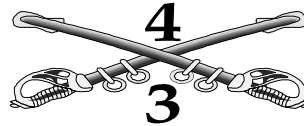


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3/4 CAVALRY



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## REUNION PLANNING UPDATE

This is the second notice on our reunion in Kansas City on July 26-30, 2006. We are only 10 months away and it'll be on us soon. **Registration forms for the reunion and tours are on pages 6 and 7.**

You can reserve your room now by calling the Marriott Airport at 800-810-2771. Those of you who have attended in the past know that you need to reserve your room early. For you "newbies", don't wait. You're not charged until you check-in. Should you have to cancel, again there's no charge, providing you cancel in a timely manner.

Also, get your registration in to "KC" Allcock. Allen will have lots to do preparing for the reunion and we don't want to "dump" on him at the last minute as the reunion draws near.

Come early or stay late. Make it a family vacation. There's plenty to see and do in and around Kansas City. Feeling lucky? There's riverboat gambling and a dog track nearby. Take in a baseball game of the Royals. Maybe there'll be a NASCAR race at the Kansas City Speedway. Get some great Kansas City Bar-B-Q. See the Pony Express Museum in St. Joseph, MO. Visit past U.S. President Harry Truman's home in Independence, MO. Should make for a great reunion.

## SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

The 25th Division Association awards scholarships to all sons/step-sons, daughters/step-daughters, and grandchildren of **ELIGIBLE** 25th veterans. To be **ELIGIBLE**, you **MUST BELONG to the 25th Infantry Division Association**. If you haven't joined yet you need to do so. See DUES for information. **Note: For a student to be eligible for a scholarship the parent or grandparent has to have been a member of the 25<sup>th</sup> IDA for a minimum of one year. JOIN NOW!**

The 3/4 CAV Chapter annually donates \$1,000. This is awarded to an **ELIGIBLE** child/grandchild of a 3/4 Cavalry veteran. Megan Louya, granddaughter of Homer Louya, A Troop 66-67, received the 2005 scholarship. Make tax-deductible donations to our treasurer, Bob Bingham.

## NEW MEMBERS FOUND

John R. Doyle, A Troop, 8/69-8/70,  
Lancaster, CA  
Freddy Hayes, HHT 1/70-12/70, Aritow, AL  
Donald King, B, HHT, A Troops, 4/60-4/63,  
3/65-9/66, Pink Hill, NC

**Steven Stankovich, A Troop, 2/04-Present,  
Wahiawa, HI**  
**Bobby Taylor, B Troop, 65-66, Morganton,  
NC**  
**Clyde Thomas, HHT 5/64-11/65, Stuart, VA**  
**Warren Waite, Jr., D Troop (Air), 2/68-2/69,  
Los Angeles, CA**

Current number of former 3/4 Cavalry troopers  
found – **1,329**

**NOTE: 481 are on the mailing list.**

Keep searching for former  
troopers.

## **MEMBERS LOST**

The following members have been lost since the  
March newsletter. Please try to locate them.

**JIM BALLINGER, THE DALLES, OR**

## **VIETNAM VETERANS MEMORIAL PLAZA**

If you live near the City of Chicago, try to  
attend the dedication ceremony on  
November 11<sup>th</sup> of the new Vietnam  
Veterans Memorial Plaza at the  
Riverwalk along Wacker Drive between  
Wabash Avenue and State Street.

Roger McGill, HHT, 65-66, is one of the  
sub-committee chairmen overseeing this  
event. Roger is looking for support and

assistance from other Vietnam veterans  
to insure the successful activities  
surrounding the re-commissioning of this  
historic landmark in the City of Chicago in  
honor of Vietnam Veterans and their  
families.

For more information, please contact  
Roger at [C2JR@aol.com](mailto:C2JR@aol.com).

