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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

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COMMANDERS COMMENTS

Ed McCarty, Commander-CLAA

Our annual Dining Out and Artillery Reunion was conducted on April 14th at the Tavistock Country Club. The accommodations were excellent and everyone had a great time. This year we had some additional entertainment and our usual award ceremonies. Ken Robertson received the Honorable Order of Saint Barbara, presented by MG Steven Ferrari and supported by the Camden Light Artillery Association staff. Ken was recommended for the award by long time friend Jim Conley. Also honored and recognized were Bernie Lorenz, Barbara Rouh and Ronnie Powell, for their continuing support and efforts on the clubs' behalf. Recognition was given to Matt Carroll and Scott Szymanski, of the 9th Infantry Division, for their static military display and to Vic Rubino as DJ and singer.

Appreciation was also given to Lum Harris, Arlene Baker, Bill Baker and the staff of the 114th Infantry Association for their excellent support in the past year. Vietnam veteran Santiago Marti, was recognized for his service by his son Santi. Scott Zagata was recognized for his Navy service during Vietnam by Richard Tomasso. Our special honored guests: Bill, Maryanne and Robert Groff, could not attend, due to illness.

The highlight of the evening was our celebration for LTC(Ret) John 'Jake' Parvin on the occasion of his 100th birthday. Chet Malik presented Jake a plaque in recognition from 1st NJ Congressional District Congressman Donald Norcross and a presidential medal. Jake gave a speech in which we saw why he has been our leader for such a long time; what a powerful man.

Please come again next year to enjoy, with your friends, a joyful night of dinner and brotherhood with your former military buddies, families and new friends. All are welcome. If you have a special recognition in mind, please let us know, thank you.
Please enjoy your 2018 with us and bring your friends.

See you at the April meeting; Wednesday, 2 May 2018 at the Cherry Hill Armory at 7:00pm.

Yours in Brotherhood.

SUMMARY OF THE 7 MARCH 2018 MEETING

Sydney Silverman, Adjutant

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM.

The Pledge of Allegiance and invocation were offered by our Commanding Officer, Ed McCarty.

ROLL CALL OF OFFICERS

All present or accounted. A quorum of members were present so the meeting could proceed.

SICK CALL

Bill Groff and Ginny Scioli. We wish them a speedy and complete recovery.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Previous meeting minutes approved.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Available from the finance officer.

Dues are starting to come in and are payable in January 2018. A complete report is available from the finance officer, Marc Kantor.

ATTENDEES

Guests: George Ulmer, a ‘Huey helicopter pilot and a veteran of the Tet offensive; and Eugene Komraus, a veterans of Korea and Vietnam were brought to the meeting by Tom Monahan. The guests were presented with their Vietnam commemorative pins. Santiago Marti did an 18 month tour in Vietnam starting at the age of 17 years.

NEW BUSINESS

March 29 is Nation Vietnam Commemoration Day. See above recognition of member and guest pinning.

The commanding officer indicates that the dining out is April 14 and is open to family and friends. The ad book went to the printer today. Everything is in place for the dining out. The mementos have been selected; the new banner and centerpieces are done and the ad book is fully subscribed. A trip for May or June to Philadelphia to the Revolutionary War Museum is being planned. The 1-112FA can traces its history back to that time.

The 112FA Sports Club will meet April 28 at the Range14 at Ft Dix.

May 19 is Armed Forces Day. We will celebrate at Prospectors on May 20 for Brunch.

The Air Show is coming back to McGuire Air Base on May 5-6.

OLD BUSINESS

Update on the building. It is 99% that we won't get our club room back. The state mismanaged the renovations at the Armory. The work will take another year, maybe. No funds are available for the supply rooms and motor pool building. The new HVAC system and the new boilers are on line. As we move into Spring, we'll see if they work. The big problem now is window replacement because of the fact that they were insulated with asbestos. The start date and finish dates are in question.

STAFF REPORTS

None

COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR

A motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting. The meeting concluded at 20:10 hrs.

