



Issue 2 and 3

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Time has a way of slipping away from a person if one is not being diligent in insuring that all tasks at hand are being accomplished. And so it was with your Editor Carl. He was engaged in so many activities since the 60th annual reunion in May, he failed to publish Issue 2, 2d quarter *The Trooper*. He could expound at great lengths as to reasons why but the bottom line is that he didn't. So let's not beat a dead horse [or Editor Carl too much].

60th 8th Cavalry Regiment Association Annual Reunion

Canton, Ohio

12 -16 May 2010

The 60th reunion was well attended and is now history. The association reunion this year was joined by a cavalry association named Angry Skippers. The membership of the Angry Skippers consists of the troopers who served in Company D, 2nd Battalion, 8th Regiment, 1st Cavalry Division. The majority of them served in Vietnam during the years 1967, 1968 and 1969. Minutes of the reunion are printed on pages 2, 3, and 4.

Election of directors and officers resulted in an appropriate and most welcomed move toward leadership from our younger generation of troopers. Our Vietnam era troopers enthusiastically stepped forward and accepted nominations to leadership positions. They have already completed nearly all of their plans for the 61st annual reunion. Details will be published at the earliest after completion.

Please keep in mind that *The Trooper* is your newsletter. So keep those cards and letters coming.

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8th CAVALRY REGIMENT ASSOCIATION

2010 Annual Reunion Canton, Ohio ~ May 12-16

60th Annual General Membership Meeting Canton, Ohio - May 1, 2010

President Bennett Guthrie gaveled the meeting to order at 9:05a.

Invocation was given by Carl Moreland.

Pledge of Allegiance was led by President Bennett Guthrie.

Roll call of Directors, Officers and Appointees was called by Secretary Carl Moreland. A quorum was present to conduct the meeting.

Old Business:

Report of the 58th Annual Membership Reunion, Branson, MO.: Report was given by Secretary Carl Moreland and was approved as read.

Paid Up For Life Membership (PUFL). The board of directors, in the best interest of the association, pre-authorized the implementation of the PUFL membership program. It was announced on the association's website and in *The Trooper*. Concurrence of the membership would be requested at the 60th annual membership meeting. Motion was made to approve the PUFL program. Continuation of the PUFL program was unanimously approved by the membership.

General Membership Meetings (GMM): Currently, GMMs can only be conducted during even numbered years. Past experience indicates this proviso to be too restrictive. Exigencies of the association indicates that GMMs should also be held in odd numbered years when deemed necessary by the President or Chairman of the Board. Motion was made to amend the bylaws to allow a GMM every year. Change to the bylaws was unanimously approved by the membership.

Associate members permitted to hold an appointed office. Past experience supports the fact that an insufficient number of members volunteer or accept appointment to a necessary office in the association. But often times a spouse may possess the needed expertise and could therefore successfully fulfill the appointment. The board of directors favorably supports this contention. Appointment of associate members to appointed offices by the president, when appropriate, was unanimously approved by the membership.

New Business:

Financial Report: The financial report given by Secretary Moreland will not be displayed on the website. It will be published in the "hard copy" of *The Trooper* dated 17 July 2010 that has been distributed to each member of the association.

Quartermaster Report: Lawrence “Larry” Hempfling has been appointed to the office of Quartermaster.

Troop Support Program (TSP): This project is currently inactive.

Membership Report: Given by Secretary Moreland. Current active membership is 213 Regular Memberships and 12 Associate Memberships. For years 2006 and 2007: 77 new Regular Memberships were recruited and 20 members became deceased.

Website Report: Given by Director (Webmaster) Reese. Webmaster Reese will assign ... @8th Cavalry.org email addresses to the newly elected operating officials at the earliest. Webmaster Reese informed the membership that he will continue as the webmaster for the next two (2) years. That should give the association sufficient time to obtain a replacement webmaster. Secretary Moreland added that the transfer of the association website had been transferred from the personal account of Webmaster Whitey Reese to the 8th Cavalry Regiment Association.

Father Kapaun Guild: An anonymous donor presented the association with a check in the amount \$1,000.00 payable to the Father Kapaun Guild in the name of the 8th Cavalry Regiment Association. Secretary Moreland and former POW trooper Joe Ramirez presented background information about Chaplain Father Kapaun who was taken prisoner by Chinese forces during the battle of Unsan, North Korea in 1950. Chaplain Father Kapaun is currently being considered for Sainthood by the Catholic Church and award of the Medal of Honor by the Office of the Secretary of the Army. A motion was made that the association match the donation of \$1,000.00 and present it to the Father Kapaun Guild. Donation in the amount of \$1,000.00 was unanimously approved by the membership.

