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## The 11th Armored Cavalry's Veterans of Vietnam and Cambodia

### State of the Reunion

1st Quarter 2021

To start; so long to 2020, welcome to 2021, goodbye to a challenging year in many ways and hello to hopefully brighter times.

I have some information on the 2021 reunion in Dallas. The hotel is the Anatole Hilton, 2201 North Stemmons Freeway, Dallas, Texas, 75207.

Reservations can be made by calling 1-800-774-1500 or 1-800-445-8667, or the online booking link <https://book.passkey.com/go/5ce4394f>, using group code VVC. The cutoff date for the hotel and Reunion registration is July 23, 2021. The registration fee this year is \$115.00 per person. The room rate is \$139.00 for standard 1 and 2 bedrooms and for one king bed suites. There are upgraded Tower rooms available if you want to take another step up in accommodations, but the executive lounge has been closed due to corona virus concerns. The official Reunion dates are Aug. 25 – Aug. 29 and we have blocked additional dates to include August 22-24 and August 30- September 1 at the reunion rate for those who want to extend their stay.

Parking over the reunion dates (8/23/21-8/29/21) will be discounted at 50% off the prevailing rate for self-parking. Valet parking is not discounted. If you want to upgrade your stay for the entire time or by the day there is a Bundle of services available for \$25.00 per day that include: \$10 dollars off valet parking, guest room Wi-Fi, health club and JadeWaters pool access. (JadeWaters is a very nice water park on the hotel grounds). Check the hotels website for more details.

There are several choices for transportation from DFW Airport to the hotel, a shared shuttle service for \$30.00 round trip, a non-stop private van for up to 10 people for \$100.00 one way or a limo service for \$59.00

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### What the Hex?

By Aura Hill

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From left, Lane Schultz, his daughter Priscilla and the artist who created the hex sign in Londonderry Township. Photos by Nathan Merkel.



A comfortable blending of new and old on a historic Londonderry Township farm celebrates a Pennsylvania Dutch tradition while honoring work, family and deed in the form of a new hex sign installed on the front of a 200+ year-old barn.

The brownstone barn, owner Lane Schultz says, was built in 1809, a relative newcomer to the 200-acre farm, which was established in Colonial times by a family named Smith.

"A portion of the residence (a handsome restored stone structure where the Schultz family lives) is derived from the 1760s," Schultz said. "The restored barn has been placed on the National Register of Historic Places by the United States Department of Interior.

He said that when they began the restoration of the barn, it had been covered with asbestos shingles, which were

removed. Inside they found the structural integrity maintained by original massive hand-hewn beams.

"We renovated the first floor, which was in not too bad condition, to a rustic livable interior," he said.

A retired geologist, he says he has office space where, though retired, he keeps busy with various projects. It houses numerous samples he has collected over his broad geological travels and the walls display large geological maps, some of which include results of his investigative data.

Other rooms serve as work areas for daughter Priscilla, a registered nurse, whose profession is expanding into the health-coaching field, a play/study area for his granddaughter and a large family gathering room.

Amish-milled lumber added on the exterior glows undercoats of golden-yellow paint, a warm complement to the

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# President's Message

By Pete Walter

## 2020 Hindsight – The Year That Wasn't

The good news – if you are reading this you survived the first year of what appears to be an ongoing war with the COVID-19 pandemic. The bad news is the virus has taken the lives of more than one-half million Americans, some of them were 11th ACVVC members.

Rather than dwell on the COVID-19 pandemic, I will try to cover other items of interest as I'm sure everyone has read and heard more than they ever needed to know about the current pandemic. Let's put 2020 behind us and look forward to a brighter year in 2021!

One year ago, *Thunder Run* featured articles about the scheduled opening of the National Museum of the United States Army; that did not happen. (There is additional info about the museum later in this article.) Also, on the front page was the "State of the Reunion", an update from Frank Church. Due primarily to his herculean efforts and the perseverance of ~160 of our members, the 2020 reunion in Indianapolis did happen. The 2020 reunion was unique, and those who attended will remember it as such for the rest of their lives!

**36th ANNUAL REUNION** - The 2021 reunion is set for Aug 25 through Aug 29 with the annual banquet scheduled for Saturday, Aug 28. The spectacular Hilton Anatole Hotel, located at 2201 North Stemmons Freeway, Dallas, TX, 75207 is the venue for this year's reunion. See VP, Reunion Chairman Frank Church's "State of the Reunion" article for more details.

**2021 CALENDAR** - The 11th ACVVC 2021 calendar has been mailed to all dues-paid members and hopefully you have received your copy and are enjoying it. We have experienced more calls, emails, etc., this year than ever before about "lost" or "undelivered" calendars. We have all heard the stories about the USPS slow down; it appears to have affected the calendar to a significant degree, as we've sent replacement calen-

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dars out only to be contacted afterward and told the original mass-mailed calendar did arrive, weeks later than expected. The worst case was a calendar delivered to Chicago on February 10, ten weeks after being mailed from Lancaster, Pennsylvania, a distance of 700 miles, a speed of 0.4 mph! If you still have not received a 2021 calendar, please notify Allen Hathaway or me and we'll get one out to you ASAP. Despite the delays, you the members of the 11th ACVVC have demonstrated remarkable generosity. We have already received \$80,000 in donations, an average of over \$50 per donor! We had fourteen (14) donors who sent donations of \$500 or more! All the Officers are grateful and thank you for your generosity, but the real thanks come from the children and grandchildren of our Blackhorse family. This year, the 11th ACVVC will have surpassed over \$2,000,000 dollars in scholarships awarded! Thank you all for your incredible generosity!

On a related note, we received thirty (30) calendars returned marked "Moved, No Forwarding Address" or "Attempted, Not Known." This means we had thirty members who did not receive their calendar. Additionally, it costs the 11th ACVVC postage both ways, to deliver the calendar and return it to Membership Chairman Allen Hathaway. In every issue of *Thunder Run*, there is a Moving/Change of Address form. Please use it to ensure uninterrupted delivery of your calendar and *Thunder Run*.

In a previous issue, I asked for suggestions on how we can improve on the calendar and welcomed any criticism on the current version. I received many comments, and I was happy to hear from you. Most of the comments were favorable and supportive, but there were a few that were critical, and enlightening. Many of the

suggestions are not practical, due to added cost and limited space in the calendar. There were some that I will try to incorporate into future editions. For those Troopers submitting photos, please remember that sharply focused, well composed, correctly exposed, color 35mm photos or slides are best. "Instamatic", "Polaroid" or "half-frame" (16mm) slides or prints are not reproducible quality. If you send black & white images, I'll scan them and retain the scans for possible future use, but at the present time we're producing a full color calendar. All photos and slides will be returned.

**11th ACR PLAQUE** - In 2019 VP/Reunion Chairman Frank Church and I were invited on a private "hard hat" tour of the National Museum of the United States Army at Fort Belvoir. The entrance to the museum is a long winding walkway called "The Path of Remembrance". The walls of this pathway were designated as an area where Army units could purchase a plaque to memorialize their unit in perpetuity. The Officers voted to purchase a plaque which has been emplaced on "The Path of Remembrance." Due to COVID-19 restrictions, the museum remains closed, but I found a small photo online that shows our plaque. Go to: <https://armyhistory.org/unit-tributes/>

Scroll down to the three-window panel and click on the window on the left to enlarge. Although the angle is acute, you can see our plaque third from the left. Although this is not a perfect view, hopefully we can all get to see it in the future when the museum is open.

Until then, and for those of you who may not be able to travel to the Washington, D.C./



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mature trees, shrubs and tawny winter grasses that flank the lane leading into the farm.

"I commissioned a creative artist from Royersford, Pa., Jolie Chylack, to develop a hex sign for my restored barn," he said.

"Hex signs are a cultural signature of Pennsylvania representative of the rich Germanic heritage that can be found on historic barns in the eastern part of this state," Chylack, who is also Schultz's goddaughter, said. "While some believe our Pennsylvania Dutch ancestors painted them for good luck, others maintain that they were painted merely for decorative purposes, highlighting the beauty of the surrounding nature."

"I think they also tell stories; they facilitate communication," she said. "They are more than 'just for pretty.'"

Respecting the artist's vision

and talent, Schultz said his only request was that she somehow incorporate the image of a rearing black stallion, reminiscent of his service in the "Black Horse Regiment" in Vietnam.

Chylack managed that request and went further in chronicling aspects of this close family.

"The custom black stallion design flanked in a vibrant red field pays homage to his service with the 11th Armored Cavalry Regiment during the Vietnam war. The gold diamonds represent his successful career as a Ph. D. Geologist, and the gold echinacea blooms pay tribute to the gardening talents of his late wife Sandy, my godmother," she said.

Schultz was beyond pleased with the resulting modern hex piece.

"Hex signs are believed to provide good luck and protection from evil forces according to Pennsylvania German tradition," Schultz said, with a smile. "I'm trusting the hex sign will ward off the COVID pandemic in 2021."

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each way. All can be reserved when you make your hotel via the reservation booking link. They can also be reserved on the hotel's web site or go to the web site at "Yellow Checker Shuttle". I used the shared shuttle when I made a site visit, it is the cheapest but the least "user friendly". I would recommend Uber over the shuttle or a taxi.

This is a very large hotel with two registration desks. One for the Atrium side and one for the Tower side. I have requested that all rooms be on the Tower side since that is where all our functions are planned but I can't guarantee that is where all the rooms will be. Guest rooms are assigned at check-in and the Tower side will be filled first.

Scooters will be made available and must be reserved with the Scooter company. There are two companies to choose from; A to Z Medical Equipment and Supplies (214-349-2869) rent scooters for \$30 a day with a \$50 delivery fee. Hieline Scooter Rentals (855-443-5463) is \$50 a day with no delivery fee. To put that into perspective, if you plan to use the scooter for 4 days and rent with A to Z the cost per day is \$42.50. If you rent with

Hieline the cost is \$50 per day. All scooters can be picked up at the concierge desk.

To address the ever-present Corona virus impact on the Reunion: we are continuing to plan this year's Reunion as scheduled. The hotel is doing extensive and continuous sanitizing of public areas and guest rooms and has recently hosted several groups of 400 or more. These cleaning procedures will be SOP until there is no longer a threat to the safety of guests from COVID-19. With the promise of a vaccine being made available to our age group before the reunion dates there is some expected relief in wearing of masks, social distancing and chances of exposure to infection. At the present the hotel, and all of Dallas, is adhering to a 50% capacity in all bars and restaurants with social distancing and wearing of masks mandatory if not consuming food or beverages. But they are planning to relax these restrictions as more of the population is vaccinated. Bottom line here is with the present restrictions in place you will be required to wear masks in public areas but not in the bunker or banquet if you are having a beer, soda, cocktail or eating. This was

the case in Indy and it all went very well.

Returning to "normal" is going to be gradual and I will be checking with the Anatole Hilton regularly for changes in the virus protocol and will pass all information along to the membership.

With our age group being among the first groups to receive vaccinations for virus protection I am optimistic about a well-attended and successful reunion in Dallas. Some of us may not want to be vaccinated for different reasons, that is your choice, so if you are not concerned about your personal health then please consider the health of your buddies and get protection for their wellbeing before attending this year's reunion. I am sure that none of us would knowingly expose any of our friends to the virus but an asymptomatic person that is not vaccinated could unnecessarily jeopardize all of us. I am very much looking forward to seeing all of you in Dallas.

Be safe, Stay well... Allons  
*Frank Church, Vice President/  
Reunion Chairman*

**The Blackhorse  
Memorial, Fort  
Benning, Georgia**



## The 11th Cavalry Memorial Website

By Allen Hathaway

**T**he 11th Cavalry Memorial is located in Pattons' Park at Fort Benning, Georgia. The memorial is dedicated to the bravery and selfless sacrifice of countless Blackhorse troopers who have served with the 11th Cavalry since the regiment was formed on February 2, 1901.

A new website has been created to honor our fallen Blackhorse troopers. The website is a collaboration between the 11th Armored Cavalry's Veterans of Vietnam and Cambodia (11th ACVVC)

and The Blackhorse Association (BHA). Several individuals provided key assistance in creating the new website including Allen Hathaway, past president of 11th ACVVC, Greg Hallmark, BHA webmaster, and Major Joe Roberts from the Center for Army Analysis at Fort Belvoir.

Much of the information was a result of years of research to identify and account for all casualties in every campaign of the 11th Cavalry. The information was available on the 11th ACVVC website and transferred into the new

website. Allen and Joe created the master database of names and pertinent details of every fallen trooper, including personal biography, unit information, campaign, date and place of casualty, interment location and photos. Greg created the site to house the information and the site is fully searchable and organized by campaign, beginning with the Philippine Insurrection of 1902-1905 through the Iraq War 2004-2005. We will never forget.

Please visit the website at: [www.memorial.blackhorse.org](http://www.memorial.blackhorse.org)

## 'BLACKHORSE TALES' STORIES OF 11th ARMORED CAVALRY TROOPERS AT WAR

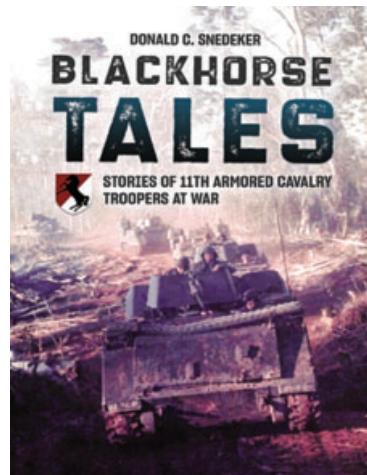
By Donald Snedeker

(Editor's note: Don Snedeker's first book, "The Blackhorse in Vietnam" has sold extremely well and all the reviews I have received have been positive. Don's second book contains more history that most of us have never read – until now.)

Over 25,000 young men served in the 11th Armored Cavalry Regiment during its time in combat in South Vietnam and Cambodia. Their stories – and those of their families – represent the Vietnam generation in graphic, sometimes humorous, often heart-wrenching detail.

Collected by the author through hundreds of in-person, telephone, and electronic interviews over a period of 25-plus years, these "war stories" provide context for the companion volume, The Blackhorse in Vietnam.

The stories transport the reader back to the battlefields of Vietnam, where Blackhorse troopers fought against a savage enemy, primeval jungles, monsoon



rains, and unbearable heat – only to return to a country that no longer cared. The important role played by the families is highlighted, ranging from letters to and from home and "care" packages from "back in The World", to the critical role of the love and understanding from parents, siblings, and spouses during the long post-war integration back into society.

Between the chapters are combat vignettes, one from each year of the Regiment's five and one-half years in Southeast Asia.

These combat narratives remind the reader that the Blackhorse was at war.

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# 11 ACVVC Members Give Record Donations for 2020

By Ollie Pickral, Treasurer

For calendar year 2020, our Treasury received a record number of donations from our membership for our Scholarship Fund. As you are aware, donations come from four sources. Contributions from our calendar, cash donations, annual raffle sales and our silent auction sales. This allows us the give scholarships to the children and grandchildren of our members in the amount of \$3,000 each (One outstanding scholar receives a \$5,000 scholarship).