SUMMARY OF THE 4 APRIL 2018 MEETING

Sydney Silverman, Adjutant

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM.

The Pledge of Allegiance and invocation were offered by our Commanding Officer, **Ed McCarty**.

ROLL CALL OF OFFICERS

All present or accounted. A quorum of members were present so the meeting could proceed.

SICK CALL

Lou Bovino reported that **Bob Constantine** has been in and out of the hospital with heart failure and COPD. He is home and recovering.

Ken Robertson had surgery and is recovering at home.

Bill Groff is still dealing with his illness, but will try to attend the Dining Out.

Ed Dion had cervical spine surgery and is doing OK and will be attending the Dining Out.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Previous meeting minutes approved.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Available from the finance officer.

Dues continue to come in and were payable in January 2018. A complete report is available from the finance officer, **Marc Kantor**.

ATTENDEES

There were no new or guest attendees present.

NEW BUSINESS

The World War II weekend will be held at the Reading, PA airport on June 1-3.

Ed Powell announced that on April 15, the Red Bank battlefield has an event from noon until 4 PM admission is free. The Army and Navy league is in the area and is a good location for lunch or dinner.

OLD BUSINESS

Membership drive meeting: **Warren Strumpfer**, Chairman of the committee, reported that the membership list and dining out list for the last three years have been reviewed as well as meeting attendance lists to look for patterns and member recruitment and retention.

The 112FA Sports Club will meet April 28 at the Range14 at Ft Dix.

May 19 is Armed Forces Day. We will celebrate at Prospectors on May 20 for Brunch.

A trip in June is being planned to go to the Museum of the American Revolution at 3rd and Chestnut in Philadelphia. The meeting was ended at 2027 hours followed by the 50-50 drawing and door prize drawing. Refreshments were then served.

BENJAMIN FRANKLIN QUOTE

Al DeMasi, Franklin Historian



“Here comes the orator, with his flood of words and his drop of reason.”

2018 DINING OUT AND ARTILLERY REUNION























A SOLDIER RETURNS TO TEMPLE UNIVERSITY
50 YEARS LATER

Brian Wright O'Connor
Camden Courier Post April 17, 2018



My father left a teaching post at Temple University over 50 years ago on a journey to the jungles of Vietnam. He made his return, in spirit at least, over Easter weekend, when the Army ROTC classroom was named in his honor.

Mortimer L. O'Connor, a West Pointer and an Army brat, taught military science to Temple cadets from 1963 to 1966 in the ROTC center in an old row house off Broad Street while commuting from South Jersey. In addition to the classroom hours, he spent happy weeks with his charges during summer maneuvers at Fort Indiantown Gap, a garrison in western Pennsylvania dating to the French and Indian War.

The naming ceremony took place on Good Friday, two days before the 50th anniversary of Mort's death on April 1, 1968. A lieutenant colonel in command of the 1st Battalion, 2nd Infantry of the 1st Division, he was killed during a search-and-destroy mission in the Iron Triangle north of Saigon – one of six former members of the Temple ROTC "Red Diamond Battalion" to die in the war. Mort left behind a wife and six kids, and bonds with Temple that endure beyond the grave.

The family ties became even closer at the unveiling. When the draping was pulled away from the Ritter Hall classroom door, it revealed not just my father's name but that of his son, **SGM Brendan W. O'Connor**, a Special Forces veteran who won the Distinguished Service Cross – second only to the Medal of Honor – for crawling through Taliban machine-gun fire to rescue trapped comrades in Afghanistan.

Brendan has always carried a strong resemblance to our father. But never more so than after the unveiling, when he gathered the ROTC cadet cadre in attendance to quietly set forth their solemn duty to honor their uniform, cherish their comrades and love their country.

He also spoke movingly of the quieter heroism of those left behind, like our mother, who had to raise a brawling Irish platoon on her own during an era when single mothers in suburbia were a rare species – and war widows even rarer.

