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"The willingness with which our young people are likely to serve in any war, no matter how justified, shall be directly proportional to how they perceive the veterans of earlier wars were treated and appreciated by their nation.

George Washington

"People who do something and fail are infinitely better than those who do nothing and succeed"

#### **ASSOCIATION OFFICERS**

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## **THE CAMDEN LIGHT ARTILLERY ASSOCIATION**

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## **COMMANDER'S COMMENTS**

Recently eleven members of our association traveled to Washington, DC with the Marine Corps League to witness the Silent Drill Team perform in the evening parade. In addition we had the opportunity to visit several of the monuments and have dinner at Ft. Myers. It turned out to be a long and wonderful day filled with camaraderie and new friendships. The Trenton Detachment of the Marine Corps League conducted a very well-organized and fun-filled day for fifty-three attendees. In addition to everything else, two of our members won door prizes that were part of the program.

Our sincere appreciation to the Marine Corps League for offering us an invitation to attend this very impressive event conducted by the Marine Corps.

Col (Ret) Tony Radice

## **SUMMARY OF THE AUGUST 4TH, 2010 MEETING**

The meeting was called to order by the Commander at 1900 hours. All of the Staff was present. CPT Marc Kantor was appointed Logistics Officer in lieu of CPT Bob Constantine who resigned. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and the Chaplain gave the Invocation. A motion was made and seconded to approve the June minutes of the monthly meeting. The financial report was presented which identified a balance of \$2,563.75 in our treasury.

## **Commander's Report:**

Museum Report: The rugs have been laid and will be taped down, along with some other mechanical requirements on August 11<sup>th</sup>. Friday August 20<sup>th</sup> has been designated a "Housekeeping Workday". Several volunteers offered to report to the armory at 0900 hours to prepare the room for items that will go on display.

The Brunch scheduled for 19 Sep 10 at 1000 hours is being coordinated by CPT Strumpfer. An OPORD for the event will be presented at our September meeting.

Final arrangements were presented regarding the trip to Washington, DC with the Marine Corps League to have dinner and witness the Silent Drill Team in action on Friday August 6<sup>th</sup>.

CW Elberson reported that eight new members were added to the rolls as a result of a recent mailing requesting support from our former, and new members.

CPT Kantor continues to monitor and maintain our website and made a request for pictures and articles to include on the site.

Social events proposals are offered to the membership (see report below).

The meeting was adjourned at 1930 hours.

#### PROPOSED SOCIAL EVENTS

The following proposed trips are offered for your consideration.

August 28<sup>th</sup>: "Glenn Miller Orchestra at the American Music Theatre in Lancaster, PA. \$99.95 pp, lunch included.

October 17-21: Vermont & New Hampshire \$699.95 pp

For reservations to these two events you are asked to call Nancy Smith Kozic from Starr Tours Bus Company at 609 587-0626 Ext 1402. When calling please remember to say you are with "the Camden Light Artillery – Tony Radice".

## **MEETING DATES FOR 2010**

1 September 6 October 19 Sept (Brunch Social)\*\* 3 November

1 December (Christmas Social)\*\*\*

## **QUOTABLE QUOTES**

Santa Claus has the right idea. Visit people only once a year. Victor Borge

Only Irish coffee provides in a single glass all four essential food groups: alcohol, caffeine, sugar and fat. *Alex Levine* 

My luck is so bad that if I bought a cemetery, people would stop dying. Rodney Dangerfield

Money can't buy you happiness..But it does bring you a more pleasant form of misery. Spike Milligan

I don't feel old. I don't feel anything until noon. Then it's time for my nap. Bob Hope (probably referring to Bob DiMedio)

<sup>\*\*</sup> To be held at a Restaurant still to be determined.

<sup>\*\*\*</sup>To be held at the Cherry Hill Armory Artillery Events Room.

We could certainly slow the aging process down if it had to work its way through Congress. *Will Rogers* 

By the time a man is wise enough to watch his step, he's too old to go anywhere. Billy Crystall

#### **DID YOU KNOW THAT IN AUGUST OF**

1782 – The Purple Heart Award was established.