For 2020, a record number of contributors and donation amounts were received from the calendar alone! 1,683

troopers contributed \$69,905.00.

Also, there was nearly \$1,000 donated to our General Business Account for the year. Contributions to our Scholarship Account came to nearly \$12,000. You gave the Reunion Assistance Account \$835 in donations and the Memorial Fund ended 2020 with donations of over \$5,200.

Because of your donations, it allowed us to award 47 scholarships to our member's children and grandchildren for 2020.

As we start the new year, your calendar donations are pouring in and we hope to exceed last year's amount. Remember,

monetary donations to the Scholarship fund are tax deductible (this excludes raffle sales).

When considering giving to charitable organizations, please place the 11 ACVVC Scholarship Fund at the top of your list. Let's break 2020's record to assure all qualified applicants receive a scholarship in 2021.

We will exceed \$2 million dollars given as scholarships to our membership's children and grandchildren for higher education awards in 2021. Your continued support for our organization's goals show that we were and are

"Together Then – Together Again".

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Fort Belvoir, Virginia area, an image of the plaque is shown here. We can all be proud of the 11th Armored Cavalry Regiment and our service with the Blackhorse in Vietnam and Cambodia. Our children, their children and their children's children will be able to visit the National Museum of the United States Army, and view the plaque honoring your service in the Blackhorse Regiment.

**THUNDER RUN** – As you have undoubtedly noticed, this issue of *Thunder Run* is late getting to you. As your Editor, I accept responsibility for this delay. As some of you may have heard (I'm sure the grapevine still works!), I was hospitalized in early January for planned, minor, orthopedic surgery. While in the hospital, some minor complications were encountered and to be on the safe side, the doctors chose to keep me for almost two weeks. I know the nurses weren't voting to keep me as I was a bit irritable after the first few days. Anyway, all is well now. I'm home, recuperating nicely, though I still cannot walk and likely will not be driving until mid-March. So, I fell behind in my editor's capacity and as a result this issue is late.

**RESIGNATION** – Chaplain Blandin "Bill" Karabinos tendered his resignation effective February 15. I have excerpted some passages from his letter: *"I am proud and privileged that I served some small part of your dynamic leadership. My thanks to you all for your cooperation and*

*support and my wish is that your enthusiasm, loyalty and sense of responsibility to our brother troopers continues well into the future.*

*I have enjoyed working with all of you. I have come to know each of you as unselfish, dedicated and hard-working board members, thinking of no other objective than the welfare of our members and their families. I have often thought, at our meetings or while reading our correspondence, that I need an infusion of red, white and blue blood to let me rise to your level of concern and dedication".*

While I am saddened at Bill's resignation, I respect his actions and am pleased that he will continue to serve as our Chaplain. Bill's annual memorial services at our reunions have become a high point as evinced by the standing room only crowds. We, the 11th ACVVC are lucky to have "Chaplain Bill" as a member and I thank him for his service as a member of the Board Of Directors. As an aside to Bill's current service with the 11th ACVVC, many of you will be surprised to learn that at one time Bill was the last "Commanding Officer" of the Blackhorse Regiment in Vietnam. Ask Bill about it sometime. He will chuckle, and in his inimitable, avuncular fashion relate the story that will make you smile. I am honored and proud to know Bill Karabinos and even more proud to call him my friend. Thank you Bill for everything!

Pursuant to and in accordance with our By Laws, [Article VII, Section 3. Vacancies In Office, (a)], *In the event of a vacancy in any office, or inability or refusal to serve, the office shall be filled pro tem by a majority vote of the remaining Officers.*

Three individuals were nominated: Greg Mason (by Bill Karabinos); Steve Page (by Ollie Pickral); Allen Hathaway (by Mike Rafferty). Allen declined and Steve Page was elected by a 4-3 vote of the extant Officers. Congratulations Steve, we all look forward to working with you!

Please note that this election was for a "pro tem" officer. An election to fill the office for the remaining term from August 29, 2021 through December 31, 2023 will be held at the Members Meeting in Dallas with all dues-paid members eligible to vote and all dues-paid Life Members eligible for office.

**ASSISTANT EDITOR** – As noted previously, I am looking for a Trooper with publishing, editing and writing experience to serve as Assistant Editor. My recent hospitalization resulted in a delay that an assistant may have been able to avoid.

Finally, I hope we all have a better year in 2021! Thank you all for your support and get well wishes. As always, it is an honor to work for you as we were and are:

"Together Then – Together Again!"

Pete Walter, President

# 2021 11th ACVVC Calendar Appeal

By now all dues-paid members of the 11th ACVVC should have received their personal copy of our 2021 calendar. If you have not received a calendar please contact Allen Hathaway (11thcav1966@comcast.net) or me (basepiece70@verizon.net). The 2021 calendar features fourteen color photographs, all submitted by members of the 11th ACVVC. In addition it includes historical information on significant dates in the history of the United States and your Regiment. We have already received many compliments on the 2021 calendar along with many generous donations and we thank you for your continued support!

This full-color calendar is the first of our 2021 Scholarship fundraising efforts. It is yours to keep and enjoy whether you donate or not. We do however, ask for your support with a tax-deductible donation that you can make to assist the children and grandchildren of 11th ACVVC members to begin or continue their post-secondary education. Scholarships can be used for college, trade school, or any other educational training following high school. The Officers of the 11th ACVVC voted two years ago to extend scholarship eligibility to grandchildren of 11th ACVVC members. The Scholarship application is in this issue.

You donated almost \$70,000 to the 2020 calendar appeal; we have awarded a total of approx. \$1,858,000 in scholarships to the children of members of the 11th ACVVC! Every member of this organization can be proud of their service with the legendary Blackhorse Regiment in Vietnam and Cambodia; fifty years later we continue to serve and show our pride by our generous support of the children, and now grandchildren, of our Blackhorse brothers. In 2021 we will almost certainly surpass \$2,000,000 in scholarships awarded!

As of February 2, 2021, we have received donations of \$79,652.57 from 1,560 of our members. This is an incredible average of over \$51 per donor! Three hundred forty-eight (348) of you wrote a check for \$100 or more and this is generosity at its best. Fourteen (14) wrote checks for \$500 or more. Unbelievable! Regardless of how gen-

### 11th ACVVC Calendar



# 2021

**11th Armored Cavalry's Veterans of Vietnam and Cambodia**  
The 11th U.S. Cavalry was formed on February 2, 1901 at Ft. Myer, Virginia. In December it was assigned to duty in the Philippines where, in 1902, the 1st Squadron would earn the first of the Regiment's many battle streamers, "Samar 1902."  
In the Mexican Expedition of 1916-17, the 2nd Squadron engaged Pancho Villa's men on May 5, 1916 at Ojo Azules, Mex. co., killing forty-two enemies in the last mounted cavalry charge in U.S. History.  
The Blackhorse Regiment would see action in World War II where it earned five more battle streamers, but the Regiment's finest performance would be in the Republic of Vietnam and the Kingdom of Cambodia. Blackhorse Troopers served there for 2,340 days and earned eleven battle streamers.  
From December of 2004 to January 22, 2006, the Blackhorse deployed to Iraq earning the Regiment's most recent battle streamer for Operation Iraqi Freedom.  
The 11th Armored Cavalry returned from Iraq in January 2006, and has once again assumed the challenging task of training America's Army in the desert environment of Fort Irwin, California. Although the primary mission is preparing units for deployment to the war in Iraq, our Regiment is simultaneously training intensely to remain the best Regiment in the United States Army! During the recent deployment fighting in "Operation Iraqi Freedom III," the famed Blackhorse Regiment continued to uphold the great legacy established by Troopers who fought the war in Vietnam and Cambodia.

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erous many of our Troopers and their families are, I still urge everyone who does not contribute to consider donating \$10 to the Calendar Scholarship Fund. We will surely top \$80,000 in donations, an all-time record for donations in a single year!

In 2020 we awarded 47 scholarships for a total of \$143,000. To date, the 11th ACVVC has awarded \$1,858,000 in scholarships. This is an incredible achievement for an organization of approximately 7,000 members; even more impressive when realizing that these donations came from ~1,560 of our members. Imagine what we could award if every member donated!

It is imperative that you the members of the 11th ACVVC continue to search through your old photos and submit the best quality photos you can find to be considered for inclusion in future issues. We transitioned to the full-color version three years ago and to continue to

publish a full-color calendar we need a large pool of high quality color photographs. The best photos for reproduction purposes are high quality 35mm prints or slides showing groups of Troopers performing every-day combat missions and chores along with images of the landscape, hamlets and indigenous Vietnamese. If you have the capability of electronically scanning photos at a resolution of 300 or 600 dpi, you can send them to me as attachments to an e-mail. This is the easiest, cheapest, safest and quickest way to submit images. If you choose to mail your images, please send copies and retain your original. Information describing the subject matter, identity of Troopers, date, location, etc., is appreciated. This calendar shows your service, your history...please help me continue to make it a great production that we can all be proud of! Thank you. "ALLONS!"

Pete Walter, President

# First Combat

My third Hunter-Killer mission was memorable. I learned a hard lesson, that never left me. It was a bright, clear day, and I was finally in the regular Hunter-Killer rotation, on the first-string. I was still a little uneasy. My Gun in the Cobra that day was the Cobra Platoon leader, we called him Hero, he and I were still feeling each other out. We were professional towards each other, but did not yet have the close personal relationship which developed later after several close calls. Our mission briefing that day in the Bunker was pretty generic, the key takeaways to me that day from the VR Box Operations briefing were that we were working near Loc Ninh and that Third Squadron had troops on the ground nearby.

We flew at altitude to the VR box. After Hero contacted the ground Troops, I dropped down to tree-top level and began scouting. It was a relatively open area, chest-high elephant grass covered most of the box. There was a lone dirt, ox-cart path which ran North-South through the box.

After about 30 minutes of finding nothing, Hero repositioned me to another area about a kilometer north. In the process of repositioning, I flew low-level along the ox-cart path to the new position. As I crested a small hill, amazingly there in front of us on the dusty path, were three VC on the path, casually strolling in the same direction I was flying - north.

The three were naked to the waist, and had their AK-47s loosely-slung over their shoulders. As we approached them from behind, they turned and saw us, and lurched off the path. They got barely into the edge of the elephant grass and were stopped cold by OSCAR's burst of M-60 in front of them.

They stood up, raised their arms to the sky, and their weapons fell to the ground in front of them. I hovered about 30 feet to their front, and reported over the radio to Hero. He screamed into the radio, "Kill them, kill the bastards now!!" I did not want to kill them, and saw no reason to do it.

**David Porter  
Air Cav Trp, 69-70**

I calmly told Hero that we have prisoners, and were very near Third Squadron. I suggested he call them to get ground troops here now while I covered the VC in place. He disagreed and said it would take too long. Nevertheless, he reluctantly called our ground contact which was only minutes away at the Loc Ninh airstrip, and told them of the capture. The Third Squadron was excited and responded that three armored vehicles would be at our location in ten minutes.

I kept hovering the LOH directly in front of the VC who stood rigidly as before with their hands in the air. The wake from my rotor blade was kicking up dust, their long hair was blowing, and they were leaning slightly into the wake. OSCAR had his M-60 trained on them. I am sure they could see that. I noticed they looked very young.

Suddenly, a brief gust of wind twisted my LOH slightly to the left and for a millisecond we could not see the young VC. During that instant, they recovered their weapons, and standing bolt-upright in the elephant grass, began firing at me.

I instinctively pulled the trigger, the mini-gun roared as I pushed right pedal. That pedal movement swung the gun quickly back to the right, spewing tracers which kicked up dirt all around and behind the VC. The LOH yawed with the mini-gun jolt, but I was prepared and the yaw did not effect the mini's accuracy. The young VC were knocked backwards from the mini-gun rounds driving into them. I could see the red splotches appear on their chests. All three went down almost instantly, as if they had been poleaxed.

Hero was ecstatic, said I had done great work. About that time, Third Squadron armored vehicles arrived. The young VC were unceremoniously dumped in the backs of their APCs, they gave us the victory signal, turned around and headed back to Loc Ninh.

I didn't like what happened at all. I felt physically sick that I had just killed

human beings. I never liked killing anything, and avoided it. At school, guys in the dorm sometimes would spend spring afternoons driving to the South Dakota country-side to hunt gophers along the road. I would occasionally go along, but did not participate in the killing.

In the Operations Bunker at the debrief various people were congratulating me, I didn't feel like I had done anything that deserved congratulations.

My Platoon Leader was there and listened as we talked through the mission. There was lots of back-slapping, and hand-shaking, but I did not feel like celebrating.

After the 20-minute debrief, and we were heading back to the Scout hooch, Hero walked up to me, shook my hand, and pulled me close. He whispered in my ear, "Would have worked better if you had listened to me."

My Platoon Leader walked me back to the hooch. He knew something was wrong, and asked me what it was. I told him pretty directly, "Today I killed three young humans."

He responded quickly, and a little sharply, "Look Porter, we are in the war business. You made a decision today to capture three VC instead of killing them on the spot. It was a good idea, but it didn't work out. You had no choice but to do what you did - it was either you or them."

He got up to leave, and I'll always remember what he said as he walked away into the night, "Remember what General Nathan Bedford Forrest said during the Civil War, "War means fightin'", and fightin' means killin'."

That night in my bunk I thought through what had happened and tried to make sense of it all. I finally settled on the simple notion that I had a wife and family at home who I wanted badly to see again. I was an American Soldier in combat, those three VC were trying to kill me, I had no choice but to do what I did. It was regrettable that they died, but they did.

That night when I prayed, I thanked the Lord for keeping me safe, and for the souls of those three young VC.

# 2021 Silent Auction

By Greg Mason

We were unable to hold a Silent Auction at the 2020 reunion but are hopeful we will have a more normal 2021 reunion. As a reminder, the 2019 Silent Auction raised \$9,233 for the 11th ACVVC Scholarship Fund with 237 items donated and available for bid. The donated items included many hand-crafted items and one-of-a-kind items with a Blackhorse theme. We look forward to another successful auction.

The auction process will be as follows:

1) Items are needed for the Silent Auction to be conducted during our 36th Annual Reunion in Dallas Texas. Items peculiar to the 11th Cavalry are always favorites, and any item of value is welcome, Cavalry related or not.

2) We will have a **collection site** set-up in the registration area to collect donated items brought to the reunion beginning on Wednesday from 1pm to 5pm, Thursday from 1pm to 5pm, and

Friday from 1pm to 4pm.

3) You can ship items to Eric Newton, to collect, hold and bring the items to the reunion for display. If you plan to ship items, please use the convenient Silent Auction Donor Form printed in this issue. If you bring the items to the reunion, also complete the donation form and include it with the item.

4) The **auction will be from 6pm to 9pm on Friday night** with the bidding ending precisely at 9pm. Those in wheelchairs or motorized chairs will be allowed in at 5:45 to allow them a little time to view the items before the crowds enter.