Elizabeth Wright O'Connor – “My darling Betsy,” Mort called her – ran the household while helping to edit and type Mort’s graduate school papers as he studied at Penn for a Ph.D. in English during the Temple years. We lived back then in Willingboro, with the Rancocas Creek running through the woods behind our house and a neighborhood full of kids.

Brendan’s invocation triggered a memory of Betsy sitting on the couch, face flushed, telling us that Mort would not be coming home. The men who had come to the door were too late, she said. She already knew. While vacuuming in the living room, she’d heard a single shot and knew whose heart had shattered. Decades later, our family inscribed lines from a Robert Hayden poem on the West Point tombstone she shares with Mort: “What did I know, what did I know/of love’s austere and lonely offices?”

How could any child fully understand a parent’s sacrifice or anyone who’s never served the bonds between those in uniform? I think of the Temple cadets in their Army fatigues, preparing for war halfway around the world, in the hardwood forest of Pennsylvania, listening intently as my father plotted approaches to an occupied hamlet. For a 9-year-old, tagging along on the maneuvers was better than playing Army – it was the Army. He asked me to pick out the cadet camouflaged in the brush, but I saw no one until a smile revealed a friendly face. I crawled upside down on a rope suspended over a ravine, following the cadets, until Mort’s commander spotted the pipsqueak recruit and put an end to the misadventure.

For a moment there, I was one of them, an ROTC Owl, launching mortars, riding jeeps, a member of the corps so beloved by my dad.

As a further memorial to Mort, “Task Force Philly,” the Fort Dix spring field exercises for Philadelphia-area ROTC cadets, has been renamed “Task Force O’Connor”. Among others, it draws students from three schools with ties to my family – Temple, Penn and Valley Forge Military Academy, my brother Brendan’s alma mater.

Those like CPT(Ret) Marc Kantor, who actually was a Temple cadet, never forgot what they took away from Mort’s lessons in military history and warcraft. Lt. Col. Keith W. Benedict, head of the Temple Army ROTC unit, worked with Marc and the university’s leaders to christen the “O’Connor Classroom” and bring our family to the campus along with many of Mort’s West Point classmates and former students.

The day was rainy and the ceremony textured by Benedict's moving tribute – shadowed by the ghosts of his own combat experience in Afghanistan and Iraq.

His breaking voice and flush of grief made me think again of that headstone and the words of Rudyard Kipling, taken to heart by Temple, inscribed beneath my father's name:
Then it's "Tommy this, an' Tommy that, an' Tommy 'ow's yer soul?"
O it's "Thin red line of 'eroes," when the drums begin to roll.

Brian Wright O'Connor, a Moorestown High School graduate, is a communications executive in Boston.

AAFES Online TO BE AVAILABLE TO ALL VETERANS

On Veterans Day, 11 November 2017, all veterans were encouraged to confirm veteran eligibility status at <https://www.vetverify.org>. This might be a multi-step process if the Defense Manpower Data Center lacks information to verify that a veteran served and received an honorable discharge. All veteran records are not currently in this system, but will be by the announced start date. Go to the website and enter the required information to see if you are eligible to use this new system.

For additional information, visit the following website:

<http://www.militarytimes.com/articles/your-questions-answered-about-the-new-veterans-online-shopping-benefit>

SOMETHING TO PONDER

“A society that puts equality before freedom will get neither. A society that puts freedom before equality will get a high degree of both.”

Milton Friedman



112FA SPORTS CLUB

Ed McCarty, Chairman

The 112FA Sports Club meets at Range 14 (<http://www.range-14.com/>) at Ft Dix, NJ throughout the year. Outings and events will be posted on our web site and sent to the membership via email. Watch your emails and the web site for additional Outings. Next trip to Range 14 at Ft Dix will be Saturday, 28 April 2018.

