

out any information about the reunion. All updates will be posted on the site.

Again we are asking for volunteers; if you have any spare time please come by and help us out. We would appreciate it. We will be open Wednesday morning so please come by and see us.

And again!!! PLEASE...a lot of you guys are not filling out the bottom of the order form.. and no phone number so I can call you

to get sizes you left off. I'm including my Quartermaster phone number. But please be advised I do not answer it because I get a lot of Robo calls . So I will get any messages left on my voice mail. I will call you back, I just have to sort through them. 903-805-0703 is my number. My email is jerrylbea@aol.com. You can email me your orders as well.

So take a good look at the order form as things are changing from time to time. And postage rates went up again, so please help make things simpler for us to meet your demands.

We are looking forward to seeing everyone in Indy in just a few months.

We pray everyone stays well and safe in the next few months.....

ALLONS

Jerry

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Due dates to submit articles for *Thunder Run*

1st Quarter	Jan 1
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3rd Quarter	Jul 1
4th Quarter	Oct 1

All submissions for publication must be sent to: Peter L. Walter, 8 Tallowood Drive, Westampton, NJ 08060-3721; email basepiece70@verizon.net.

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

11th ARMORED CAVALRY'S VETERANS OF VIETNAM AND CAMBODIA

Membership is open to all troopers who served with or were attached to the 11th Armored Cavalry Regiment while in the countries of Vietnam or Cambodia from August 1966 thru March 1972. Membership is also open to the wives, parents and children of our Troopers killed in action.

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1.	Coffee Mug, white, ceramic (glass) 11oz w/full color Blackhorse insignia	15.00	_____	_____	_____
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5.	Hoodie Sweat Shirt.....	30.00	_____	_____	_____
7.	Blackhorse Shoulder Patch, Colored	5.00	_____	_____	_____
8.	Mouse Pads	12.00	_____	_____	_____
9.	CIB car magnet, 3"x4"	6.00	_____	_____	_____
10.	Belt: Military style 'web' trouser belt with Blackhorse buckle	25.00	_____	_____	_____
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13.	License Plate, metal red & white background with crossed sabers & 11	9.00	_____	_____	_____
14.	License Plate Frame, metal, black w/Blackhorse 11th US Cavalry in white	13.00	_____	_____	_____
15.	Attache Case w/shoulder strap 11.5" x 15.5" w/dir emb. BH insignia & VN rib	30.00	_____	_____	_____
16.	Tote Bag, red & black, 14x11x6 w/full color BH insignia and VN rib	22.00	_____	_____	_____
17.	Blackhorse Pin	5.00	_____	_____	_____
18.	11th ACR Regimental Crest	5.00	_____	_____	_____
19.	Blackhorse Cavalry Pin, brass, 11 over crossed sabers	5.00	_____	_____	_____
20.	Vietnam Blackhorse Pin w/wreath.....	5.00	_____	_____	_____
21.	Small Magnetic Patch "Blackhorse" (5"x 4 3/4")	5.00	_____	_____	_____
22.	Overnight Bag.....	25.00	_____	_____	_____
23.	Leather Gear Bag w/Blackhorse Insignia and pull handle	45.00	_____	_____	_____
25.	Blackhorse Coin	15.00	_____	_____	_____
26.	Large Magnetic Patch "Blackhorse" (8" x 7 3/4")	7.00	_____	_____	_____
27.	Book, "Wipe That Smile Off Your Face" by Steve Crabill	16.00	_____	_____	_____
28.	Video: "Combat Reports" (DVD Only)	30.00	_____	_____	_____
29.	Ladies Necklace	18.00	_____	_____	_____
30.	Car Flag	25.00	_____	_____	_____
31.	Book, "Each One A Hero," by Michael Marsh	20.00	_____	_____	_____
32.	Book, "Diary of a Draftee," by: James M. Yunker	22.00	_____	_____	_____
33.	Book, "Heroes of the 11th Armored Cavalry Regiment"	20.00	_____	_____	_____
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35.	Book, "Warrior," by Leo Deege	16.00	_____	_____	_____
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37.	Book, "Tales of Thunder Run," by Chaplain Larry Haworth	11.00	_____	_____	_____
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39.	Blackhorse T-shirt, 100% cotton, preshrunk, full color BH insignia. Specify color: <input type="checkbox"/> Light Gray <input type="checkbox"/> Green	20.00	_____	_____	_____
40.	Specialty T-Shirt: sizes S, M, L, XL, 2X, 3X, 4 X	20.00	_____	_____	_____
41.	Denim shirt (men's) <input type="checkbox"/> Light (A) <input type="checkbox"/> Dark (B)	35.00	_____	_____	_____
42.	Blackhorse Jacket, 100% Nylon, zipper front, fleece lining w/full color BH insignia, (6" back), and ACVVC front left	95.00	_____	_____	_____
43.	Windbreaker, black w/snap front, BH insignia & VN Ribbon	35.00	_____	_____	_____

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