5) Winning bidders must be present, pick up their items and pay for them between 9pm and 9:30pm after the bidding is closed.

6) If the item is not picked up, the item will be awarded to the next highest bid at 9:30 or auctioned off at 9:45pm

Friday evening. The bid form will have a place for you to leave a cell phone number in case we need to call you to let you know to pick up your item.

7) We will be able to accept cash, checks, Visa or MasterCard for payment.

We do need volunteers to work the collection site and the night of the auction. We are setting up the collection site schedule in 2 hour shifts and if you would like to volunteer please contact me at gregmason311@gmail.com or 813-220-9027. I will respond to your emails as I receive them.

Our reason for requiring items to be picked up and paid for the evening of the auction is because of the difficulties we have had in prior years getting all the items delivered and paid for. We appreciate your understanding.

We look forward to seeing you in Dallas and thanks in advance to all the donors!

## 11th ACVVC Silent Auction

### Donated Items Information Form

Please provide the following information with your donated item. If you wish to donate anonymously, please check the box below.  
**Please print clearly.**

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paid to become eligible to join**



## REGISTRATION FORM



### 36th Annual 11th ACVVC Reunion Dallas, Texas- August 23-30, 2021

Hilton Anatole

2201 Stemmons Freeway, Dallas, Tx

Reservations: 1-800-445-8667

Registration fee is \$115 per person. This fee is required for attendance at the Wednesday, Thursday and Friday night Bunker Parties and Saturday evening banquet dinner.

**All registrations must be received by Friday, July 23, 2021. Any registration received after this date will be returned. Registration refunds will be paid in full to our members if cancellation is received by the Treasurer no later than Friday, August 13, 2021.**

**PLEASE PRINT ALL INFORMATION**  
(print clearly or use mailing label)

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone No: \_\_\_\_\_

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Banquet Meal Selection (Indicate number for each selection) Chicken \_\_\_\_ Beef \_\_\_\_ Veggie \_\_\_\_

Is this your first reunion?  Yes  No      Wheelchair or special needs banquet seating?  Yes

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**11th ACVVC 36th Reunion  
2021 Schedule Dallas, Texas  
August 23-30, 2021**

**Tuesday, August 24**

3:00 PM

Rooms available for set up

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**Wednesday, August 25**

10:00 am - 5:00 pm  
2:00 pm - 6:00 pm  
2:00 pm - 12:am  
5:00 pm - 8:00 pm  
1:00 pm - 5:pm

Quartermaster Store open  
Registration  
Bunker open  
BOD Meeting  
Silent Auction items accepted

Desoto- 2,254 sq. ft. in-out doors  
De La Salle-A 1,104 sq. ft.  
Chantilly Ball Room-28,400 sq ft.  
Coronado-D 1,204 sq. ft.  
Peacock Terrace 4,293 sq. ft. in-out doors

**Thursday, August 26**

9:00 am - 5:00 pm  
2:00 pm - 6:00 pm  
2:00 pm - 12:am  
1:00 pm - 5:pm

Quartermaster Store open  
Registration open  
Bunker open  
Silent Auction items accepted

Desoto- 2,254 sq. ft. in-out doors  
De La Salle-A 1,104 sq. ft.  
Chantilly Ball Room-28,400 sq ft.  
Peacock Terrace 4,293 sq. ft. in-out doors

**Friday, August 27**

9:00 am - 5:00 pm  
10:00 am - 12 noon  
1:00 pm- 3:00 pm  
2:00 pm - 9:00 pm  
2:00 pm - 12:am  
6:00 pm- 9:pm  
9:00pm-10:00pm

Quartermaster Store open  
Veterans Seminar  
D. Snedeker POD Cast 11th ACR in Vietnam film  
Registration open  
Bunker Open  
Silent Auction sell off  
Silent Auction Pay/pick up

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**Saturday, August 28**

9:00 am - 12:00 pm  
9:00am - 12:pm  
2:00 pm - 3:00 pm  
3:00 pm - 5:00 pm  
3:00 pm - 5:00 pm  
5:45 pm-6:45 pm  
6:00 PM  
7:00 pm-10:00 pm  
10:pm- Midnight

Annual Membership Meeting  
Women's meeting  
Memorial Service  
Quartermaster Store open  
Registration open for late arrivals  
Cocktail Hour (Cash Bar)  
Banquet room Doors Open  
Banquet, Presentations and Salute  
Dancing (DJ)

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Chantilly Foyer

**Sunday, August 29**

10:00 am - 11:00 am  
All Day

Worship Service  
Farewell and Safe Travels

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No space Required

# Blackhorse Hoofbeats

Echoes from the Regiment's Service in Vietnam 1966-1972

(December 2020)

By Don Snedeker, 11th ACVVC Historian

## The Secret Code Book

On 5 August 1971, the 10-man Combat Reconnaissance Intelligence Squad (CRIS) conducted its first ambush patrol. The members of the CRIS were all volunteers. They had trained for this ambush for weeks – but this wasn't training anymore, this was the real thing. Were they up to the test? Had they trained hard enough? Did they have enough ammunition, the right equipment, appropriate standard operating procedures (SOPs)? Would the artillery and Air Cav Troop gunships come in time when called? Would they find the bad guys that the S-2 Intelligence Officer had briefed were surely there?

First Lieutenant Dennis Cline and his fellow Eaglehorse CRIS Troopers needn't have worried – not only were they up to the test, they would find something that made headlines in the secret corridors of US intelligence centers all the way to the top.

The Regiment – minus 2/11 and Air Cav Troop – had departed Vietnam exactly five months before the CRIS' first ambush patrol. Echo, Fox, and Golf Troop were virtually the only US armored forces left between Saigon and the Cambodian border – everyone else had gone back to The World. The war was winding down for the US Army and it was time to see if Vietnamization was working. The 1,500-man 2nd Squadron, 11th Armored Cavalry was under the Operational Control (OPCON) of the 3rd Brigade, 1st Cav Division. But, for all practical purposes, 2/11 was on its own, securing Rome Plow operations in the upper Boi Loi Woods – a traditional sanctuary for the North Vietnamese Army (NVA) and Viet Cong (VC) – and working with Army of the Republic of Vietnam (ARVN), Regional Forces (RF), and Popular Forces (PF) at the troop and platoon level. The local NVA and VC units never seemed to run out of mines and at least one ambush patrol a week seemed to make contact, especially between the hours of 1700 – 2100 (5:00 to 9:00 PM) and 0430 – 0600 (4:30 to 6:00 AM). And there were strong indications of increased sapper training activities, leading the intelligence analysts to conclude that there was an increased likelihood of attacks against fire support bases and military installations by the end of August.

The Air Cav Troop and its Aero-Rifle Platoon (ARPs), while still wearing the Blackhorse patch, were almost never available to be used exclusively by 2/11. Third Brigade – the only remaining brigade of the Airmobile Division in Vietnam – always seemed to have a higher priority mission for them. Thus, 2/11 was mostly on its own to counter the infiltration and to obtain more information about enemy capabilities and intentions. Small numbers of helicopters were made available on a daily basis, which took care of most of 2/11's requirements. That typically did not include the ARPs.

The Eaglehorse brain trust thought that establishing and employing a small core of elite Troopers, well-trained in dismounted reconnaissance and setting ambushes, might help to find those who were planting the mines before they could wreak their deadly havoc, to disrupt the nightly NVA/VC resupply activities, and dig up some timely intelli-

gence on possible future attacks. So, a call for volunteers went out; scouts, tankers, and artillerymen were interviewed, and the best were selected. They trained day and night, perfecting silent patrolling techniques, ambush SOPs, map reading, radio procedures, calls for fire, rally points, and all the myriad details that could mean the difference between life and death in the tangled darkness of the Boi Loi Woods.

Finally, LT Cline said they were ready. Based on the most recent intelligence, the S-2 selected a target area in the southern Boi Loi Woods, about mid-way between Tay Ninh City and Saigon astride the Saigon River Corridor, known to be a major infiltration and supply route between the Cambodian border and the capital. The 82nd Rear Service Group was thought to be active in the area, preparing base camps and establishing supply caches for units preparing for or returning from operational missions. They had been in the area since May and it was time that they were welcomed to the area, Blackhorse style.

The ten members of the CRIS were briefed on the enemy situation, on radio call signs, and emergency procedures. Weapons, ammunition, claymores, and radios were checked one final time before leaving Fire Support Base (FSB) Warrior and then they were on their way. This was it – the big time, their first ambush. Time to see if the theory was right, the training appropriate, and the Eaglehorse up to its latest challenge.

Dropped off at 1415 (2:15 PM), the patrol carefully made its way toward the target – a major trail junction that ran generally north-south along a Rome Plow cut. By 1710, the CRIS had set up its ambush. LT Cline called in their coordinates and they settled in to wait for the bad guys. They didn't have long to wait.

An hour and twenty minutes after setting out their claymores and getting into their hide positions, the CRIS theory and training were translated into reality. Six enemy were moving in a single-file column off to the side of one of the trails, along the brush line, leading to the junction where the Eaglehorse Troopers waited. The point man – armed with an AK47 rifle – was 20 feet ahead of the next man in line, with about 5-foot intervals between the next five. They were all wearing the green and blue uniforms of the NVA. A couple even sported a blue and white checkered headband. The second guy in line seemed to have an RPG (rocket-propelled grenade) launcher. The fourth man in line was armed with a pistol – probably an officer!

At the predetermined signal when the NVA entered the kill zone, the Eaglehorse CRIS opened up with everything they had – an M60 machine gun, M16 rifles, M18 claymore mines, and an M79 "blooper" grenade launcher. The point man and the third and fourth NVA soldiers in the column went down immediately. The second man with the RPG was wounded, but was able to get away to the northwest into the brush. Numbers five and six, seemingly unwounded, evaded to the north. The whole fight was over quickly – certainly not more than two minutes from first to last round, maybe less.

After giving the cease fire order, LT Cline directed the CRIS patrol to

sweep the ambush site, check for the three NVA who got away, and then collect the weapons, equipment, and documents from the three NVA who had been killed in the initial fusillade. And, oh what a collection it was. In addition to the standard inventory of Russian and Chinese made weapons (one AK47 rifle, one K54 pistol, one Makarov 9mm pistol, and a B40 RPG launcher), there were two M26 hand grenades (made in the US of A), 20 rounds of pistol and 120 rounds of rifle ammunition, and an eclectic assortment of equipment odds and ends – ranging from an American pistol belt to five hammocks, eight ponchos, three packs, two flashlights, two transistor radios, one cigarette lighter, GI insect repellent, a city map of Saigon and another map showing the area between Tay Ninh City and Saigon, a VC newspaper dated 25 June, and a bunch of personal and official mail. About the same sort of stuff that a GI would carry in his rucksack.

There was also a bag of rice (including instructions on how to cook it), a bag of dried fish sauce (nouc mam), some peppers for spicing up the rice, one can of powdered milk, 20 fish hooks, and a C-ration can opener (even the NVA thought the P38 was one of the greatest inventions known to man). No Tabasco sauce or pound cake, but along the same lines of what most GIs carried to make C rations tolerable.

But there were also some very unique items among the things collected by the CRIS on the night of 5 August 1971. For example, one of the canvas and rubber packs contained a brassiere, a blouse, and other women's clothing. Was one of those who escaped a woman? None of the ten men on the ambush patrol could say for sure. One of

the ambushed NVA was also carrying 75,000 South Vietnamese Piaster – over \$70,000, quite a tidy sum in those days. He was also carrying a lot of receipts, both from Vietnam and from Cambodia, the sort of things one would carry if they were in the business of procuring food, building materials, and medicine to stock a jungle bunker complex.

But the real prize of the 5 August ambush – other than the fact that there were no friendly casualties – were two documents taken from the NVA dead. First, there was a book that contained a detailed list of undercover VC agent numbers and reports since October 1970. In his official report, the Squadron S-2 wrote “Very hot item” behind this entry. The CRIS also discovered a secret code book, which the S-2 characterized as “of extreme importance.”

These documents were quickly scanned at squadron-level and then forwarded to the “highest commands.” Although there is no hint in later 2/11 records what happened to these documents, they were clearly extremely valuable. They gave information about who the VC agents were, what they were says, and provided a key to the codes that were being used by these agents and NVA headquarters.

The 5 August ambush proved the value of the Combat Reconnaissance Intelligence Squad. The theory was right, the training was appropriate, and the Eaglehorse was more than up to the challenge. Like their Air Cav Long Range Reconnaissance Platoon (LRRP) predecessors, the CRIP became part of the Blackhorse’s *ability to find the bastards and pile on.*

## Reunion Registration

As we wrap up this year, which was full of new challenges and uncertainty, our thoughts and prayers are with all the families who are coping with the pandemic or the loss of a loved one. Regardless of whether a death is due to the pandemic, or other illness or accident, their seat at the table is just as empty and the pain runs just as deep. One year ago, we certainly didn't see this coming. Please stay safe and let all of us do our part to keep everyone safe.

As always, it is never too early to pre-register for the reunion and make your hotel reservation. Even if you live near or in Dallas you still need to pre-register. I know, what's the rush? Well, the sooner you get your registration in the quicker we can get your name tags and packet put together and let everyone know that you are planning to attend the reunion. As soon as you see a copy of the registration form on the Blackhorse web site or in the Thunder Run please fill it out and send it in. Of course, it would be a whole lot faster and easier if you just register using the 11th ACVVC web site (11thcavnam.com). After you have registered, if it turns out you can't make it for health reasons, or any other

reason, you can cancel. Just let us know before the cut-off date and you can request to have your registration fee refunded to you.

If you are a Next-Of-Kin (NOK) Family Member or a Star Family Member, please be sure to indicate this somewhere on the registration form.

A Next-Of-Kin Family Member is anyone who has lost a Blackhorse Trooper after they came back from Vietnam. A Star Family Member is anyone that lost a Blackhorse Trooper in Vietnam.

If you have family members or friends that want to attend the reunion with you, please add their names to your registration form, all are welcome. With their registration fee they all have the same privileges as we have except for attending the membership meeting. To attend this meeting, you must be a card-carrying, dues-paid member of the 11th ACVVC. This meeting is not open to spouses, children, or guests. In the past we have had to ask people to leave because they were not authorized to be there.

A quick note about this year's Calendar. “WOW!” Pete Walter put out another great edition. Let's show him how much we enjoy

this year's calendar and send in that little envelope that comes in the calendar to Ollie, with a donation. If it's your first time in giving a donation with this envelope, please put a “1st time” note on the envelope. Just to let you know, less than half of our members send this envelope to Ollie. The more we donate the more scholarships we can give.

If you have any questions regarding registration, or if you just want to talk, please call my phone (home) 608-372-5892 or (cell) 608-387-3346. You can also e-mail me at [groobob@gmail.com](mailto:groobob@gmail.com) any time.

Well folks, I hope you had a great Christmas day and I pray that 2021 is a hundred times better for all of us than 2020 was.

From my family (Barb, Raleigh, and myself) to your family - stay warm, stay dry, be safe and stay healthy.