112FA PHYSICAL FITNESS and HEALTHY LIVING

Brian Strecker, Chairman

EXERCISE AND DIET

TAKE THE STAIRS

To get more exercise into your day, take the stairs over the elevator whenever you can. Stair-climbing is a vigorous physical activity that increases muscle mass, improves cardiovascular fitness, and helps reduce blood pressure.

GUAVA'S AMAZING BENEFITS



If pineapple is known as the king of fruits, guava is considered the queen. Guavas are one of the richest sources of vitamin C. Guavas contain 4 times the vitamin C present in oranges. Guava is also one of the richest sources of dietary fiber. Guava also helps in regulating metabolism, which leads to weight loss. The potassium in guavas helps regulate blood pressure levels, in fact, a banana and a guava contain almost the same amount of potassium. Guava, especially raw guava, has far less sugar compared to apples, oranges, grapes and other fruits.

THE 6 TYPES OF LIEUTENANTS THAT YOU JUST CAN'T AVOID IN THE MILITARY

Stephanie Russell-Kraft- [Task & Purpose](#)

Lieutenants never get much respect. What do you expect, though? You send a 22-year-old new college grad to officer candidate school for a few weeks and expect him to be in charge of a platoon of grizzled combat veterans... What could possibly go wrong? It's the brain-damaged leading the blind. Every rank has some major archetypes, and lieutenants are no different. Here are six types you're probably already familiar with.

1. LT Clueless

The conventional view is that ALL lieutenants are clueless, but that can't really be the case, or else the service would be even more screwed than it already is. All LTs take a while to get up to speed, but LT Clueless seems to be coming *more* undone every day, not less.

He's smart enough to graduate college in basket weaving, phys ed, criminal justice, or some similar bullshit degree, but not smart enough to keep track of his own rifle. The upside of that is that stealing his firing pin will be easier.

Everyone under Clueless is counting the hours until the company commander finally figures out that one of his platoon commanders spends his free time chewing crayons. They just hope it comes before deployment, when some of them might have to patrol with him.

2. LT Tacticool

One of the best things about the military is that it lets you play with cool toys. Don't tell LT Tacticool that the gear he's issued is really all he needs, because that's not the point. The point is to be just a little better equipped than anyone else. He spends his entire paycheck shopping online for the same gear used by Delta Force. LT Tacticool works in admin or in logistics or as a pilot. That doesn't stop him from needing dumbass items like a drop holster that can't be worn on a walk longer than 100 meters but looks absolutely badass.

If the gun doesn't work, though, he's got three concealed punch knives as backup. Don't worry. He'll make up for all the extra weight with \$200 custom gel boot inserts.

That isn't to say that there aren't Tacticools in the infantry, but the laughter of their fellow lieutenants usually shames them into relative normalcy before too many enlisted grunts join in on the ribbing. These LTs live in closeted gear-queerness, wasting their paychecks in more subtle ways, like snatching up \$1,000 GPS altimeter watches.

3. LT Beast

The Beast, on the other hand, does reside disproportionately in the combat arms. It's just as well, because if he was in logistics, all his troops would be hiding under their desks by the end of the day. Everyone else groans when a unit hump is announced. The Beast adds extra weight to his pack. He says "If it ain't rainin', we ain't trainin'!" unironically.

The Beast honestly can't figure why others don't enjoy it when things suck. He thinks "embrace the suck" is a religion, not a sarcastic comment. He's into Crossfit, because of course he is. He's

also signed up for Tough Mudder, Spartan Race, and some obscure event involving dragging one's testicles through broken glass for 26.2 miles in the Sierra Nevadas.

The Beast is absolutely the perfect individual to have around in the middle of a close-quarters battle. Unfortunately, he's also the last individual you want anywhere that isn't in the middle of an active firefight.

4. LT Nerd

LT Nerd is, on paper, the perfect military officer. He went to a good school and was near the top of his class in all of his training. He's read the Professional Military Education reading list through colonel. He's working on his master's degree. He's even starting a new podcast next week, called Tactics Talk, so he can share his hard-earned wisdom with upwards of half a dozen people. He is doing great, at least in his own mind. Unfortunately, the military is basically high school. The jocks run the school. Even though he has bars on his collar, the nerd gets no respect.

