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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

“The only limit to our realization of tomorrow will be our doubts of today”

Franklin D. Roosevelt

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THE COMMANDER'S COMMENTS

I want to thank everyone who attended our Brunch on Sunday, September 16th at the Crystal Lake Diner in Westmont, NJ . The turn out was strong and everyone had a good time and good food.

Once again, we are sad to announce that one of our older members, Art Jones, passed away the beginning of September. Several of our members were able to attend his viewing on September 6, 2012.

One of our oldest members, John Parvin, will be our guest speaker at our October 5th meeting. He is a WWII Vet and a member of the Army National Guard. He will be telling us of his experiences in the War and after.

I am still working on getting someone from Tri-Care-For-Life and Dental to be our guest speaker at our November 7th meeting. I will be making a trip up to Ft. Dix on September 26th and will have more info for you in the next newsletter.

Letters for the Ad Books for the “Dining Out” are now available. You can contact one of us at the meetings or e-mail me at thepowells@ourarea.org.

Five Healthy Proverbs

1. Age is a very high price to pay for maturity.
2. Going to church doesn't make you a Christian any more than going to a garage makes you a mechanic.
3. Not one shred of evidence supports the notion that life is serious.
4. It is easier to get forgiveness than permission.
5. If you look like your passport picture, you probably need the trip.

The Frying Pan

A man was sitting quietly reading his paper one morning, peacefully enjoying himself, when his wife sneaks up behind him and whacks him on the back of his head with a huge frying pan.

Man: “What was that for?”

Wife: “What was that piece of paper in your pants pocket with the name Marylou written on it?”

Man: “Oh honey, remember two weeks ago when I went to the horse races? Marylou was the name of one of the horses I bet on.”

The wife looked all satisfied, apologizes, and goes off to do work around the house.

Three days later he is once again sitting in his chair reading and she repeats the frying pan swatting.

Man: “What was that for this time?”

Wife: “Your horse just phoned.”

Humor in Uniform

A Private stood before his commanding officer for a recent offense. "It's your choice, private," the officer said. "One month's restriction or 20 days' pay." I'll take the money, sir."

Everything I need to know I learned in Kindergarten

These are the things I learned:

Share everything.

Play fair.

Don't hit people.

Put things back where you found them.

Clean up your own mess.

Don't take things that aren't yours.

Say you're sorry when you hurt somebody.

Wash your hands before you eat.

Flush.

Warm cookies and cold milk are good for you.

Take a nap every afternoon.

When you go out watch for traffic, hold hands and stick together.

Blonde Moments

One hot summer day, a blonde came to town with her dog, tied it under the shade of a tree, and headed into a restaurant for something cool to drink. Twenty minutes later, a policeman entered the restaurant and asked, "Who owns the dog tied under that tree outside?" The blonde said it was hers.

"Your dog seems to be in heat," the officer said. The blonde replied, "No way. She's cool 'cause she's tied up under that shade tree." The policeman said, "No! You don't understand. Your dog needs to be bred." "No way," said the blonde. "My dog doesn't need bread. She isn't hungry 'cause I fed her this morning." The exasperated policeman said, "NO! You don't understand. Your dog wants to have sex!"

The blonde looked up at the cop and said, "Well, go ahead. I always wanted a police dog."

How Much Do You Remember

(Answer's at the end of the newsletter)

1. What newspaper does Lou Grant work for?
2. Who said: "Old soldiers never die, they just fade away?"
3. What class of ship was the *Caine*?
4. What's the most common atom in the universe?
5. Who was the first black major league baseball manager?

Summary of the 5 September 2012 Meeting

The meeting was called to order by the Adjutant at 1930 hours followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation. Roll call showed all officers present and Sick call no one was reported ill. It was announced that Art Jones passed away and the viewing would be held at Bradley's.

Nick Marino of A Battery was recognized at our meeting.

Motion was passed and approved to accept the minutes of the August meeting.

Financial report showed a balance of \$3,935.57 in the Association's bank account and the report was accepted.

No date was given for the ROTC Unit to visit our museum.