“We can't help everyone, but everyone can help someone.” Ronald Reagan

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*Roberto “Bob” Moreno  
G Troop 2/11th (Dec 68-Dec 69)*

*11th ACVVC Member Board of Directors  
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Bosko, Charles		Charnota, Daniel	Friend, Richard	Lewis, James
Burke, Tim		Chattin, Frederick	Frizzell, Leo	Lindblad, Peter
Cartwright, Wavely		Chipman, Stephen	Gaston, William	Lorio, Pierre
Ferreira, John		Christeson, Frank	Geesey, Ken	Lynch, Michael
Getgood, John		Church, Frank	Gentry, Lee	MacDonald, Clifford
Glenn, James		Clement, Stephen	Gernand, Mark	Mackenzie, Thomas
Hoolehan, Kevin		Cobb, Richard	Gilbert, Robert	Macleod, Roger
Koch, Thomas		Cornelius, Jerry	Glauner, John	Maloy, Joel
Newman, Roger		Corona, Gary	Glawson, Ronnie	Manning, W.L.
Patch, Buzz		Courtad, Douglas	Gonzales, Benigno	Manzo, Joseph
Rietkerk, Barbara		Courtney, Thomas	Goode , David	Marion, George
Schmitt, Thomas		Cousin, ITT	Goodner, Quinton	Mason, Gregory
<b>Silver Level</b>		Cox, Ralph	Goodyear, Gregory	Matthews, Stephen
Ball, Alvin	Todd, Jon	Cox, Daryl	Graber, John	Mays, Curtis
Gaines, James	Andersen, Kevin	Crabbs, Richard	Graham, James	McCarthy, John
Van Holsbeke, Leon	Atkins, John	Craig, Michael	Grice, Roger	McDonough, John
Waggoner, Hugh	Atkison, Rod	Cranford, William	Griggs, Roy	McFlice, James
<b>Bronze Level</b>	Avila, Arlando	Crocker, George	Grosh, Paul	McGavran, Stephen
Carpenter, Jess	Bahnsen, John (Doc)	Croskey, Phil	Grundy, Farl	McGee, Thomas
Esposito, Carmine	Barnes, Douglas	Cumpston, Samuel	Gulley, Gerald	McGrail, Edmund
Huggins, Ronald	Barnes, William	Dart, Larry	Hack, Charles	McGrath, Thomas
Juskiewicz, Thomas	Barrett, Donald	Daub, August	Hall, John	McGregor, Stewart
Stokes, William	Barrows, William	De Long, Robert	Hatch, Knolen	McNeil, Robert
<b>Assistance Fund</b>	Bartosik, Harry	Dean, Marvin	Hawley, Robert	Meadows, Denver
<b>Gold Level</b>	Bays, Robert	Deberry, William	Heithoff, Kenneth	Mesa, Ralph
Covington, John	Beard, James	Decker, Joseph	Hendry, Frank	Meshev, Clinton
	Beard, C Frederick	deManincor, William	Herb, John	Meyrick, Michael
	Beavers, James	Demasi, Ralph	Hines, Donald	Miller, Brett
	Beliunas, Edward	Dowding, Arthur	Hinnegan, Francis	Mitchell, Jerry
	Bigley, Robert	Drake, David	Homer, Byron	Mohler, Joseph
	Binns, James	Drake, Charles	Hoolehan, Kevin	Mollhoff, Wayne
	Birch, Jimmy	Dray, Randeia	Horan, Dennis	Money, William
	Borri, Steven	Dunn, George	Howell, Monroe	Monroe, Bruce
	Bowen, Alfred	Eggleton, Andrew	Hudnall, Dennis	Montgomery, W.F.
	Brennan, Paul	Eichelberger, Jeral	Hunt, Charles	Morang, Joseph
		Ellingson, Ken	Ishley, Gary	Morin, Donald

Murdock, Monte	Swan, Val	Burr, Chuck	Godfrey, Thomas	Marshall, Troy
Murray, Edward	Swiger, Rocky	Burris, Lonnie	Goodwater, Howard	Martens, Ricki
Myers, Robert	Tallent, James	Carlson, Robert	Gootee, Marvin	Mashburn, Lewis
Neiford, Douglas	Thomas, Richard	Caswell, Jonathan	Gordon, David	McCann, Timothy
Nelson, Lee	Timmons, Donald	Cavanagh, Michael	Graffum, Denis	McClellan, Bryan
Newman, Gary	Tonkovich, Dennis	Cederquist, Dennis	Greany, Paul	McGill, James
Nicklas, Harold	Traner, James	Chase, Randy	Greek, Charles	McIntosh, James
Norris, George	Trentman, Harry	Chavez, Larry	Green, Dennis	McLendon, Glenn
Norsian, Arsen	Tufankjian, Haig	Chesemore, James	Grogg, John	McMillion, David
Obenschain, Richard	Turrentine, Thomas	Childress, Warren	Guenhardt, Gerald	McSwiggan, Joseph
O'Connell, David	Uzzi, Gerald	Cho, Young	Guerena, Jesse	McVicker, James
Oracz, Robert	Vanderbogart, Kirk	Christenson, Kathy	Guy, Joseph	Mendoza, David
Payne, Horace	Varlien, Frank	Clack, Douglas	Gwinn, Ted	Menix, Wilbert
Peterson, Charles	Vasey, Stephen	Clark, Floyd	Gwinn, Troy	Meyer, William
Pines, Joe	Vollbrecht, Kenneth	Cofty, L.E.	Hane, Jim	Mills, Stephen
Plisch, Clifford	Volta, Donald	Comer, Joseph	Harris, William	Mitchell, Michael
Porter, Don	Walker, Dan	Conner, Jerry	Hartgraves, Michael	Mix, Bonita
Quinn, Richard	Walter, Peter	Connolly, David	Harvey, Michael	Montgomery, Thomas
Quinones, Eladio	Walton, Lynne	Cramer, G William	Hathaway, Allen	Moodie, Dennis
Radotic, Peter	Watkins, Charles	Craugh, David	Hein, Dwane	Moreno, Fred
Radzwillas, Arminda	Watkins, Michael	Cribbs, Wayne	Herlinsky, Walter	Morgan, Danny
Rankin, William	Wheeler, Richard	Crommett, Charles	Hice, David	Morrissey, Matthew
Rawson, Robert	White, James	Cronk, Raymond	Hilden, Andrew	Murphy, Thomas
Rinne, Howard	Whitson, Thomas	Crouthamel, John	Hinkle, Weldon	Mussche, Donald
Robinson, Arlise	Wickstrom, Eric	Culver, Gary	Hjort, R.A.	Nash, Dane
Romero, Silvo	Williams, Ray	Cunningham, James	Hobbie, William	Neighbors, Andrew
Russell, W Arthur	Williams, Keith	Dalton, David	Hoke, Kenneth	Newcomb, Dale
Rybacki, Henry	Williamson, Gerald	Daniel, Ronald	Holland, Thomas	Nute, Charles
Rybun, Glenn	Willis, James	Davison, Donald	Hoponick, Dennis	O'Loughlin, Brian
Sallenbach, Murray	Winkler, James	Deege, Leonard	Howard, Henry	Ottesen, Sven
Sartor, Donald	Wolfe, Fredrick	Derick, Barry	Hryadil, Nicholas	Patin, Melvin
Savicki, Robert	Wood, Eddie	Dickensheet, Joseph	Hulik, Edward	Pawlaski, Stanley
Scali, Salvatore	Woodham, Tom	Dobbs, John	Ingram, Glendon	Petrusko, Donald
Schmidt, Dennis	Worley, Larry	Donnelly, Edward	Ivey, Walker	Philipp, Edward
Schmitt, Thomas	Worthy, Gary	Duke, Billy	Jackson, Charles	Plummer, Halvor
Schunk, James	Wright, George	Duncan, Thomas	Janairo, Antonio	Potopa, John
Scott, Charles	Yochum, Thomas	Dussault, Raymond	In Memory of, Donald	Pryor, Lee
Scott, Alexander		Eads, Hugh	Crocker	Pylak, George
Semmelmeyer, Peter		Eaton, Noyd	In Memory of Gerald	Quillici, Mark
Sidebottom, William		Ehrets, Steven	Palma	Rexinger, Hedvig
Sieja, Ronald		Evans, David	Jones, Nobleton	Reyes, Jose
Simmons, Michael		Farrant, Marcus	Karabinos, Blandin	Richards, Dennis
Skinn, Richard		Fernovich, Walter	Kelly, Thomas	Roper, Everett
Skinner, Michael		Fish, Elbridge	Kerr, John	Rosendahl, Myron
Slomienski, Walter		Fisher, James	Kinsner, Ronald	Rudisill, Gerald
Smit, Arthur		Fixx, Darrell	Kittleson, Harold	Ryan, James
Solis, Francis		Fogleman, George	Kotek, Richard	Saine, Dan
Soule, Robert		Foley, Paul	Kotwica, Jerome	Sakole, Michael
Spriggs, Steven		Fortman, Ed	Lamb, James	Schiller, Nelson
Staffieri, Eustacchio		Franken, Henry	Lamdin, Robert	Schoettle, Francis
Stafford, Edmund		Gann, Gary	Levasseur, Mark	Schultz, Lane
Steege, Gregory		Gardner, Robert	Linberg, Robert	Scott, Gary
Stephens, Phillip		Garloch, Dale	Lopez, Jeffrey	Scott, Charles
Stewart, Randal		Garren, Kenneth	Lundahl, Richard	Selch, William
Strickland, John		Gehring, Joseph	Machut, James	Shakow, Raymond
Strickler, Edward		Getgood, John	Magnarelli, John	Sharpe, Larry
Sucato, Richard		Gibbs, George	Majewski, Raymond	Shepler, Michael
Sugihara, Martyn		Gill, Charles	Malnarick, Bernard	Smith, Larry
Sullivan, John		Gleditsch, Herbert	Malone, Walker	Smith, Scott
Sussman, Bob		Gloege, Douglas	Manthei, Sheldon	Souza, Albert

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Aldrich, Hugo	Eaton, Noyd	Foley, Paul	Fortman, Ed	Gann, Gary	Gardner, Robert	Gehring, Joseph	Getgood, John	Gibbs, George	Gill, Charles	Gleditsch, Herbert	Gloege, Douglas
Allendorf, John	Ehrets, Steven	Fisher, James	Fixx, Darrell	Fogleman, George	Fisher, James	Fish, Elbridge	Fixx, Darrell	Foley, Paul	Fortman, Ed	Franken, Henry	Ehrets, Steven
Andrews, Jerry	Evans, David	Farrant, Marcus	Foggeman, George	Foley, Paul	Fisher, James	Fish, Elbridge	Fixx, Darrell	Foley, Paul	Fortman, Ed	Franken, Henry	Andrews, Jerry
Angel, George	Farrant, Marcus	Fernovich, Walter	Fogelman, George	Foley, Paul	Fisher, James	Fish, Elbridge	Fixx, Darrell	Foley, Paul	Fortman, Ed	Franken, Henry	Angel, George
Arabian, Gordon	Fernovich, Walter	Fish, Elbridge	Fogelman, George	Foley, Paul	Fisher, James	Fish, Elbridge	Fixx, Darrell	Foley, Paul	Fortman, Ed	Franken, Henry	Arabian, Gordon
Arble, Patrick	Fish, Elbridge	Fisher, James	Fogelman, George	Foley, Paul	Fisher, James	Fish, Elbridge	Fixx, Darrell	Foley, Paul	Fortman, Ed	Franken, Henry	Arble, Patrick
Arce, Carlos	Fisher, James	Fixx, Darrell	Fogelman, George	Foley, Paul	Fisher, James	Fish, Elbridge	Fixx, Darrell	Foley, Paul	Fortman, Ed	Franken, Henry	Arce, Carlos
Argento, Chuck	Fixx, Darrell	Foley, Paul	Fogelman, George	Foley, Paul	Fisher, James	Fish, Elbridge	Fixx, Darrell	Foley, Paul	Fortman, Ed	Franken, Henry	Argento, Chuck
Austin, William	Foley, Paul	Fortman, Ed	Fogelman, George	Foley, Paul	Fisher, James	Fish, Elbridge	Fixx, Darrell	Foley, Paul	Fortman, Ed	Franken, Henry	Austin, William
Bachler, David	Franken, Henry	Franken, Henry	Fogelman, George	Foley, Paul	Fisher, James	Fish, Elbridge	Fixx, Darrell	Foley, Paul	Fortman, Ed	Franken, Henry	Bachler, David
Baker, Daina	Gann, Gary	Gann, Gary	Fogelman, George	Foley, Paul	Fisher, James	Fish, Elbridge	Fixx, Darrell	Foley, Paul	Fortman, Ed	Franken, Henry	Baker, Daina
Baker, Marvin	Gardner, Robert	Gardner, Robert	Fogelman, George	Foley, Paul	Fisher, James	Fish, Elbridge	Fixx, Darrell	Foley, Paul	Fortman, Ed	Franken, Henry	Baker, Marvin
Barnett, Thomas	Garloch, Dale	Garloch, Dale	Fogelman, George	Foley, Paul	Fisher, James	Fish, Elbridge	Fixx, Darrell	Foley, Paul	Fortman, Ed	Franken, Henry	Barnett, Thomas
Beas, John	Garren, Kenneth	Garren, Kenneth	Fogelman, George	Foley, Paul	Fisher, James	Fish, Elbridge	Fixx, Darrell	Foley, Paul	Fortman, Ed	Franken, Henry	Beas, John
Beck, John	Gehring, Joseph	Gehring, Joseph	Fogelman, George	Foley, Paul	Fisher, James	Fish, Elbridge	Fixx, Darrell	Foley, Paul	Fortman, Ed	Franken, Henry	Beck, John
Belcher, Richard	Getgood, John	Getgood, John	Fogelman, George	Foley, Paul	Fisher, James	Fish, Elbridge	Fixx, Darrell	Foley, Paul	Fortman, Ed	Franken, Henry	Belcher, Richard
Blaisdell, John	Gibbs, George	Gibbs, George	Fogelman, George	Foley, Paul	Fisher, James	Fish, Elbridge	Fixx, Darrell	Foley, Paul	Fortman, Ed	Franken, Henry	Blaisdell, John
Bland, James	Gill, Charles	Gill, Charles	Fogelman, George	Foley, Paul	Fisher, James	Fish, Elbridge	Fixx, Darrell	Foley, Paul	Fortman, Ed	Franken, Henry	Bland, James
Blankinship, James	Gleditsch, Herbert	Gleditsch, Herbert	Fogelman, George	Foley, Paul	Fisher, James	Fish, Elbridge	Fixx, Darrell	Foley, Paul	Fortman, Ed	Franken, Henry	Blankinship, James
Bryant, Doug	Gloege, Douglas	Gloege, Douglas	Fogelman, George	Foley, Paul	Fisher, James	Fish, Elbridge	Fixx, Darrell	Foley, Paul	Fortman, Ed	Franken, Henry	Bryant, Doug
Burns, John			Fogelman, George	Foley, Paul	Fisher, James	Fish, Elbridge	Fixx, Darrell	Foley, Paul	Fortman, Ed	Franken, Henry	Burns, John