5. LT Mustang

The prior-enlisted officer or "mustang" is definitely a little different than the typical lieutenant, not least because he's nearly a decade years older than most of his peers. He has a few more tattoos than them, too.

Knowing the ropes is his superpower. PT, usually not so much. He's gained a few pounds and lost a few steps compared to his new young friends in the officer corps.

Most of the enlisted think it's great that their lieutenant was once one of them. The platoon sergeant isn't necessarily so thrilled. He's pleased to get a lieutenant that he doesn't need to hide sharp objects from. On the other hand, he can't get rid of his lieutenant for a whole day by asking him to pick up a box of grid squares.

6. LT Niedermeyer

Military life naturally attracts those with attention to detail and a desire for order. Unfortunately, there can always be too much of a good thing.

You can generally find LT Niedermeyer in the parking lot, trolling for salutes — or, rather, for those missing salutes — so he can joyfully berate them. Of course, a true Niedermeyer counsels like a drill instructor — loudly, yet sans profanity, because profanity would be contrary to regulations. Doggone it, devildog!

The good thing about Niedermeyer is that he always follows the rules. The bad thing about Niedermeyer is that he always follows the rules. The worst thing is that if you want to know who your commanding general will be in 20 years or so, look no further, because Niedermeyer is going places.

RESOURCES

New Jersey Department of Veterans Affairs

<http://www.nj.gov/military/veterans/>
(see Veterans Benefits Guide)

New Jersey Veteran Service Offices by County

<http://www.nj.gov/military/veterans/state-service-offices/>

New Jersey Division of Taxation - Veteran Exemption

<http://www.state.nj.us/treasury/taxation/military/vetexemption.shtml>

2018 Disability Compensation rates

<https://www.military.com/benefits/veterans-health-care/va-disability-compensation-rates.html>

New Jersey State Veterans Benefits

<https://www.military.com/benefits/veteran-state-benefits/new-jersey-state-veterans-benefits.html>

Pennsylvania State Veterans Benefits

<https://www.military.com/benefits/veteran-state-benefits/pennsylvania-state-veterans-benefits.html>

Concealed Carry Information in America by State

<http://www.springfield-armory.com/resources/concealed-carry-infographic/>

M-19 GRENADE LAUNCHER

The MK-19 is an air-cooled, blowback operated, belt-fed machine gun that is fed by a disintegrating metallic-link belt. It fires 40 mm grenade cartridges. It fires 40 mm grenades at a cyclic rate of 325 to 375 rounds per minute, giving a practical rate of fire of 60 rounds per minute (rapid) and 40 rounds per minute (sustained)



NEVER TO BE FORGOTTEN

Announcer: Faster than a speeding bullet! More powerful than a locomotive! Able to leap tall buildings in a single bound!

Voices: Look, up in the sky! It's a bird! It's a plane! It's SUPERMAN!

Announcer: Yes, it's SUPERMAN, strange visitor from another planet, who came to Earth with powers and abilities far beyond those of mortal men. Superman, who can change the course of mighty rivers, bend steel in his bare hands, and who, disguised as Clark Kent, mild-mannered reporter for a great metropolitan newspaper, fights a never-ending battle for truth, justice and the AMERICAN WAY.



WHY WE MISS RODNEY DANGERFIELD

(136-142)

I'm not a sexy guy. I went to a hooker. I dropped my pants. She dropped her price.

I tell you, I'm not a sexy guy. I was the centerfold for Playgirl magazine. The staples covered everything!

I told my dentist my teeth are going yellow. He told me to wear a brown necktie.

When I was born the doctor took one look at my face, turned me over and said, "Look, twins!"

I knew a girl so ugly, I took her to the top of the Empire State building and planes started to attack her.

My wife had her driver's license test the other day. She got 8 out of 10. The other 2 guys jumped clear.