## **SICK CALL**

*NOTE: Sick call will be a new feature and  
will be in each newsletter as needed. If  
you know of anyone who should be  
included, please contact  
[jaheadley@adelphia.net](mailto:jaheadley@adelphia.net) with the  
information.*

Roberto Molinary, B Troop 63-66, was  
diagnosed with lymphoma last fall. He  
underwent radiation therapy this past  
winter. A new cancer growth was found in  
June and he is undergoing chemotherapy  
and radiation treatment in the hopes of  
remission. He is already making plans to  
attend our reunion in July. You may send  
a card or note to Roberto at 204  
Somerset Dr., Columbia, SC 29223

Roberto's daughter Rosie is asking for  
your help and prayers. She is working  
with Team in Training to raise money for  
the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society. If  
you are able to contribute, contact  
[www.active.com/donate/tntwnc/tntwncRMolina  
1](http://www.active.com/donate/tntwnc/tntwncRMolina1).

Norma Quickmire, Carl's wife, has been  
undergoing kidney dialysis and has had  
to have a leg amputated. Carl sends the  
following: "Norma is healing slowly but  
making progress. We are both thankful  
for all your cards, emails and prayers.  
Please keep her in your prayers." You

may send a card to 1 Sweet Bay Dr., Columbia, SC 29209.

Chris Hemminger, B Troop 68-69, has been diagnosed with prostate cancer. He will have surgery on September 19<sup>th</sup> and will be recuperating for the next three to four weeks. You may send a card to 5686 N. Zimmer Rd., Williamston, MI 48895.

As this newsletter goes to press \$96,000 has been raised. \$450,000 will be needed. The 3/4 CAV Chapter has donated \$1,000 to date. The Wolfhound Chapter has pledged \$5,000. Your donations are needed.

The final phase is planned to be completed by September 2006. The unveiling will take place during the 25<sup>th</sup> IDA reunion in Hawaii.

More information can be found in FLASHES or [www.25thida.com](http://www.25thida.com). You may send your tax-deductible donation or pledge to 25<sup>th</sup> Infantry Division Assn., P.O. Box 7, Flourtown, PA 19031-0007.

## **ANOTHER OPPORTUNITY TO GO BACK TO NAM**

Dave Devries, C/D Troop, 68-69, is planning another trip back to Viet Nam in March/April 2006. Max number that can go is 30. Cost will be \$2475. Includes 17 days, 15 in Vietnam.

If you are interested contact Dave at [dgdevries@sbcglobal.net](mailto:dgdevries@sbcglobal.net).

## **25<sup>th</sup> INFANTRY DIVISION MEMORIAL STATUS**

Those of you who are members of the 25<sup>th</sup> Infantry Division Association (25<sup>th</sup> IDA) received a detail account of the status of fund raising for our memorial. The 25<sup>th</sup> Infantry Division Association has taken the lead in obtaining funds for the construction of a memorial honoring all 25<sup>th</sup> Infantry Division soldiers who have lost their lives in all wars.

## **DUES**

### ***3/4 CAV Dues***

Send your dues (\$10 Annual/\$75 Life) payable to 3/4 CAV Chapter to P.O. Box 23678 Lexington, KY 40523-3678. Your dues pay for the publication and mailing of your *MacKENZIE'S RAIDERS* newsletter. **Attach a copy of your DD-214.**

### ***25th Infantry Division Dues***

Send your 25th Infantry Division Association dues (\$15 Annual/ \$150 Life) to P.O. Box 7, Flourtown, PA 19031-0007. **Attach a copy of your DD-214 or other documentation of service.**

***“All we have of freedom, all we use or know – this our fathers bought for us, long and long ago.”***

***Rudyard Kipling***

## **A HALF YEAR AWAY**

By (former) Sp5 Jon G. Sundelof, Medic  
HHT, 1969-1970

I'm a year away from you  
And have half a year yet to go.  
The half that is through  
Was painful, it's so.

But the time still ahead  
Fills me with dread.

It stretches out; it seems, so far  
In front, and shrinks so small behind.  
Time must really laugh (har,har)  
At how it's messing up my mind.

The boys are dying once again,  
Now that the rain has stopped.  
People are marching out again  
To tell us that we've flopped.

Thanks to them I'm glad I'm a Vet  
And I'm not about to give up yet.