Spanier, Eric	Bailey, Benjamen	Byrne, Lloyd	Davis, Robert	Freme, Robert
Steese, Harry	Bailey, David	Bystrak, Paul	Davis, George	Frenette, Robert
Steinwachs, Michael	Baker, Robert	Callahan, Donald	Degaray, Francis	Freyn, Richard
Stogner , H.G.	Bangs, David	Campbell, Jimmie	Delacruz, Conrado	Fricke, Dennis
Suhre, Bill	Banks, Patricia	Carabetta, J.	Denaro, Matthew	Frisbey, Stan
Taylor, David	Barnhill, Leonard	Carna, James	Derenda, Joseph	Fry, Gary
Tealdi, Leo	Barrows, Elwood	Carosella, Joseph	Derge, Mark	Fuller, Herbert
Templer, Thomas	Bartlett, James	Carpenter , Jess	DeSoto, Gerald	Fust, Arlan
Torres, Arturo	Bartley, Carl	Carraturo, Anthony	DeWit, Leray	Fye, Stanley
Vail, Richard	Basler, Harold	Carroll, Patrick	Diais, Merlin	Gadberry, Blaine
Van Burger, Bill	Bassett, Robert	Cassen, Samuel	Dickinson, Jame	Gall, Irving
VanDeventer, Lawrence	Bathurst, J A	Castro, Daniel	Dickson, Robert	Gambol, Roland
Vargas, Juan	Bauer, Stephen	Cavalera, Michael	Dinardo, Michael	Garcia, Julio
Vied, Charles	Baughman, William	Cavinder, Larry	Dittess, John	Garris, Lorenzo
Voss, Jeffrey	Bechard, Reginald	Charbeneau, William	Dittmer, James	Geldziler, Gene
Voss, Alvin	Beck, Rudolf	Charette, Ronald	Dodson, Kenneth	Gerhardt, Terry
Waggoner, Hugh	Bennett, Ronald	Charles, Gale	Dowdican, Dennis	Gibbs, Rodney
Wallech, Joseph	Bennett, Jim	Childers, Charles	Doxtator, Everett	Gibbs, Lonnie
Wallen, Harry	Bernard, Richie	Chilinski, Mike	Drew, Donald	Gietzenitf, William
Wardrope, Scott	Bernt, Gustaf	Chin, Carey	Droski, Frederick	Gilbert, Howard
West, Wayne	Berry, David	Chisholm, Roderick	Dukes, David	Gildein, John
Whitcomb, Scott	Berry, Howard	Christian, Gus	Dungey, Leon	Giles, Hannelore
Williams, Lyndal	Billips, Eugene	Ciborowski, Dennis	Dunlop, James	Gilliam, Larry
Williams, Nicholas	Birch, Manuel	Cioffi, Terry	Dunn, Paul	Gilpedin, Vic
Wills, Thomas	Birdwell, Jeff	Cirjak, John	Duplantis, Blair	Giorgio, Vincent
Wolfe, Okey	Bishop, James	Cizmadia, Joseph	Dye, Donald	Gissible, Paul
Worley, Richard	Blawat, James	Clark, Allen	Edwards, Montie	Gizzi, Ernest
Yancy, Rodney	Bledsoe, Carlton	Clark, Larry	Einck, Rodney	Glaig, James
Young, Robert	Blunt, Wallace	Colameco, Thomas	Eitel, Roger	Godshall, James
Zajac, Eugene	Bockman, Wayne	Coleman, James	Ekert, Frank	Godwin, David
Zaremba, John	Bodenus, George	Colman, Richard	Elbert, Dennis	Goff, Robert
Zimmerman, James	Bodo, Randy	Colson, Ronald	Elliott, Keith	Golden, Robert

### Bronze Level

Bronze Level	Bonfanti, Charles	Compton, Bob	Emerson, William	Gonzalez, Philip
Abrams, Lawrence	Boobyer, Teddy	Coney, Frank	Emerson, Ron	Gorby, Rochelle
Adamonis, James	Bostelman, Christopher	Connelly, Danny	Epperly, Howell	Gorley, Paul
Agosti, William	Boswell, Virgil	Cordero, P	Esquibel, Steve	Grabenhorst, John
Ahrens, Daniel	Bourdeau, Michael	Costa, John	Estep, Roger	Green, Floyd
Aldridge, James	Bouthot, Claude	Cotton, Earnest	Farrell, James	Greisinger, William
Alestra, Malcolm	Boutieller, Robert	Cox, Daniel	Farrell, Thomas	Gresh, Vincent
Allen, Raymond	Bowling, Thomas	Cozier, A R	Felizardo, Carlos	Griep, Paul
Allender, William	Bowling, Bill	Crabtree, James	Ferguson, Doyle	Gumpf, John
Alsobrook, William	Brace, Betty	Crandall, Ray	Ferrill, Grady	Gutierrez, Winslow
Amstutz, Thomas	Braddy, Melvin	Creel, Joe	Fields, Clifford	Guzowski, Frank
Anderson, Larry	Brading, Michael	Cricco, Michael	Finley, Merrill	Haberer, John
Anderson, Paul	Bradley, Otis	Crimmins, Carl	Fiorillo, Pasquale	Hadfield, William
Anderson, Harold	Brennick, Robert	Crist, Michael	Fiscor, John	Hafer, John
Angeline, Frederic	Brigman, Jimmie	Crook, Jack	Flynn, Patrick	Hagenbucher, Edward
Anonymous	Brophy, Joseph	Crowe, Jody	Foggin, John	Hagood, Robert
Arbuckle, Jerome	Brown, Danny	Cullerton, Thomas	Ford , Joseph	Hagopian, Jack
Arellano, Nasario	Brown, Gary	Cunningham, Charles	Fordonski, David	Halama, Ronald
Arft, Larry	Brumm, Maurice	Curtis, K Lee	Forehan, Dennis	Hall, Rick
Argo, Clyde	Bryden, Edward	Cusman, David	Forrester, Larry	Hall, John M
Armagost, Charles	Buckley, Gary	Czerepuszko, Daniel	Foster, David	Hammond, Kip
Armentrout, T.L.	Buehre, Michael	Czerwinski, Joseph	Foster, Gary	Hansford, Harold
Arnold, Charles	Burba, Mildred	Damron, Harlan	Fowler, James	Hanson, Jeffrey
Arnold, Dannie	Butler, R Frank	Darland, Allen	Francis, Glynn	Harbin, Frank
Arterberry, Orville	Byers, John	Daub, Herbert	Franklin, Martin	Harmon, Donald
Atkinson, John	Byrne, Douglas	Davidson, Larry	Franks, Richard	Harnick, Gregory
	Byrne, William	Davidson, John	Freeman, Dennis	Harris, Michael

Harris, Gerald	Jones, Russell	Like, David	Montano, W.A.	Phillips, David
Harris, John	Jones, Edward	Lile, Nicholas	Montgomery, Fred	Pickett, Glenn
Hastings, Donald	Jordan, Michael	Lilly, Harry	Moon, Bradford	Pickral, Ollie
Hatch, Harold	Juskiewicz, Thomas	Lindell, Craig	Moore, James	Pitts, Charles
Hawk, Francis	Kappahn, John	Lingen, John	Moore, Floyd	Pitts, Christopher
Headrick, Joseph	Karels, Roger	Little, Eldred	Moore, David	Poe, James
Hebert, Donald	Kashas, Ray	Livingston, Donald	Morelock, Jerry	Powell, Marvin
Helm, James	Kays, Danny	Lopes, Francis	Morgan, Dennis	Pressgrove, Fletcher
Henley, Ronald	Kehoe, Dennis	Lopez, Joseph	Moring, Damion	Pritzl, Noel
Henry, Freddy	Keirns, Tommy	Love, Guy	Morman, Thomas	Proctor, Willie
Henson, Richard	Kelly, Ronald	Lozano, Oscar	Morris, James	Puccio, Roy
Henson, Donald	Kennedy, Darrell	Luke, Craig	Morris, Henry	Pudelek, John
Hernandez, Al	Kennedy, Markie	Lundy, Kenneth	Morrison, Charles	Qualteri, James
Hernandez, Manuel	Kern, Richard	Lyle, Roger	Morrison, Willie	Quinn, Richard
Hertel, Herbert	Kersis, Bruce	MacDonald, John	Moughmer, Dave	Rafferty, Michael
Heuston, Robert	Kiehl, Ronald	Magee, Howard	Mowery, Robert	Ralston, William
Hilderbrand, Bruce	King, Dennis	Mahler, Paul	Mulcahey, Daniel	Ramnytz, Samuel
Hoefler, John	King, Kenneth	Maker, Richard	Murphy, Marcia	Ramsey, Jack
Hoelker, Ewald	King, Clyde	Malan, John	Murrow, Duncan	Raseman, Kim
Hoem, Neil	Kirchoff, Thomas	Mankowski, Carl	Mutchler, Charles	Ray, Judson
Hoff, Don	Kloewer, Leo	Mann, Johnny	Nagel, John	Reed, Jackson
Hofmann, William	Knoche, Timothy	Marmet, David	Naidas, Kenny	Reeves, James
Hofstaedter, Thomas	Koch, Norman	Martin, Romeo	Neal, Bobby	Refshauge, Charles
Holbrook, Gregory	Kontzelmann, Fred	Martinez, Nichols	Nelson, Kenneth	Relyea, Mark
Holden, Robert	Kowalski, James	Martinez, David	Nelson, Jack	Reynolds, Philip
Holk, Roland	Kralovic, David	Mascuilli, Timothy	Nemetz, Joseph	Rhyner, Robert
Holliday, Joseph	Kraxberger, W.S.	Masiella, Anthony	Newlin, Ronny	Richmond, Gordon
Hollis, Ronald	Kremling, Rubin	Massengale, Glen	Newman, Leslie	Richmond, C H
Hooton, Berke	Kubena, William	Mathews, Anthony	Nissen, Lewis	Richmond, Randy
Hoover, Kathleen	Kuhr, Richard	Mathias, Terry	Noe, James	riggsby, Oakley
Horgdal, Ole	Kujawa, Theodore	Matthews, James	Nyberg, Roger	Riley, James
Horvatic, Michael	Kulpa, Norman	Mayer, Jan	Oakman, Mark	Ringstad, Michael
Hovda, James	Kurihara, Harry	McBryde, Jerry	Ochman, Ronald	Riordan, Timothy
Hoyle, Danny	Kurse, Robert	McCluskey, Wayne	O'Connell, Vincent	Ritter, Gregory
Hrom, John	Laite, Allen	McEvoy, Stephen	O'Donohue, James	Ritter, J. H.
Huff, Charles	Lancaster, Bill	McFee, Thaniel	Ohlen, William	Roberta, James
Hufnagle, Richard	Lancaster, James	McGarrity, Thomas	Olechny, Patrick	Robertson, Melvin
Hughes, Randall	Lane, R.L.	McGinnis, Peter	Olivarez, Raymond	Rogen, John
Hull, Larry	Lane, Earl	McGowan, Bernard	Olson, Gene	Roman, Irving
Hull, Blaine	LaNeve, Louis	McGuire, Gordon	Opp, Terry	Rominquez, Jesus
Humbert, John	Lang, David	Mckenney, Thomas	Ornellis, William	Ronne, Ralph
Humbertson, John	Langley, Rickey	McKillip, Clarence	Ortiz, Roxane	Roseman, Richard
Hunter, Kendall	Lanphier, Connie	McWethy, Wesley	Ostrom, David	Rosenberg, Ralph
Hussey, James	LaPoint, Albert	Meier, Michael	Ottenbreit, John	Rosenkrands, Peter
Isillo, Robert	Laridon, Michael	Menefee, Douglas	Pace, D L	Rothmeyer, Larry
In Honor of, Wayne	Larson, Kenneth	Merideth, Glen	Padgett, Connie	Ruffner, John
Sanders	Laspina, William	Merz, Robert	Pagan, Angel	Ruocco, William
Jablonski, Chester	Lawless, James	Mettler, Larry	Palmer, David	Russell, David
Jackson, Daniel	Lawlor, Thomas	Meyer, Keith	Pascual, Carl	Russell, Richard
Jackson, Daniel	Lee, Kenneth	Michaud, Randolph	Passanisi, Paul	Sanderson, Arthur
Jacobson, James	Lee, Robert	Middough, Thomas	Patterson, John	Sarabia, Monica
Jacques, Tine	Lee, Boston	Migues, Willie	Patton, Thomas	Schaechter, Terrence
Jaime, Daniel	Leeson, William	Miller, William	Paul, George	Schaefer, Adrian
Jarrell, David	Lemperle, Myron	Miller, David	Payne, Ardrea	Schaefer, James
Jeans, Jessie	Lenger, Norman	Miller, George	Pearl, Ronald	Schaunaman, Paul
Joe, Ronald	Lessard, Gerard	Miller, Lyle	Pelton, Andrew	Scheffler, Donald
Joel, Candace	L'Etoile, Roger	Minard, Linda	Pelvas, Bruce	Schneeman, Frederick
Johnson, Gary	Letvinchuck, Robert	Miner, Robert	Pendlosky, John	Schneider, David
Johnston, Leroy	Lewis, Danny	Miner, Donald	Pendola, Lloyd	Schnetter, Robert
Johnston, Robert	Licon, Thomas	Modzel, Raymond	Phillips, Charles	Schoonmaker, Tracey