I'm a bad lover. Once I caught a peeping tom booing me.

JUST SOME OF REASONS WE MISS RODNEY DANGERFIELD **MORE NEXT MONTH**



DISABLED VETERAN, PURPLE HEART RECIPIENT PLACARDS

<http://www.state.nj.us/mvc/Vehicle/disvet.htm>

To receive such a placard, applicants must submit **BOTH** of the following:

1. Proof of disabled veteran or Purple Heart recipient status (DD-214, DD-215, award of disability letter, citation awarding Purple Heart, etc.)
2. An application (MVC form BA-49) This can only be obtained at an MVC agency.

Application is available at any MVC agency, by mail, or by calling (609) 292-6500.



2018 MONTHLY MEETING DATES

**All Meetings are held at the
Cherry Hill Armory
2001 Park Boulevard
Cherry Hill, NJ
7:00pm**

Wednesday, 2 May 2018 Monthly Meeting

Wednesday, 6 June 2018 Monthly Meeting

No July Meeting

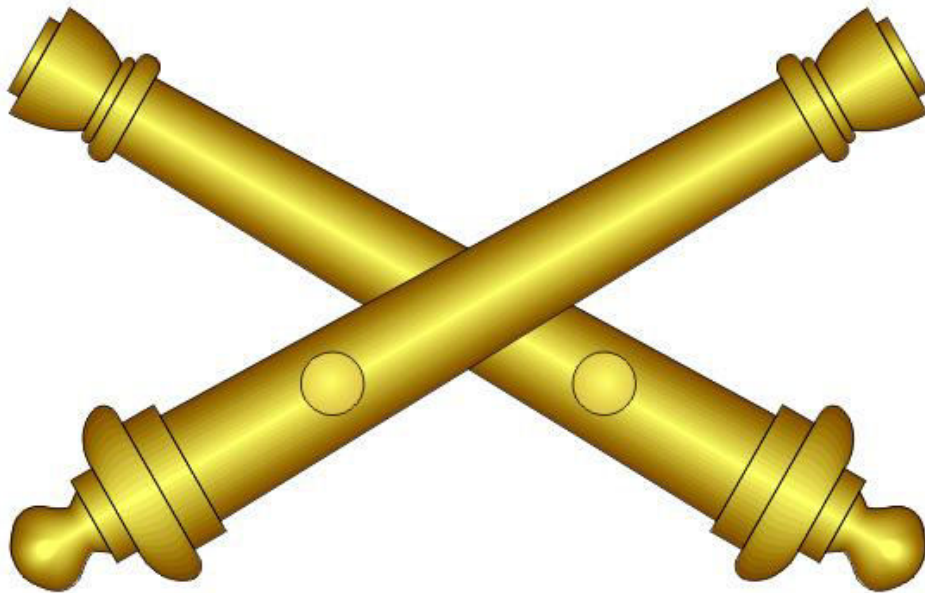
Wednesday, 1 August 2018 Monthly Meeting

Wednesday, 5 September 2018 Monthly Meeting

Wednesday, 3 October 2018 Monthly Meeting

Wednesday, 7 November 2018 Monthly Meeting

Wednesday, 5 December 2018 Christmas Party/Dinner - 6:00pm



RETIREMENT BENEFITS

<http://www.military.com/benefits/veteran-state-benefits/new-jersey-state-veterans-benefits.html>

The online information contained at this site can be very important to the membership. Please visit the link above and review your options. You may wish to subscribe to the "military.com" web site. It always has interesting and current information on the country and all branches of the military.