A bus trip on Monday, October 29, 2012 is available to the National Constitution Center followed by lunch on board the Moshulu which will be having a murder mystery show then off to a three-hour visit to the Sugar House Casino with \$15 of slot pay. Buses leave from Audubon, NJ at 9:00 am – home 6:30 pm. Price is \$95 per person. Any one interested should be contacting SCUCS at 856-456-1121 if seats available. You must make your own arrangements.

Gun Club will meet at Ft. Dix Range #14 on September the 8th at 9:00 am. You don't need a weapon to attend.

Brunch will be at Crystal Lake Diner on Cuthbert Road in Westmont, NJ on Sunday, September 16, 2012 in honor of Patriot's Day.

Guest speaker for October 5, 2012 meeting will be our member John Parvin.

Letters for Ad Book for Dining Out are available. This will help with the cost.

Reminder for elections coming up for EX, Finance and Logistical Officers. Chairman for the elections committee is Warren Strumpfer. Any member interested in running should contact Warren.

All meetings starting with the October 5th meeting will start at 7:00pm.

Any member wanting to nominate anyone for an award should contact the EX Richard Tomasso.

It was announced by the Commander that he took a trip to Lakehurst, NJ on August 15, 2012 with 1/114th INF Reg. It was a very interesting trip and inquired if anyone in our unit would be interested in taking this trip. If any member is interested, we would plan this at a future meeting.

Retiree Day at Ft. Dix is on September 29, 2012 starting at 0800 hours. There will be booths set up to answer any questions that you may have. Also on the same date, there will be a stand down at the Cherry Hill Armory. Any member interested may attend either one.

Bids for a new roof for the Armory is in the works.

The Logistical Officer, Marc Kantor, is updating all members' e-mail addresses making sure everyone is receiving the Powder Bag. If anyone has had any changes with their e-mails or have moved, please forward your new information to Marc on the website to update any changes or drop us a line in the mail.

Col(Ret) Radice made a statement of availability of books in our museum and any member interested are welcome to borrow one to read at any time.

Warren Strumpfer wanted an update on number of membership in our unit.

The meeting was adjourned at 2032 followed by refreshments.

Funny Things Said in Court

ATTORNEY: Are you sexually active.

WITNESS: No, I just lie there.

ATTORNEY: What is your date of birth?

WITNESS: July 18th

ATTORNEY: What year?

WITNESS: Every year.

ATTORNEY: Now doctor, isn't it true that when a person dies in his sleep, he doesn't know about it until the next morning?

WITNESS: Did you actually pass the bar exam?

ATTORNEY: She had three children, right?

WITNESS: Yes.

ATTORNEY: How many were boys?

WITNESS: None.

ATTORNEY: Were there any girls?

WITNESS: Your Honor, I think I need a different attorney. Can I get a new attorney?

ATTORNEY: How was your first marriage terminated?

WITNESS: By death.

ATTORNEY: And by whose death was it terminated?

WITNESS: Take a guess.

ATTORNEY: Can you describe the individual?

WITNESS: He was about medium height and had a beard.

ATTORNEY: Was this a male or female?

WITNESS: Unless the Circus was in town, I'm going with male.

ATTORNEY: Doctor, how many of your autopsies have you performed on dead people?
WITNESS: All of them. The live ones put up too much of a fight.

ATTORNEY: Do you recall the time that you examined the body?

WITNESS: The autopsy started around 8:30 PM.

ATTORNEY: And Mr. Denton was dead at the time?

WITNESS: If not, he was by the time I finished.



FAMILY SUPPORT REMINDER

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 also appropriate to remember the families they left behind.

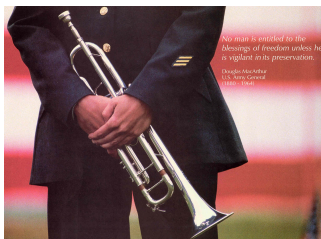
NEVER FORGET THAT

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

“No one should pass an American in uniform without saying, “Thank you, we are grateful.” Always mindful that they are prepared to risk all of their dreams so that all of us can reach ours.”

Former Secretary of Defense William Cohen

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 Quiz

1. The Los Angeles Tribune
2. General Douglas MacArthur
3. Minesweeper
4. Hydrogen
5. Frank Robinson

REQUEST 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

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:

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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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