Schreck, Dennis	Smith, Paul	Tenik, Joseph	Van Atta, Mark	White, Robert
Scott, Larry	Snapp, Larry	Terhaar, Arlyn	Van Ert, William	Whorton, Charles
Seeger, Patrick	Snell, Isaac	Tetreault, Glenn	Van Holsbeke, Leon	Wilcox, John
Self, Gary	Snow, Tony	Thain, Gary	Vaughan, Travis	Williams, Dana
Selner, Arland	Soehnlen, Nickolas	Thayer, Paul	Veenendall, Mike	Williams, Ernesto
Selvitella, Dennis	Sorich, John	Thielman, Ronald	Velie, Richard	Williams, David B.
Severeid, Ralph	Sowers, Harry	Thomas, Arthur	Virusky, Edmund	Williams, Terry
Sexton, James	Spahr, Charles	Thompson, Richard	Wagner, Dewitt	Williams, Jeffrey
Seymour, David	Spear, Reggie	Thompson, Annette	Wagner, William	Williams, Loredda
Share, Michael	Spitze, Jim	Thompson, Michael	Walker, James	Wing, Shayne
Sharpe, Terry	Stalmah, Charles	Thompson, David	Walls, Keith	Wing, Douglas
Shehan, Walden	Stamey, Charles	Tiedeman, David	Ward, Jim	Wisdom, Scott
Sherman, Robert	Stevenson, William	Tilton, Edward	Ward, Bobby	Witt, Marvin
Sherman, Garry	Stines, Harold	Tinsley, Jack	Ward, Bruce	Woellner, Robert
Shogan, Alexander	Stoddard, Paul	Tips, George	Waters, Larry	Wolas, Theodore
Shoin, Richard	Story, Bud	Tonks, Glenn	Waters, Theodore	Wood, Kenneth
Sikora, Thomas	Straszewski, Gerard	Torsok, Michael	Watt, Roland	Woods, Marshall
Silvernail, Marion	Sullivan, David	Townsend, Robert	Watts, Bufford	Wresch, Michael
Simpson, Charles	Summers, Carl	Trabanco, Andrew	Watts, George	Wright, Stephen
Simpson, Lonnie	Swanson, George	Trahan, Vernon	Webb, Gary	Wright, Ralph
Sinclair, Robert	Swanson, James	Traw, Gary	Webb, Kenneth	Wright, Curtis
Sisco, Claude	Sweningson, Bruce	Traylor, Douglas	Weiman, Harry	Wynne, William
Skinn, Richard	Szymanski, Raymond	Tripp, Louis	Welch, Dennis	Yates, John
Slusher, Rod	Tandberg, Lauren	Trottier, Raymond	Welton, Floyd	Yoder, Kenneth
Smith, James A.	Tankovich, James	Tscholl, Andrew	Werker, Frank	Zaiontz, Lee
Smith, Thomas	Tarlach, Natalie	Tumlin, R M	Werner, Warren	Zaun, James
Smith, Paul	Tarr, Raymond	Turnbull, Ronald	Wertz, Edward	Zellmer, Steven
Smith, Sherman	Taylor, F Robert	Turopolac, Stuart	Westerberg, Victor	Zillner, Robert
Smith, Art	Taylor, Craig	Ungurean, Timothy	Westerman, James	Zipp, Darrell
Smith, Dennis	Taylor, Robert	Valdez, Frank	Westphal, John	
Smith, Russell	Templin, William	Valdez, Anthony	Weynand, Michael	

## VSO INFORMATION

Chuck Bosko, Medic, F Trp 69-70  
Veteran Service Officer/Appeals Specialist

I have received numerous inquiries through the years from vets requesting an explanation regarding "...how does the VA add percentages for disability compensation ratings?" Well, one answer would be, watch the original "The Day the Earth Stood Still" and pay attention to the scene where Klaatu solves the professor's math problem. Or an answer could be that the VA raters have a dart board and the percentage combination is wherever the darts land. Actually, there is a better answer. Here goes.

Since the total percentage of any rating or combination of ratings cannot exceed 100%, then 100% is essentially the base from which a rating or combination of ratings are calculated. Confused yet? Not to worry. Example time -

Veteran Jody submits a claim for a broken ankle problem sustained when Jody was hopping from ACAV to ACAV in Nam. The VA determines the ankle is service connected and awards Jody 30%. Now - that leaves another 70% ( $100\% - 30\% = 70\%$ ) that Jody could obtain for any other condition he may claim as service connected. Hope I am clear so far because the roller coaster is about to start.

Jody does submit a claim for hearing loss and tinnitus because during his time in Nam, he was an ACAV driver with that 50 cal. right

above his right ear. Again, the VA determines his hearing loss and tinnitus are service connected and award him 10% for each. Now most vets would think Jody will collect 50% as the 30%, and the two 10%'s add up to 50%. Not so! Here is where it becomes interesting.

The VA calculates one of Jody's new percentages as 10% times 70% ( $.10 \times .70 = .07$ ). Therefore,  $30\% + 7\% = 37\%$ . The new total percentage for Jody is actually 37%. However, the VA only pays at percentages in tens (10, 20 etc.). So, the VA will round up the 37 % to 40% and pay Jody at the 40% rate. To continue - since Jody's new rating is 37%, that leaves 63% ( $100 - 37 = 63$ ) for Jody to obtain. So, when the VA awards Jody the other 10%, the calculation is  $(.63 \times .10 = .06)$ . The existing 37% plus the new 6% equals 43%. Again, the VA does not pay at 43%, so the VA will continue at the 40% rate.

A clarification – VA rounds up for any rating 5 and above and rounds down below 5.

Ready for a drink now? Go ahead, it's oaky after reading the above. Believe me, many vets had that "deer in the headlights" look after I attempted to explain the above. Usually, vets will simply tell me to stop talking as they walk out my office, shaking their heads. I am just glad the VA uses computer driven calculators.

Allons and welcome home.



# Chaplain's Corner

Chaplain Blandin Karabinos, HHT 2/11 ACR 71-72

## Bond Among Veterans

I have a friend, a funeral director in California; a man of adventure or, just a man who can't stand routine or boredom. John has sailed the oceans alone in his 60-foot sailboat. About eight years ago, after making a success of his business, he sold it and decided to sail for the Mediterranean. He stopped at a number of places along the way to visit friends, even docking for the winter in Hampton Roads and spending a few days with us.

But that's not the story, the story is about **Faith** and **Trust**. More importantly, it is about not breaking faith and fulfilling a trust.

While John was blissfully sailing the Gulf of Mexico, his friend, Bob, called him to say farewell. Bob mentioned that he didn't have long to live and wanted John to scatter his ashes off the coast of Normandy, where a lot of his buddies had died during the invasion. John's explanation that he was no longer in the funeral business didn't satisfy the veteran, so he agreed with a caveat, that it might be several years until he got to the English Channel. To which Bob replied: "*John, I plan on being dead a long time, so it will not matter how long it takes.*" The World War II hero died believing that his remains would be scattered off Omaha Beach.

A few months later, John docked his boat for the winter, flew back to San Francisco to visit his family. While there, he contacted Bob's wife, Betty, and secured the urn and

the American Flag that had draped Bob's coffin.

John carried those ashes for more than five years, around the Gulf, up the Intercoastal waterway and across the Atlantic. His wife flew to meet him in Spain and they sailed the Mediterranean. John spent the next four years exploring that sea, lost yet another wife, and docked in Barcelona to soak up the salubrious sunshine of Catalonia.

While working on his boat, a gentleman offered him "*an outrageous sum*" and John took the offer. He then took from the boat enough clothes to fill his backpack, the folded American flag and the urn with his friend's ashes. Catching a flight to Paris, he took a train to Caen and then, trying to re-live his youth, hitchhiked to Port en Bessin on the Normandy coast.

Early in the morning, waiting for the high tide, John located a fisherman and his two sons preparing sail. He asked one of the sons if they would bury his friend at sea. He offered him money, which the lad refused saying: "*It is an honor for my father and me, and it is an honor for France.*" Bob's wish to be buried with his veteran buddies was to be fulfilled.

John passed them the urn, videotaped the burial at sea and proudly waved the American flag once more over the liberated shoreline. **Trust** fulfilled.

John's friend of World War II vintage had

**Faith** ... believing with all his heart that it could be done. He trusted that John would fulfill his wish, and John of course, being a Marine, could not break faith. He never forgot, never neglected, never backed off that assurance he had given his friend, that it would be so.

American veterans have a special bond with one another. It is a faith, a faith that their comrades will stand with and beside them and a trust that they will bring them through any hell and back home. The Marines have that tradition, and our brother troopers of the 11th Armored Cavalry Regiment have it as well ... never leaving one of our own behind. That is our faith, our trust.

Many, many of our fighting men have given their last ounce of courage, their last measure of devotion as an assurance of their belief in that trust. – to bring a buddy home.

The actions of our veterans, through all our wars, speaks more than my words can say. They have transcended fear to honor their fallen brother's faith and to preserve a national trust. That is our inheritance.

When veterans return to The Wall, or the World War II or Korean War Monuments in Washington and proudly and breathlessly salute those marble edifices, it is because they do not want to break faith nor dishonor trust. Their personal appearance is an action that speaks louder than any word.

Chaplain Bill Karabinos

## MOVING?

We want you to get your copy of *Thunder Run* without a lot of trouble. Complete this form and mail it to: 11th ACVVC Membership Update, Allen Hathaway, 13194 Rettew Dr., Manassas, VA 20112; Email [11thcav1966@Comcast.net](mailto:11thcav1966@Comcast.net)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Old Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_

State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

New Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_

State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Effective Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_



## Don't forget you can shop online at the PX

All honorably discharged veterans can shop online through the Army & Air Force Exchange Service. Shoppers can save significant amounts of money doing so, since there is no state sales tax and shipping on purchases over \$49 is free.

The Exchange's commitment to veterans includes veteran shoppers. The Department of Defense concurred with extending a life-long online military Exchange shopping benefit to all honorably discharged veterans. Veterans can visit [ShopMyExchange.com/vets](http://ShopMyExchange.com/vets) to learn more.

All you need is a DD-214 to get registered and get shopping.



# SCHOLARSHIP UPDATE & IMPORTANT INFORMATION

by Mike "Doc" Rafferty, Director and Scholarship Chairman



In 2021, scholarship applicants will again be divided into two categories: applicants who plan to enroll or are enrolled in colleges and universities; and applicants who plan to enroll or are enrolled in a trade school or a community college vocational program. The same percentage of scholarships will be given to each group of students. For example: in 2020, we were able to award scholarships to 38% of the applicants in each category. Both groups of students use the same application which can be found in this issue of *Thunder Run* or on our website ([www.11thcavnam.com](http://www.11thcavnam.com)). This is an updated application form and must be used by all applicants applying for scholarships in 2021. Please contact me if you have questions.

The 11th ACVVC Scholarship Program has awarded 583 scholarships totaling \$1,858,000 to the children and grandchildren of our membership since its inception in 1996! Every scholarship dollar paid to these deserving scholarship winners was donated by YOU, the members of this great association of Blackhorse combat veterans!

Our Scholarship Guide provides more information on the scholarship process and history of the program. You can find the Guide on our website. If you have a child or grandchild who is planning on attending a college, community college or trade school this fall, please encourage them to apply for a scholarship (application deadline 05/15/2021).

Each recipient's Scholarship Award will be dedicated in honor of a specific 11th Cavalry "Blackhorse" Trooper who was Killed in Action (KIA) in Vietnam or Cambodia. The Blackhorse KIAs honored each year are selected on an impartial and random basis. An attractive certificate suitable for framing and containing information about the trooper in whose honor their scholarship is dedicated will be sent to each recipient.

In addition, each year, one recipient is selected to receive a special Colonel Charles L. Schmidt Leadership Scholarship award in honor of former 11th ACVVC President Chuck Schmidt for his leadership and devotion to the 11th Cavalry "Blackhorse" Troopers of the Vietnam War. Chuck died on Veterans Day 2007 as a result Agent Orange-related cancer shortly after being elected to his third term as President. Chuck's widow, Mrs. Bonnie Schmidt, selects the recipient of this award from the list of scholarship winners.

## A Scholarship applicant must fall into one of the following categories:

- 1: A child or grandchild of an 11th Armored Cavalry Trooper who was Killed In Action (KIA) in Vietnam or Cambodia.
- 2: A child or grandchild of a deceased life member of the 11th ACVVC.
- 3: A child or grandchild of a current life member of the 11th ACVVC in good standing.
- 4: "Child" is defined as a natural born, adopted or step-child.
- 5: "Grandchild" is defined as a natural born, adopted or step-grandchild.

## Additional Criteria

- 1: The applicant must have maintained a minimum Grade Point Average of 3.0 during the last two years of high school (or college if applicable).
- 2: The applicant must be a high school graduate (by fall semester 2021).
- 3: Graduate and doctoral level students are not eligible.

2021 scholarship winners will receive an award of \$3000. The Colonel Charles L. Schmidt Leadership Scholarship award winner will receive \$5000. All scholarship awards are sent directly to the school the recipient is attending.

## Protests

A topic of increasing interest and concern during the evenings BOGSATs were the anti-war protests which exploded in 1969-70. We read in Stars and Stripes of the growing resistance to the war by men and women about our age in the streets of our Nation.

State-side protests came closer to home, when we began receiving letters from recently departed friends describing their unpleasant experiences at the hands of protestors when arriving at airports in the States. Some of my hooch-mates had strong feelings against the protestors, I had no real opinion one way or the other. Indian Country kept my focus.

Nine months later, when I arrived at San Francisco International at the end of my tour in Vietnam, my opinion changed radically.

As the "Freedom Bird" landed and was taxying to the arrival gate, the Captain keyed the Public Address system and welcomed us home. He went on to say that we should be aware there was a group of anti-war protestors at the gate. He further mentioned there were 'municipal authorities' in the gate area and that there should not be any 'trouble'. That sounded a little forbidding.

No one on the plane took it too seriously, after all we were all returning from combat - how bad can it be? I was focused on my next flight which was going to Chicago, then Columbus and Susie.

After the engines were shut-down at the gate, we could hear muffled chants from the protestors. The ruckus grew louder as the stewardess opened the doors to the jetway exit. We left the plane, and shortly

stepped into a noisy gaggle of hairy, smelly, scrawny men and a few women who were chanting something and giving us the Nazi salute.

We all looked at them as if they had just arrived from Mars, such strange looking people. I thought them foolish, even funny. Then it got ugly as the protestors ran in amongst us as we walked out of the jetway into the gate area. I had my head down and was headed towards the Chicago gate.

One of the Martians came very close to me, looked me straight in the face and screamed, "How many women did you kill, mother f-er?" No one had ever spoken to me like that before or since, and I went after him with everything I had. My hat flew one way, the book I had went another.

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## 11th Armored Cavalry's Veterans of Vietnam & Cambodia

### Scholarship Application (effective October 1, 2020)

Please review Scholarship Guide at [www.11thcavnam.com/scholar.html](http://www.11thcavnam.com/scholar.html)

Application Deadline May 15<sup>th</sup>, 2021



**IMPORTANT: A PERSON WHO HAS BEEN AWARDED AN 11<sup>TH</sup> ACVVC SCHOLARSHIP IS NOT ELIGIBLE TO APPLY AGAIN.**

**Students working on advanced degrees (master's, doctoral) are not eligible to apply.**

Applicant's full name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant's social security number: \_\_\_\_\_ E mail address: \_\_\_\_\_

Street address: \_\_\_\_\_ Apt./Unit # \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_ Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

**Applicant's Status:**  Child  Grandchild of a current life member of the 11<sup>th</sup> ACVVC.  
 Child  Grandchild of a deceased life member of the 11<sup>th</sup> ACVVC.  
 Child  Grandchild of an 11th ACR veteran who was killed in action in Vietnam or Cambodia.

Applicant's Sponsor (11<sup>th</sup> Cav Veteran): Full name: \_\_\_\_\_ E mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsor's 11<sup>th</sup> Cav unit in Vietnam: \_\_\_\_\_ Dates in Vietnam \_\_\_\_\_ 11thACVVC member# \_\_\_\_\_

Name and Address of College or Trade School you plan to attend: What is your major? \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

#### Schools and Colleges Attended (10<sup>th</sup> Grade to Present)

Name \_\_\_\_\_ City, State \_\_\_\_\_ Dates (From/To) \_\_\_\_\_

What was your High School GPA? \_\_\_\_\_ College GPA (if applicable)? \_\_\_\_\_

You must attach a copy of your grade transcripts from your last 2 yrs. of High School or College.