TRICARE

TRICARE is added new services and screenings. Effective Jan.1, 2017, TRICARE will cover annual preventive office visits for all Prime beneficiaries 6 years of age and older. TRICARE Standard beneficiaries can receive preventive services with no cost-share or copayment through disease prevention examinations. Also, the annual well-woman exam will continue to be covered for all Prime and Standard beneficiaries under age 65 with no cost-share or copayment. If you have recently received any of these services, please be sure to save your receipts and file a claim. The regional contractors will be ready to process claims for the new preventive benefits on Nov. 14, 2016. (<http://www.tricare.mil/Resources/Claims>)

TRICARE FOR LIFE

TRICARE For Life (TFL) is a Medicare wraparound coverage for TRICARE beneficiaries who have Medicare Part A and Medicare Part B, regardless of age or place of residence. With TFL, you have the freedom to seek care from any Medicare-participating or nonparticipating provider, or at a military hospital or clinic on a space-available basis. Enrollment is not required, but you must pay Medicare Part B premiums.

TFL is available worldwide, in the U.S. and its territories TFL pays after Medicare, in all other OCONUS areas TFL is the first payer. (<http://www.tricare.mil/tfl>)

HOW TO REQUEST A COPY OF YOUR DD214 or NGB22

The process starts at the National Archives website:

<http://www.archives.gov/veterans/military-service-records/>

Simply follow the directions found on the website for online application or click on the SF 180, complete the 'fillable' Adobe version, sign the document and mail to the appropriate location.

(suggested by Frank Brown)

HOW TO OBTAIN NJ RIBBONS AND AWARDS

<http://www.nj.gov/military/veterans/>

NJ Dept of Military and Veterans Affairs

ATTN: DVS-VBB(Medals)

PO Box 340

Trenton, NJ 08625-0340

For additional information contact:

Telephone: (609) 530-6868/7035

Fax: (609) 530-6970 State of New Jersey



REQUEST YOUR INPUT

We 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 months' publication.

Dues are only \$30 per year and are payable 1 January of each year. Please send your dues to:

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NEW JERSEY VIETNAM VETERAN'S MEMORIAL

**1 Memorial Lane
Holmdel, NJ 07733
(<http://www.njvvmf.org>)**



The New Jersey Vietnam Veterans' Memorial and the Vietnam Era Museum & Educational Center are located within sight of each other near the PNC Bank Arts Center in Holmdel, NJ. The Memorial brings to New Jersey a fitting acknowledgment of the valor displayed by the New Jersey residents who never returned from Southeast Asia. It commemorates the courage shown by all who served in America's armed forces during the years of the Vietnam conflict. Its companion project, the Vietnam Era Museum & Educational Center, provides a means to present factual and unbiased information about the era. Using exhibits, audio/visual presentations, structured programs and guest speakers, visitors are provided with a forum for ongoing discussion and an opportunity to gain a better understanding of America's most divisive period since the Civil War. Supplemental programs, such as veterans' biographies, are intended to recognize and document the contributions made by New Jersey's veterans so that their service to our nation will be preserved for future generations.