Regular Membership Annual Dues: Given by Secretary Moreland. Article 5. Section 1. of the bylaws is quoted as follows: “*Annual dues shall be recommended by the Board. Dues amounts will be approved, for the succeeding two calendar years, by the Regular Membership at each even numbered year meeting. The membership will be timely notified of the amount in the next newsletter or mailing notice.*” It was the decision of the Board that Regular Membership annual dues should remain at the current rate - \$15.00. Continuation of the \$15.00 yearly dues amount was unanimously approved by the General Membership.

Quorum: The current requirement of the presence of fifteen (15) regular members in good standing in order to conduct a business meeting may be, in actuality, unattainable. Motion was made to amend the bylaws to change the requirement from fifteen (15) to eight (8). Change to amend the bylaws was unanimously approved by the membership.

Election of Board of Directors and Officers:

Election of Directors: The following eight (8) members were on the ballot for election to the office of Director : (5 to be elected): Collins Sr., Robert B.; Duckworth, Jesse W.; Fernandez, Juan; Harris, Tommy H.; Hemp fling, Lawrence “Larry” F.; McNiff, John J.; Sharples, Karl ; and Silva, Manuel (Sonny).

Elected: Elected by majority vote were: Duckworth, Jesse W.; Fernandez, Juan; Harris, Tommy H; Hempfling, Lawrence “Larry” F.; Sharples, Karl ; and Silva, Manuel (Sonny). The Chairman of the Board will be determined by majority vote of the board members.

Election of Officers:

President: Juan Fernandez was nominated from the floor and accepted the nomination. There were no further nominations and the nominations were closed. Juan Fernandez was elected by acclamation..

Vice-President: Michael “Mouse” W. McGhie was nominated from the floor and accepted the nomination. There were no further nominations and the nominations were closed. Michael “Mouse” W. McGhie was elected by acclamation.

Secretary: William “Bill” Krivda was nominated from the floor and accepted the nomination. There were no further nominations and the nominations were closed. William “Bill” Krivda was elected by acclamation..

Treasurer: William “Bill” Krivda was nominated from the floor and accepted the nomination. There were no further nominations and the nominations were closed. William “Bill” Krivda was elected by acclamation..

Reunion Site for the 61th Annual Reunion:

Fort Benning, GA was selected for the 61st Annual reunion site. Reunion sites will be selected each year.

Further New Business:

There being no further business to be brought before the general membership, President Guthrie proceeded to close. Secretary Carl Moreland gave the closing prayer.

60^h General Membership Meeting Closed:

President Bennett Guthrie gaveled the 58th General Membership Meeting closed at 12:15p.

Carl W. Moreland
Secretary

60th 8th Cavalry Regiment Association Annual Reunion

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12 -16 May 2010

(RECAP of EVENTS)

Attendance at the reunion was the highest in several years. There were a total of 74 troopers and their ladies and guests in attendance. 43 were association members and 31 were members of the Angry Skippers. 12 members of the Angry Skippers became members of our association during the reunion.

13 May 2010 - **Canton Classic Car Museum** www.cantonclassiccar.org

The first scheduled tour was at the Canton Classic Car Museum. We were blessed by having the curator of the museum as our guide. She has been an automobile enthusiast since the age of eight and has the “pedigree” of every car in the museum committed to memory.

14 May 2010 - **Warther Museum**, Dover, Ohio www.warthers.com

Carvings and artifacts in this museum have been appraised by the Smithsonian as “Priceless works of art”. “Mooney” Warther was a second grade drop out. He found his first knife at the age of 5 and thus began his carvings. The early carving of his trains were of wood because he was poor. Later, his trains were carved from ivory and ebony. What makes “Mooney’s” carving of his train collection so special is the fact that they were all carved to scale and every part of the carving is a working piece. Pretty amazing for one with only a second grade education.

From a large solid block of wood he carved a large pair of pliers, then carved the handles, then carved those handles into more pliers. He continued this for some 31,000 cuts or until he had created **511pliers, all connected**. He built this into a round carved display wheel where it sits today. The design is such that when all pliers are folded up, they return to a solid block of wood.



15 May 2010 - **First Ladies Library and Museum** www.firstladies.org/

Our ladies toured the First Ladies Library and Museum on Saturday while the men conducted their annual membership meeting. The tour was conducted by costumed docents. The ladies were presented with a special treat that day as Mary Regula (wife of retired U.S. Congressman Ralph Regula), founder of the institution, was present that day. She welcomed our ladies and presented each of them with a free, autographed book. The museum part of the library is the restored Saxon House which was the girl hood home of Ida Saxon who became the wife of President William McKinley.