**You must have at least a 3.0 Grade Point Average to apply for a scholarship.**

Briefly tell us about your extra-curricular and volunteer activities (attach separate sheet if necessary):

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I, the undersigned verify the answers given above are true and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I give my permission for a copy of my high school/college grade transcripts to be submitted with this application.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Applicant                          Printed Name                          Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Sponsor Veteran or Guardian                          Printed Name                          Date

Please send your completed application and grade transcripts to:

Mike "Doc" Rafferty, 11<sup>th</sup> ACVVC Scholarship Chairman, PO Box 13188, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88013

Email: [platoonmedic36@gmail.com](mailto:platoonmedic36@gmail.com)

# 2020 Summary of Motions

Motion 2020-0717A Trooper of the Year Plaque

Motion 2020-0717B table the motion 2017017A

Motion 2020-0723A "Taking Fire" Book

Motion 2020-0723B Archival Digitizing of Slides

Motion 2020-0723C Postage Stamps for mailing TR

Motion 2020-0725 Spurs, Straps and Lapel Pins

Motion 2020-0804 Blackhorse Mask

Motion 2020-0826A Secretary Minutes

Motion 2020-0826B Treasurer's Report

Motion 2020-0826C Membership Report

Motion 2020-0826D Operation Embrace Report

Motion 2020-0826E Memorial Report

Motion 2020-0826F Scholarship and Raffle reports

Motion 2020-0826G Chaplain's Report

Motion 2020-0826H Life Membership Cost

Motion 2020-0826I Converting certain Annual Members to Life Membership

Motion 2020-0826J President's Report

Motion 2020-0829A Waive reading of the 2019 Minutes

Motion 2020-0908 Expense Reimbursement

Motion 2020-1109 Secretary Minutes

1. Ollie Pickral has made the following motion and Frank Church seconded the motion:

Motion 2020-0717A Trooper of the Year Plaque.

**"Make the attached template Pickral-Artwork-Rev. 1 from DIY Awards as the official 11 ACVVC Trooper of the Year Award for presentation each year to a deserving Blackhorse Trooper."**

The vote was as follows:

Pete Walter .....No

Frank Church .....Yes

Ollie Pickral .....Yes

Greg Mason.....No

Mike Rafferty.....Yes

Bob Moreno .....Yes

Bill Karabinos .....Yes

The Motion Passed

2. Pete Water has made the following motion and Greg Mason seconded the motion:

Motion 2020-0717B table the motion 2020-0717A

**"Table the Motion 2020-0717A until the Officers Meeting on Wednesday, August 26"**

The vote is as follows:

Pete Walter .....Yes

Frank Church .....No

Ollie Pickral .....No

Greg Mason.....Yes

Mike Rafferty.....No

Bob Moreno .....No

Bille Karabinos.....Yes

The motion failed to pass.

3. Pete Walter made the following motion and Greg Mason seconded the motion:

Motion 2020-0723A "Taking Fire" Book

**"The 11th ACVVC will spend no more than \$750 to buy two cases of "Taking Fire!" from McFarland Publishing."**

The Motion was withdrawn

4. Pete Walter has made the following motion which Greg Mason has seconded:

Motion 2020-0723B Archival Digitizing of Slides

**"The 11th ACVVC will spend no more than \$340 to digitally archive ~340 photographic transparencies at a cost not to exceed \$340."**

The motion passed unanimously.

5. Pete Walter has made the following motion and Greg Mason has seconded the motion:

Motion 2020-0723C Postage Stamps for mailing TR

**"The 11th ACVVC will reimburse Peter L. Walter \$110 for the purchase of 200 (2 rolls) of \$0.55 postage stamps."**

The motion passed unanimously.

6. Pete Walter has made the following motion which Greg Mason seconds.

Motion 2020-0725 Spurs, Straps and Lapel Pins

**"The 11th ACVVC e authorizes Quarter Master Jerry Beamon to order twenty-four (24) pairs of regulation spurs at a cost of \$600 and fifty (50) lapel pin spurs at a cost of \$200, a total expenditure of \$800."**

The motion passed unanimously.

7. Pete Walter has made the following motion and Greg Mason seconded the motion:

Motion 2020-0804 Blackhorse Mask

**"The 11th ACVVC authorizes QM Jerry Beamon to order 200 Blackhorse face masks at \$7 each."**

The motion passed unanimously.

(Editor's Note: Motions 0826A through 0826G dealt with the routine acceptance of Committee Chairman's reports. As all were passed unanimously, the record of the votes is not shown.)

8. The following motion was made by Ollie Pickral and seconded by Bill Karabinos:

Motion 2020-0826A Secretary's Minutes

**"Dispense with the reading of the minutes and accept the Secretary's minutes of the Board meeting held March 17, 2020."**

Motion 2020-0826B Treasurer's report

"Accept the Treasurer's report for year to date 2020 as present-

- ed.'
- Motion 2020-0826C Membership report  
"Accept the Membership report as presented."
- Motion 2020-0826D Operation Embrace report  
"Accept the Operation Embrace report as presented."
- Motion 2020-0826E Memorial report  
"Accept the Memorial report as presented."
- Motion 2020-0826F Scholarship and Raffle reports  
"Accept the Scholarship and Raffle reports as presented"
- Motion 2020-0826G Chaplain's Report  
"Accept the Chaplain's Report as presented."
- 9.** The following motion was made by Mike Rafferty and seconded by Bob Moreno.
- Motion 2020-0826H Life Membership Cost  
**"Reduce the Life Membership cost from \$100 to \$50."**
- The vote was as follows:
- |                      |     |
|----------------------|-----|
| Pete Walter .....    | No  |
| Frank Church .....   | Yes |
| Ollie Pickral .....  | Yea |
| Greg Mason.....      | Yes |
| Bob Moreno .....     | Yes |
| Mike Rafferty.....   | Yes |
| Bill Karabinos ..... | Yes |
- The motion passed.
- 10.** The following motion was made by Bill Karabinos and seconded by Mike Rafferty.
- Motion 2020-0826I Converting certain Annual Members to Life Membership  
**"Any Annual Member who has paid \$50 or more in annual membership fees over the years will be converted to Life Membership."**
- The vote was as follows:
- |                      |     |
|----------------------|-----|
| Pete Walter .....    | No  |
| Frank Church.....    | Yes |
| Ollie Pickral .....  | Yea |
| Greg Mason.....      | Yes |
| Bob Moreno .....     | Yes |
| Mike Rafferty.....   | Yes |
| Bill Karabinos ..... | Yes |
- The motion passed.
- 11.** The following motion was made by Mike Rafferty and seconded by Bill Karabinos.
- Motion 2020-0826J President's report  
**"Accept the President's report as presented."**
- The vote was as follows:
- |                     |        |
|---------------------|--------|
| Pete Walter .....   | Yes    |
| Frank Church.....   | Yes    |
| Ollie Pickral ..... | Absent |
| Greg Mason.....     | Yes    |
- Bob Moreno .....Yes  
Mike Rafferty.....Yes  
Bill Karabinos .....Yes
- The motion passed.
- 12.** The following motion was made by Allen Hathaway and seconded by Larry Snyder:
- Motion 2020-0829A Waive reading of the 2019 Membership Meeting minutes  
**"Waive reading of the 2019 Membership Meeting minutes and approve the minutes"**
- The motion passed unanimously.
- 13.** Pete Walter made the following motion that was seconded by Bill Karabinos:
- Motion 2020-0908 Expense Reimbursement  
**"The 11th ACVVC Treasurer shall reimburse the President the amount of \$559.51 for expenses incurred as President of the 11th ACVVC."**
- The vote was as follows:
- |                      |     |
|----------------------|-----|
| Pete Walter .....    | Yes |
| Frank Church .....   | Yes |
| Ollie Pickral .....  | No  |
| Bob Moreno .....     | Yes |
| Mike Rafferty.....   | Yes |
| Bill Karabinos ..... | Yes |
| Greg Mason.....      | Yes |
- The Motion passed.
- 14.** The following motion was made by Bill Karabinos and seconded by Mike Rafferty.
- Motion 2020-1109 Secretary's Minutes  
**"Dispense with the reading of the minutes and accept the Secretary's minutes of the Board meeting held August 26, 2020."**
- The Motion passed unanimously.
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- ## PROTESTS from page
- He ran like a scrawny rabbit.
- As I was about to get my hands on him, I was jarred to a dead-halt in mid-stride, by the massive black arms of a huge San Francisco Cop who had wrapped me in a bear-hug. My antagonist scurried off among scattering chairs and tables and blended into the crowd.
- I did not resist and the cop walked me up the jetway away from the protestors gently holding my arm. As we reached the end of the jetway the cop said sadly, "They don't know what they are saying, Captain." Then he released me and put his hand on my right shoulder. He looked down at me an apologetic look on his face, and with genuine sincerity and, "Welcome home, sir."

Dave Porter

## HURT FEELINGS REPORT

For use of this form, see FM-22-102: the proponent agency is TRADOC

### DATA REQUIRED BY THE PRIVACY ACT OF 1974

AUTHORITY: 5 USC 301, Departmental Regulations; 10 USC 3013, Secretary of the Army and E.O. 9397 (SSN)  
PRINCIPAL PURPOSE: To assist whiners in documenting hurt feelings, and to provide leaders with a list of soldiers who require additional Counseling, NCO leadership and extra duty.  
ROUTINE USES: For subordinate leader development IAW FM 22-102. Leaders and whiners should use this form as necessary.  
DISCLOSURE: Disclosure is voluntary, but repeated disclosure may result in a DA Form 779-1A, Report of Wall to Wall Counseling

### PART I – ADMINISTRATIVE DATA

A. WHINER'S NAME (Last, First, MI)	B. RANK/GRADE	C. SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER	D. DATE OF REPORT
E. ORGANIZATION		F. NAME & TITLE OF PERSON FILLING OUT THIS FORM	

### PART II – INCIDENT REPORT

A. DATE FEELINGS WERE HURT	B. TIME OF HURT FEELINGS	C. LOCATION OF HURTFUL INCIDENT	D. NCO OR OFFICER SYMPATHETIC TO WHINER
E. NAME OF REAL MAN/WOMAN WHO HURT YOUR SENSITIVE FEELINGS		F. RANK/GRADE	G. ORGANIZATION (if different from 1e above)

### PART III - INJURY – (Mark all that apply)

A. WHICH EAR WERE THE HURTFUL WORDS SPOKEN INTO? <input type="checkbox"/> LEFT <input type="checkbox"/> RIGHT <input type="checkbox"/> BOTH	B. IS THERE PERMANENT FEELING DAMAGE? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> MAYBE
C. DO YOU REQUIRE A "TISSUE" FOR TEARS? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> MULTIPLE _____	D. HAS THIS RESULTED IN A TRAUMATIC BRAIN INJURY? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> MAYBE

### PART IV – REASON FOR FILING THIS REPORT (Mark all that apply)

I am thin skinned	The Army needs to fix my problems	Two beers is not enough
I am a wimp	My feelings are easily hurt	My hands should be in my pockets
I have woman/man-like hormones	I didn't sign up for this	I was not offered a post brief
I am a crybaby	I was told that I am not a hero	Someone requested a post brief
I want my mommy	The weather is too cold	All of the above and more

### PART V – NARRATIVE (Tell us in your own sissy words how your feelings were hurt)

(Large empty box for narrative)

### PART VI - AUTHENTICATION

A. PRINTED NAME OF REAL MAN/WOMAN	B. SIGNATURE	C. PRINTED NAME OF WHINER	D. SIGNATURE
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We, as the Army, take hurt feelings seriously. If you don't have someone who can give you a hug and make things all better, please let us know and we promptly dispatch a "hugger" to you ASAP. In the event we are unable to find you a "hugger" we will notify the fire department and request that they send fire personnel to your location. If you are in need of supplemental support, we will make every reasonable effort to provide a "blanket", a "binky" and/or a bottle if you so desire.



# Blackhorse Women's News

By Sheryl Myers, Women's Group Co-coordinator

Dear Members and Supporters of the 11th ACVVC,

Well welcome to 2021! To say we are really looking forward to being with you all in Dallas, is an understatement !! So, the Blackhorse Women's Group is already putting plans together for our events at the reunion.

■ Cherry and her team have now sent out 520 Prayer Shawls since this project's inception.

■ Your purchase of Blackhorse Totes has continued throughout the year, providing

funds to contribute to the 11th ACVC Scholarship Fund. Thank You !

Look for the order form in your *Thunder Run*.

■ Our group funded 21 "Wreaths Across America" wreaths for placement at Arlington National Cemetery, in honor of the 11th ACR KIA buried there.

■ In Remembrance of 11th ACR KIA - Three more memorials are included in this issue. The Blackhorse Women's Group would like to send our heart-felt thanks to all the families who have placed memorials:

Laurie Honican, Robert Slusarski, Terri Berry, Floyd & Janet Green, John & Marie (Heath) Prescott, Darrell & Rosalee Zipp, and Mary & Roger Karels.

If you would like to be a part of this project, contact Sheryl at: sheryl.e.myers@gmail.com or call 571-721-9186 . Our KIA deserve to be Remembered and Honored.

We wish you a Healthy, Joyful, and Adventurous New Year! See you Dallas !!! Love, Lajaunda, Marguerite, Cherry, Cathi, Renee, Jan, Kathy and Sheryl.



Headstones of Clinton Shaver (left), William Pasch (center) and Robert James Hall (right).

## Blackhorse Women's Group Offers Tote Bags For Sale!



Handy and custom made tote bags. These two colored black and red heavy duty totes are offered for \$10 each, plus postage/shipping as follows: **1-3 bags \$7.00; 4-8 bags \$14.50.**

Remember this is a fundraiser that helps support the group's Prayer Shawl and Wreaths Across America projects.

Please complete the order form below and mail, with payment to:

**Marguerite Austin, 4189 11th Ave. SE, Willmar, MN 56201**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Shipping address (all bags in an order will be shipped to one address.)

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

Provide your Email address and phone number should we need to contact you about your order.

Email \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Number of bags \_\_\_\_\_ x \$10.00 each = .....\$ \_\_\_\_\_

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*Thank you for supporting the Blackhorse Women's Group!*



# Fiddler's Green

We are sorry to report the following Troopers have taken the journey to Fiddler's Green. We send our heartfelt sympathy and sincere condolences to their families and friends. We honor their service to our country and to our regiment by posting their names. Over 500 U.S. newspapers are checked daily for the keywords "11th Cavalry" or "11th Armored Cavalry". Information is then posted on our website to allow us to post notices. Please check the "Funeral Honor Guard check daily" at [www.11thcavnam.com](http://www.11thcavnam.com)

**James A. Abel**, E Troop, 2/11 (1966-1967) passed away on August 2, 2020. He was a LIFE member of the 11th ACVVC and resided in Clute, TX. He was laid to rest in Houston National Cemetery, Houston, TX.

**Jimmy C. Adams**, M Company, 3/11 (1968-1969) passed away on December 10, 2020. He was a LIFE member of the 11th ACVVC and resided in Lake City, FL. He was laid to rest in Blue Grass Memorial Gardens And Mousoleum, Nicholasville, KY.