In one small half I'll return  
To you, but not to them.  
Personally, I hope they burn  
As many of our boys have, to stem  
The enemy tide  
That's caused me  
This pain and loneliness.

## **HOW TO GET DISABILITY COMPENSATION**

You may be eligible for disability compensation from VA if you are suffering with any service-connected illness or injuries. The disability must have been incurred or aggravated during active duty service. Vietnam veterans also have special access to disability compensation for illnesses or injuries related to exposure to Agent Orange and other herbicides used in Vietnam. Furthermore, the service of the veteran must have been terminated from military service through separation or discharge under conditions that were other than dishonorable.

Compensation is not automatically given to any veteran. VA veteran's service representatives (VSRs) can provide the necessary application and assist veterans who need help it. VSRs are located at VA Regional Offices, in VA medical centers and at most VA clinics. For help in locating a VSR near you, call the following toll-free number: **1-800-827-1000**.

## **QUARTERMASTER STORE**

**NOTE: POSTAGE FOR SHIPPING AND HANDLING IS INCLUDED IN YOUR ORDERS. SEND YOUR CHECK OR MONEY ORDER PAYABLE TO 3/4 CAVALRY CHAPTER TO P.O. BOX 23678, LEXINGTON, KY 40523-3678, EXCEPT WHERE NOTED. ALSO, VENDORS ARE NOT AS RESPONSIVE AS WE'D LIKE AT TIMES. SO BE PATIENT IF YOUR ORDER SEEMS TO TAKE LONGER THAN WE WISH.**

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**3/4 CAV CHALLENGE COIN.** Cost \$7.00. Send your order to, 3rd Squadron, 4th Cavalry, Attn: S-1, Bldg. 190 Santos Dumont Ave., Wheeler Army Airfield, HI 96854. Make the check payable to **OLD BILL FUND.**

**POLO SHIRTS.** Navy Blue with embroidered 4<sup>th</sup> Cavalry Crest, crossed sabers and Mackenzie's Raiders on left front. Cost \$34.00.

**SWEATSHIRTS.** Navy Blue with embroidered 4<sup>th</sup> Cavalry Crest, crossed sabers and Mackenzie's Raiders on left front. Cost \$34.00.

**T-SHIRT.** Navy Blue T-Shirt with embroidered regimental crest on front. Cost \$20.00.

**PINS, WINDOW STICKERS.** We have a few cap pins, and window stickers left from the last reunion. Pins are \$5 and stickers are \$3. Get them while they last.

**CAPS.** Cost \$12.00. CAV yellow with embroidered regimental crest and motto. Better get two!

**CAV LICENSE PLATES.** Cost is \$11.00. First come first served. Order now!

**PATCHES.** We have two different types that are like our crest. One is ornate and for wear on a blazer or sports jacket. Cost \$25. Another is a sew on like you had in Nam. Cost \$5.

**CROSSED SABERS.** Crossed sabers pin like on our newsletter. Cost \$8.00.

**MINATURE CREST.** Cost \$5.00.

**POEM.** Cost \$10.00. Jim Locklear wrote the poem "Vietnam Vet" and his new one "Welcome Home". Jim will donate all money made from the sale of these poems to the scholarship fund. **Send your order to Jim Locklear. P.O. Box 824, Pembroke, NC 28372.**

**COFFEE MUG.** Stoneware coffee mug. Beige or Green. 4th Cav crossed sabers in raised relief. **Send \$15.00 to Steve Heartsill, 3228 Saxon Dr., Lexington, KY 40503.**

## **3/4 CAV TO BE REORGANIZED**

*Our squadron is scheduled to be reorganized and reflagged this November. This is being done in accordance with the U.S. Army's restructuring plan.*

*Details will appear in our December newsletter. Also, a brief bio of the commander, LTC Malcolm Frost, will be included.*

*Chart is posted on our website.*

### **CHECK LIST: HAVE YOU**

- X Paid your dues?
- X Joined the 25th Infantry Division Association?
- X Made a donation to the scholarship fund, general fund or Division Memorial?
- X Found a new member?
- X Made plans to attend our reunion?