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Morristown, NJ

LTC Brian J Stramaglia

Commanding Officer

CSM Paul Horan

BN CSM





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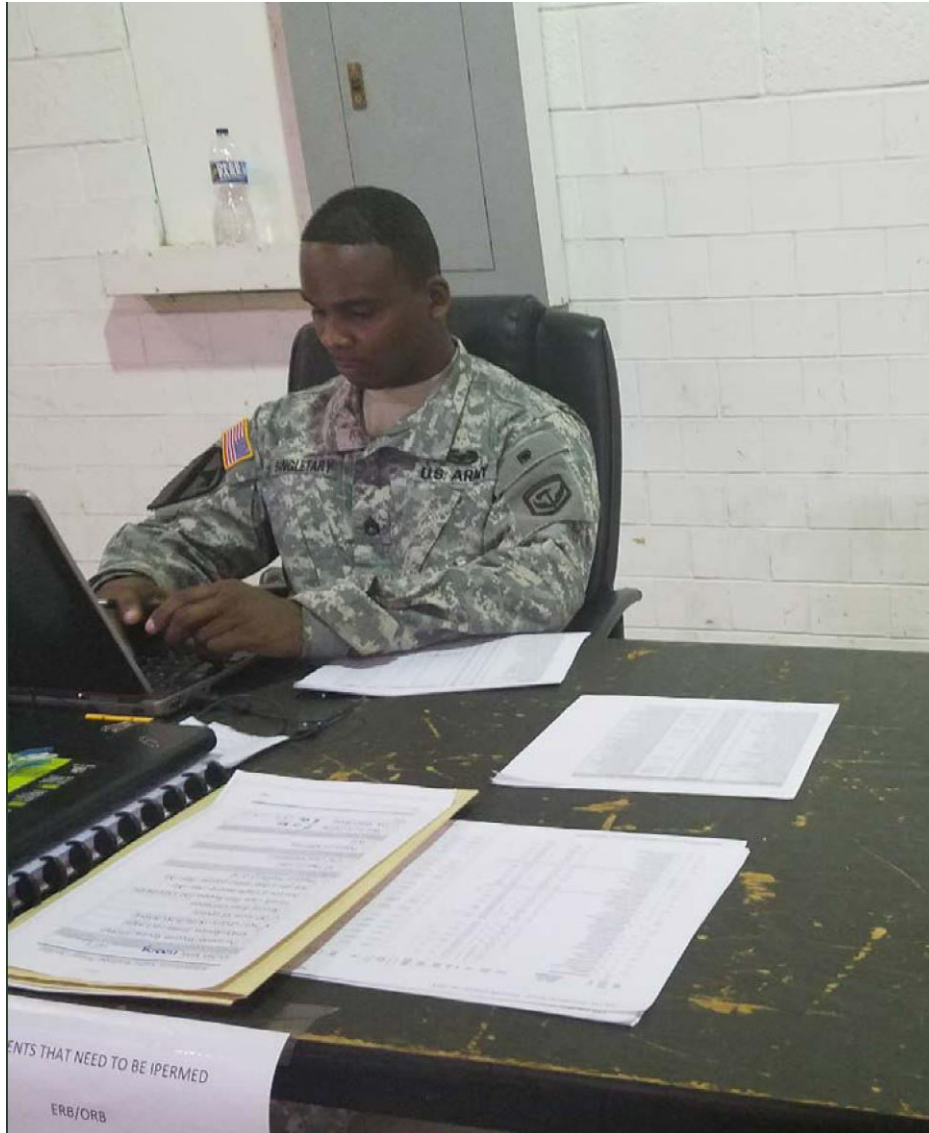
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328 MP COMPANY
Cherry Hill, NJ
CPT Domenico Lazzaro
Commanding Officer



SSGT Harold Singletary



The 1-112FA Camden Light Artillery Association is proud to be a Commemorative Partner. We held our first event earlier this year and are planning future events for the summer and fall seasons. Please watch for the announcements in your emails and on our website.

"The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) conducted hundreds of events in VA facilities across the nation on March 29, 2016 to recognize, honor and thank U.S. Vietnam veterans and their families for their service and sacrifices as part of the national Vietnam War Commemoration. VA, along with more than 9,000 organizations across the country, has joined with the Department of Defense as a Commemorative Partner to help Americans honor our nation's Vietnam veterans. By presidential proclamation issued on May 25, 2012, the Commemoration extends from its inaugural event on Memorial Day 2012 through Veterans Day 2025. To learn more about the Vietnam War Commemoration, visit the U.S.A. Vietnam War Commemoration website."

(<http://www.vietnamwar50th.com/>) by military.com 4 April 2016



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.

WEB SITE

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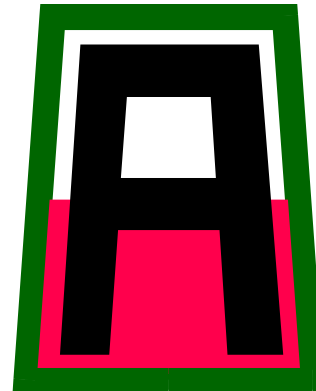
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((courtesy-SPC Gallegos via COL George Bannon(USA Retired))