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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

“Feeling gratitude and not expressing it is like wrapping a present and not giving it”

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COMMANDER'S COMMENTS

It has been the desire of this association since it's inception to create a museum dedicated to the memory of the artillery and all that we held close for all the years that we have served. One person dedicated himself to collecting, storing and safeguarding any information that he could collect, or anyone was willing to donate, for a dream that he knew would one day become reality. Jack Elberson was finally able to open his supply room door and move all of the artifacts, pictures and trophies over to the museum. On August 20th, with the help of Lou Bovino, Joe Scioli, Jack Elberson, Warren Strumpfer, Chet Malek, Ed Powell and Marc Kantor, we finally completed the ceiling, hung curtains, touched up the painting, laid the rugs, cleaned the display cases and polished all the woodwork that allowed us to finally say "we have a museum." This will always be a project in progress and with the help of everyone will continue to improve over the years. I see this museum as a means to remember and enjoy all of what once was. When you see what has been accomplished in this museum, remember three names – Bovino, Scioli and Elberson. I am so proud to have been a part of the beginning.

Col (Ret) Tony Radice

SUMMARY OF THE SEPTEMBER 1st, 2010 MEETING

The meeting was called to order by the Commander at 1900 hours. The Logistics Officer and Chaplain were not present. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and a short prayer by the Commander was offered. A motion was made and seconded to approve the August minutes of the monthly meeting. The financial report was presented which identified a balance of \$2,579.52 in our treasury.

Commander's Report:

Museum Report: Official dedication of the museum will be held at our December Christmas meeting. The Station Commander, and his Administrative Officer, has been invited as our guest for the evening. Jack Elberson was approved to be the official Curator/Historian of the Association. The Constitution will be changed to reflect this change.

The Fall Sunday Brunch scheduled for 19 Sep 10 at 1000 hours will be held at the Stone Grill Restaurant in Clementon, NJ.

The Marine Corps League trip to Washington, DC on Friday August 6 was attended by eleven members of the association. Everything went off as planned and everyone enjoyed the monuments, dinner at Ft. Myers, and the ceremony performed by the USMC silent drill team. We returned home at 12:20 AM.

The Dine Out arrangements for February 26th, 2011 at the Tavistock Country Club was discussed. Everyone was reminded that a large portion of our success is how well we do on the AD book. Everyone was asked for help to support this project.

Social event proposal is offered to the membership (see report below).

Major DiMedio is seeking candidates to run for the office of Commander and Adjutant. The Elections will take place at our February Meeting.

The membership was reminded of the Historic Soldiers Weekend at Ft. Mifflin on September 25th & 26th and was asked for their participation.

The membership was informed that, at our October 6th meeting, a documentary of Camp Victory, Afghanistan will be presented by Col (Ret) Mike Shute. It tells the story of several NJ National Guardsmen who were stationed in Herat and their Afghan mentors who were given the enormous job of building the 207th Corps of the Afghan National Army. Col Shute, along with Carol Dysinger and General Fazil Saylor, were instrumental in developing this sought-after presentation. Members of our sister association, the 114th Infantry Regiment, were also invited to attend.

The meeting was adjourned at 1945 hours.

PROPOSED SOCIAL EVENTS

The following proposed trip is offered for your consideration.

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

For reservations 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”.

would be the first thing you would do?” She replied, “I’d give food and houses to all the homeless people.” Her parents beamed.

“Wow, what a worthy goal!” I told her. “But you don’t have to wait until you’re President to do that. You can come over to my house and mow the lawn, pull weeds, and sweep my yard, and I’ll pay you \$50. Then I’ll take you over to the grocery store where the homeless guy hangs out, and you can give him the \$50 to use toward food and a new house.”

She thought that over for a few seconds, then she looked me straight in the eye and asked, “Why doesn’t the homeless guy come over and do the work, and you can just pay him the \$50?”

I said, “Welcome to the Republican Party.” Her parents still aren’t speaking to me.



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

“He had delusions of adequacy.” – Walter Kerr

“He is not only dull himself; he is the cause of dullness in others.” –Sam Johnson

“He is simply a shiver looking for a spine to run up.” – Paul Keating

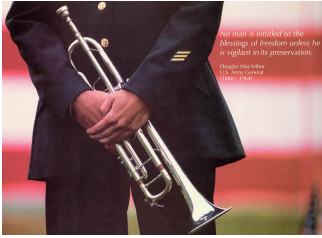
“He has Van Gogh’s ear for music.” – Billy Wilder

“I’ve had a perfectly wonderful evening. But this wasn’t it.” – Groucho Marx

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!

ANSWERS TO THE D-DAY QUIZ

- 1. False. The North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) was not formed until 1949. Most of the troops participating were Americans, British & Canadians.**
- 2. False. The allies began to retake Europe by invading Italy in 1943.**
- 3. D-day is the term for a secret or undetermined date when a military operation is to begin. The codes "H-hour" and D-day" were first used during World War I.**
- 4. The D-Day Museum, America's national WW II museum, opened on June 6, 2000 in New Orleans.**

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. Dues are \$20 per year. 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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