(continuation Recap of Events)

Robert F. Funkhouser - Was recognized and received a certificate for having attended his 39th 8 Cav Regt reunion. Bob is one of our “Greatest Generation” WWII veterans having served in Troop B, 1942.

Karl W. Sharples - Was Recognized and received a certificate for his tenure in the offices of President and Director. And also for the many years that he represented our association at the 1CDA reunions.

Davis Award -This award was approved by the previous Board of Directors for the purpose of providing recognition for past, present and future Association personnel who have selflessly and significantly performed exceptional supportive service and active productive work contributing to the successes of the Association. With this award program it is hoped that it will also provide some incentive for all current and future members to become actively engaged in the operation to further the Association mission and goals. First year recipients of the award are:

Bruce Davis - U.S. Army (Retired) Pre WWII, WWII, Korea 1936

Carl W. Moreland - U.S. Army (Retired) Korea 1950-1951, Vietnam 1969

Roster of the elected/appointed operating officials of the association:

Officers:

President -Fernandez, JuanTP: 609.601.9660
Vice-President -McGhie, Michael W. “Mouse”TP: 775.972.4210
Secretary/Treasurer-.....Krivda, William *

Appointed:

Chaplain -Vacant
Historian -Silva, Manuel “Sonny”TP: 908.995.2337
Sergeant at Arms -Collins, RobertTP: 216.671.4385
*Secretary/Treasurer (**Pro Tem**) 13July 2010 - Moreland, Carl W..... .TP: 330.478.0620

Directors:

Duckworth, Jesse W..... TP: 214.728.4888
Fernandez, Juan..... TP: 609.601.9660
Harris, Tommy H..... TP: 770.254.0705
Hempfling, Lawrence F. “Larry” (COB).... TP: 314.843.1181
Sharples, Karl W..... TP: 570.443.0889
Silva, Manuel “Sonny”..... TP: 908.995.2337

From The Secretary

Review of the membership stats reveals good news. Since the last report of February, membership in the organization has increased by nineteen (19) members. Six (6) of those members opted for PUFL (Paid Up For Life) Membership. If you have an interest in the PUFL membership option, your attention is invited to our website, page

<http://www.8cavalry.org/whichform.htm> Here you will find the PUFL application form that can be either copied or downloaded to your computer. If you don't have access to a computer, please contact the secretary to obtain the form. Currently, we have forty-six (46) PUFL regular members and seven (7) PUFL associate members.

It is always sad to report on the troopers who have gone on to Fiddler's Green. Since the last report in February, we have been notified of the loss two (2) of our troopers. We welcome more timeliness in receipt of death notice. It is not unusual to receive the notice 1 to 2 years after the fact. The majority information is obtained when the secretary initiates a search for disposition of members who have not been in contact with the association for one or more years. The two (2) troopers most recently reported to have departed are:

- 1) Fenton L. Moore, Troop F, Pre WW2 and WW2, deceased 8 August 2009.
- 2) Vernon M. Moore, Company G, Korea, '50-'51, deceased 19 June 2010.

Maintenance of an up-to-date email roster continues to keep the secretary's shorts in a wad. Thirty percent (30%) of the bulk mailings to those with an email address are "bounced" back. When you receive this letter, please take the time to send an email to secretary@8cavalry.org That's all the secretary needs to update the email roster.

Membership Recap

Year Joined	No	Died	With-Drew	Regular Members	Associate Members
2001	123	43	7	73	
2002	38	9	2	27	1
2003	33	6	2	25	2
2004	27	3		24	
2005	20	5		15	
2006	9			9	1
2007	50	4	2	44	
2008	32	1		31	2
2009	45			45	7
2010	23			23	3
	400	71	13	316	16



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Military Warning Labels

"Aim towards the Enemy."
-Instruction printed on US
Rocket Launcher

"It is generally inadvisable to eject directly
over the area you just bombed."
-U.S. Air Force Manual

If the enemy is in range, so are you."
-Infantry Journal

"Tracers work both ways."
-U.S. Army Ordnance

"Five-second fuses only last three seconds."

"When the pin is pulled, Mr. Grenade is not
our friend."
-U.S. Marine Corps

"Cluster bombing from B-52s is very, very
accurate. The bombs are guaranteed to
always hit the ground."
-U.S.A.F. Ammo Troop

"Try to look unimportant; they may be low on
ammo."
-Infantry Journal

"Any ship can be a minesweeper... once."
-Anonymous