1814 - The British capture and burn Washington, DC.

1865 - The Civil War is officially declared over.

1945 - The first atomic bomb is dropped on Hiroshima.

1972 - The last U.S. ground troops leave Vietnam.

1990 – Operation Desert Shield begins.

## **STATE TROOPER**

A PA State Trooper was patrolling late at night off the main highway and sees a couple in a car with the interior light brightly glowing.

He carefully approaches the car to get a closer look. Then he sees a young man behind the wheel, reading a magazine. He immediately notices a young woman in the rear seat, filing her fingernails. Puzzled by this surprising situation, the trooper walks to the car and gently raps on the driver's window. The young man lowers the window. "Uh, yes Officer?"...

The Trooper asks: "What are you doing?" The young man says: "Well, Officer, I'm reading a magazine." Pointing towards the young woman in the back seat the trooper says: "And her, what is she doing?" The young man shrugs: "Sir, I believe she's filing her fingernails."

Now, the trooper is totally confused. A young couple, alone, in a car, at night in a lover's lane...and nothing obscene is happening!

The trooper asks: "What's your age, young man?" The young man says: "I'm 22 sir." The trooper asks: "And her...what's her age?" The young man looks at his watch and replies: "She'll be 18 in 11 minutes and 42 seconds, sir..."

## **FAMILY SUPPORT GROUP**



It is important to remember that we still have soldiers on Active Duty in a combat zone and those that have returned who have not been able to forget they were there. It's appropriate to say thank you for their service to our country.

## WHEN INSULTS HAD CLASS

"I have never killed a man, but I have read many obituaries with great pleasure." Clarence Darrow

"He has never been known to use a word that might send a reader to the dictionary." William Faulkner (about Ernest Hemingway)

"I didn't attend the funeral, but I sent a nice letter saying I approved of it."

Mark Twain

"He has not enemies, but is intensely disliked by his friends." Oscar Wilde

"He is a self-made man and worships his creator." John Bright

"Why do you sit there looking like an envelope without any address on it?"

Mark Twain

"His mother should have thrown him away and kept the stork." Mae West

## **NEVER FORGET THAT**

A Veteran – whether Active Duty, Retired, or National Guard or Reserve – is someone who, at one point in their life, wrote a blank check made payable to the United States of America for an amount of "up to and including my life."

## TO ALL OF OUR FALLEN COMRADES



Each of us has a bank. Its name is TIME. Every morning, it credits you with 86,400 seconds. Every night it writes off, as lost, whatever of this you have failed to invest to good purpose. It carries over no balance. It allows no overdraft.

Each day it opens a new account for you. Each night it burns the remains of the day. If you fail to use the day's deposits, the loss is yours. There is no going back. There is no drawing against the "tomorrow." You must live in the present on today's deposits. Invest it so as to get from it the utmost in health, happiness and success!

## **REQUEST FOR YOUR INPUT**

I would like to remind you that this is your newsletter. You are cordially invited to submit any information you think appropriate for the good of the command to the Commander (e-mail address on the first page of this newsletter) to be edited for inclusion in the following month's publication.

## I WAS A SOLDIER – I AM A SOLDIER – I WILL ALWAYS BE A SOLDIER

## **ASSOCIATION DUES**

Your membership expiration date is on your mailing label (just like a magazine subscription). It's your reminder to pay your dues. <u>Dues are \$20 per year.</u> Send checks to: Camden Light Artillery Association Inc.

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#### **OUR MISSION**

- To promote close association, friendship, understanding and cooperation between all member of the association.
- To foster and preserve the spirit, traditions and solidarity of the Field Artillery
- To provide various communicative means for keeping all members aware and involved in association developments.
- To conduct such social activities as may provide for a continuing close relationship and camaraderie among the membership
- To develop and maintain historical records on the lineage of the 1st Battalion 112th Field Artillery ancestors and it successors.
- To promote and support the provisions of the constitution of the United States of America.
- To provide community service to local civilian and military communities in time of need.

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