**Miguel O. Badia**, Air Cavalry Troop (1971-1972) passed away on July 29, 2013. He was a LIFE member of the 11th ACVVC and resided in Salida, CA. He was laid to rest in San Joaquin Valley National Cemetery, Santa Nella, CA.

**Jacob D. Barnhart Jr**, H Company, 2/11 (1968-1969) passed away on January 5, 2021. He was a member of the 11th ACVVC and resided in Girard, OH.

**Ernest W. Bayless**, E Troop, 2/11 (1967-1968) passed away on December 16, 2020. He was a LIFE member of the 11th ACVVC and resided in Wilmington, OH. He was laid to rest in Maple Grove Cemetery, Port William, OH.

**Lavern G. Bieker**, HHT REGT (1966-1967) passed away on November 15, 2020. He was a LIFE member of the 11th ACVVC and resided in Mc Cook, NE. He was laid to rest in Ft. Mcpherson National Cemetery, Maxwell, NE.

**Russell W. Boston**, Howitzer Battery, 1/11 (1966-1967) passed away on February 13, 2020. He was a LIFE member of the 11th ACVVC and resided in Oviedo, FL. He was laid to rest in Boston Hill Cemetery, Oviedo, FL. Russell was also a veteran of the Korean War.

**Johnny R. Bowlby**, HHT 3/11 (1967-1968) passed away on February 15, 2020. He was a LIFE member of the 11th ACVVC and resided in Citrus Heights, CA. He was laid to rest in Camellia Memorial Lawn Cemetery, Sacramento, CA.

**Dwayne L. Cole**, C Troop, 1/11 (1969-1970) passed away on May 1, 2019. He was a LIFE member of the 11th ACVVC and resided in Hinesville, GA. He was laid to rest in Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington, VA.

**James P. Cooke**, HHT, 1/11 (1969-1970) passed away on September 5, 2020. He was a LIFE member of the 11th ACVVC and resided in Hastings, NE. He was laid to rest in Sunset Memorial Gardens, Hastings, NE.

**Daniel S. Coyle**, H Company, 2/11 (1967-1969) passed away on April 25, 2020. He was a LIFE member of the 11th ACVVC and resided in Rohnert Park, CA. He was laid to rest in Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington, VA.

**Michael J. Davidson**, L Troop, 3/11 (1970-1971) passed away on September 21, 2020. He was a member of the 11th ACVVC and resided in Stanton, MI.

**Richard H. Deter**, HHT, 2/3 (1970) passed away on February 13, 2021. He was a LIFE member of the 11th ACVVC and resided in Arnold, Maryland.

**Lyle L. Edwards**, I Troop, 3/11 (1969-1970) passed away on January 6, 2021. He was a LIFE member of the 11th ACVVC and resided in Bloomington, IL.

**Augustus L. Elston**, L Troop, 3/11 (1969-1970) passed away on September 20, 2020. He was a LIFE member of the 11th ACVVC and resided in Alpine, AL. He was laid to rest in Alabama National Cemetery, Montevallo, AL.

**Lavern E. Feldt**, L Troop, 3/11 (1970-1971) passed away on May 18, 1998. He was a LIFE member of the 11th ACVVC and resided in Great Falls, MT.

**David B. Fortnam**, D Company, 1/11 (1970) passed away on February 11, 2021. He was a LIFE member of the 11th ACVVC and resided in Oriskany, NY.

**John M. French**, K Troop, 3/11 (1969-1970) passed away on March 28, 2020. He was a LIFE member of the 11th ACVVC and resided in Canfield, OH. He was laid to rest in Lake Park Cemetery, Youngstown, OH.

**Richard L. Glaspell**, HHT 2/11 (1966-1967) passed away on May 7, 2020. He was a LIFE member of the 11th ACVVC and resided in Concord, NC.

**Roy A. Griffith**, L Troop, 3/11 (1967) passed away on December 10, 2015. He was a member of the 11th ACVVC and resided in Minneapolis, MN. He was laid to rest in Ft. Snelling National Cemetery, Minneapolis, MN.

**William C. Hall**, Air Cavalry Troop (1968-1969) passed away on January 21, 2021. He was a

LIFE member of the 11th ACVVC and resided in Waterford, NY. He was laid to rest in the Gerald B. H. Solomon Saratoga National Cemetery, Schuylerville, NY.

**Marvin S. Hancock Jr**, 27th Engineer Bn (1966-1967) passed away on February 18, 2017. He was a LIFE member of the 11th ACVVC and resided in Pamplin, VA. He was laid to rest in Virginia Veterans Cemetery at Amelia, Amelia, VA.

**Michael E. Hayden**, A Troop, 1/11 (1967-1968) passed away on December 6, 2020. He was a LIFE member of the 11th ACVVC and resided in Sandusky, OH. He was laid to rest in Floral Grove Cemetery, Pioneer, OH.

**John P. Haynes**, HHT, 2/11 (1970) passed away on January 29, 2021. He was a LIFE member of the 11th ACVVC and resided in Marceline, MO.

**Jock A. Hendricks**, H Company, 2/11 (1968-1969) passed away on November 20, 2020. He was a LIFE member of the 11th ACVVC and resided in Clinton, IA.

**Dean H. Hewitt**, 409th Radio Research Det (1968-1969, 1970-1971) passed away on May 24, 2018. He was a LIFE member of the 11th ACVVC and resided in Tampa, FL.

**Solomon Jenkins**, K Troop, 3/11 (1967-1968) passed away on December 4, 2020. He was a LIFE member of the 11th ACVVC and resided in Woodstock, GA. He was laid to rest in Georgia Veterans Memorial Cemetery, Milledgeville, GA.

**Richard K. Johnson**, E Troop, 2/11 (1970-1971) passed away on October 18, 2020. He was a LIFE member of the 11th ACVVC and resided in Tulsa, OK. He was laid to rest in Rose Hill Memorial Park, Tulsa, OK.

**Joseph P. Lade**, I Troop, 3/11 (1968-1969) passed away on September 5, 2020. He was a LIFE member of the 11th ACVVC and resided in Oconto, WI. He was laid to rest in Evergreen Cemetery, Oconto, WI.

**Robert E. Lambdin**, Air Cavalry Troop – ARP (1969-1970) passed away on February 7, 2021. He was a LIFE member of the 11th ACVVC and resided in Knoxville, TN. He was laid to rest in Chattanooga National Cemetery, Chattanooga, TN.

**Marvin K. Lane**, HHT REGT (1968-1969) passed away on February 19, 2017. He was a member of the 11th ACVVC and resided in White Pigeon, MI. He was laid to rest in Ft. Custer National Cemetery, Augusta, MI.

**Howard R. Lytle**, HHT REGT (1968-1969) passed away on October 15, 2020. He was a LIFE member of the 11th ACVVC and resided in Harrison, ID. He was laid to rest in Washington State Veterans Cemetery, Medical Lake, WA.

**Michael J. Malfara**, L Troop, 3/11 (1967) passed away on January 9, 2018. He was a LIFE member of the 11th ACVVC and resided in Wes Des Moines, IA.

**Henry L. Manuel**, Howitzer Battery, 3/11 (1969-1970) passed away on February 16, 2014. He was a LIFE member of the 11th ACVVC and resided in Spanaway, WA. He was laid to rest in Mission Memorial Park, Seaside, CA.

**Shelby F. Mathews**, I Troop, 3/11 (1969-1970) passed away on April 22, 2020. He was a LIFE member of the 11th ACVVC and resided in London, KY. He was laid to rest in London City Cemetery, London, KY.

**John D. McDannel**, HHT 1/11 and A Troop 1/11 (1967-1968) passed away on July 14, 2018. He was a LIFE member of the 11th ACVVC and resided in Sierra Vista, AZ. He was laid to rest in Southern Arizona Veterans Memorial Cemetery, Sierra Vista, AZ.

**John M. McGuire**, C Troop, 1/11 (1968-1969) passed away on December 22, 2020. He was a LIFE member of the 11th ACVVC and resided in Grapevine, TX. He was laid to rest in Sacred Heart Cemetery, Greeley, NE.

**Anthony C. Mesaros**, Howitzer Battery, 2/11 (1967-1968) passed away on December 15, 2020. He was a LIFE member of the 11th ACVVC and resided in Savannah, GA. He was laid to rest in Greenwich Cemetery, Savannah, GA.

**David R. Miller**, F Troop, 2/11 (1969-1970) passed away on December 31, 2020. He was a LIFE member of the 11th ACVVC and resided in Duncanville, TX.

**Jimmie D. Morris**, C Troop, 1/11 (1969) passed away on December 23, 2020. He was a LIFE member of the 11th ACVVC and resided in Farmington, NM.

**Kenneth E. Musick**, A Troop, 1/11 and HHT, 1/11 (1968-1969) passed away on January 10, 2021. He was a LIFE member of the 11th ACVVC and resided in Bristol, VA. He was laid to rest in Forest Hills Memory Gardens, Abingdon, VA.

**Kenny G. Naidas**, G Troop, 2/11 (1971-1972) passed away on December 27, 2020. He was a LIFE member of the 11th ACVVC and resided in Santa Rosa Beach, FL. At his request, his ashes were scattered in the Pacific Ocean.

**Rodney D. Norris**, HHT, 3/11 (1970-1971) passed away on June 15, 2018. He was a LIFE member of the 11th ACVVC and resided in Prineville, OR

**Gilbert P. Ortiz**, C Troop, 1/11 (1966-1967) passed away on October 5, 2016. He was a LIFE member of the 11th ACVVC and resided in Albuquerque, NM. He was laid to rest in Santa Fe National Cemetery, Santa Fe, NM.

**Ronald E. Pearl**, HHT Regt (1970) passed away on September 26, 2020. He was a LIFE member of the 11th ACVVC and resided in Danville, CA.

**Kenneth E. Plummer**, H Company, 2/11 (1967-1968) passed away on December 3, 2020. He was a LIFE member of the 11th ACVVC and resided in Oak Ridge, TN. He was laid to rest in Crown Crest Memorial Park, Hyde, PA.

**Robert S. Pratt**, K Troop, 3/11 (1970-1971) passed away on September 22, 2020. He was a LIFE member of the 11th ACVVC and resided in Pickerington, OH. He was laid to rest in the Gerald B. H. Solomon Saratoga National Cemetery, Schuylerville, NY.

**Robert G. Prucha**, I Troop, 3/11 (1966-1967) passed away on November 10, 2019. He was a LIFE member of the 11th ACVVC and resided in Cedar Rapids, IA. He was laid to rest in Saint Johns Cemetery, Cedar Rapids, IA.

**Richard L. Quinn**, HHT REGT (1970-1970) passed away on December 14, 2020. He was a LIFE member of the 11th ACVVC and resided in Belton, TX. He was laid to rest in Central Texas State Veterans Cemetery, Killeen, TX.

**Calvin J. Reese**, HHT, 3/11 (1965-1966) passed away on January 29, 2021. He was a LIFE member of the 11th ACVVC and resided in Richardson, TX.

**Nikolaus Reschethnjak**, HHT, 2/11 (1971-1971) passed away on June 5, 2018. He was a LIFE member of the 11th ACVVC and resided in Merritt Island, FL. He was laid to rest in Cape Canaveral National Cemetery, Mims, FL.

**Gordon K. Richmond**, 919th Engineer Company (1969-1970) passed away on August 9, 2020. He was a LIFE member of the 11th ACVVC and resided in Tacoma, WA. He was laid to rest in Tahoma National Cemetery, Kent, WA.

**Johnny Riley**, M Company, 3/11 (1969-1970) passed away on December 14, 2020. He was a LIFE member of the 11th ACVVC and resided in Georgetown, KY. He was laid to rest in Blue Grass Memorial Gardens, Nicholasville, KY.

**Edward W. Rogers**, Air Cavalry Troop (1966-1967) passed away on February 27, 2020. He was a LIFE member of the 11th ACVVC and resided in West Palm Beach, FL.

**Arthur S. Roller**, H Company, 2/11 (1967-1967) passed away on August 31, 2017. He was a

LIFE member of the 11th ACVVC and resided in Mayflower, AR. He was laid to rest in Southern Arizona Veterans Memorial Cemetery, Sierra Vista, AZ.

**John L. Stanley**, 409th RRD (1966-1967) passed away on November 8, 2020. He was a LIFE member of the 11th ACVVC and resided in Oberlin, KS. He was laid to rest in Oberlin Cemetery, Oberlin, KS.

**Billy Stevens**, L Troop, 3/11 (1966-1967) passed away on July 19, 2020. He was a LIFE member of the 11th ACVVC and resided in Friendship, TN. He was laid to rest in Bellvernon Cemetery, Friendship, TN.

**Gary L. Terry**, HHT REGT (1969-1970) passed away on December 29, 2020. He was a LIFE member of the 11th ACVVC and resided in Huffman, TX.

**James D. Thompson**, F Troop, 2/11 (1969-1970) passed away on November 12, 2020. He was a LIFE member of the 11th ACVVC and resided in Pevely, MO. He was laid to rest in Thompson Cemetery, Gordonville, MO.

**Gary W. Toler**, I Troop, 2/11 (1967-1968) passed away on May 2, 2016. He was a member of the 11th ACVVC and resided in Thompsonville, IL. He was laid to rest in Alto Pass Cemetery, Alto Pass, IL.

**Santo C. Triolo**, HHT, 1/11 (1967-1968) passed away on December 23, 2020. He was a LIFE member of the 11th ACVVC and resided in Brick, NJ. He was laid to rest in Monmouth Memorial Park, Tinton Falls, NJ.

**James R. Turner**, HHT, 1/11 (1966-1968) and HHT, 2/11 (1969-1972) passed away on April 28, 2017. He was a LIFE member of the 11th ACVVC and resided in Washington, UT. He was laid to rest in Tonaquint Cemetery, Saint George, UT.

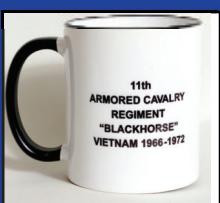
**Robert W. Vest**, F Troop, 2/11 (1969-1970) passed away on October 9, 2020. He was a LIFE member of the 11th ACVVC and resided in Lancaster, PA. He was laid to rest in Indiantown Gap National Cemetery, Annville, PA.

**Garth T. Waters**, L Troop, 3/11 (1970-1971) passed away on March 14, 2017. He was a member of the 11th ACVVC and resided in Orland, CA.

**Donald E. Watson**, 398th Transportation Det (1971-1971) passed away on April 20, 2020. He was a LIFE member of the 11th ACVVC and resided in Amherst, MA. He was laid to rest in Massachusetts Veteran Memorial Cemetery, Agawam, MA.

**William H. Weller**, Air Cavalry Troop – LRRP/ARP (1970-1971) passed away on October 29, 2020. He was a LIFE member of the 11th ACVVC and resided in Melbourne, KY. He was laid to rest in Arlington Memorial Gardens, Mount Healthy, OH.

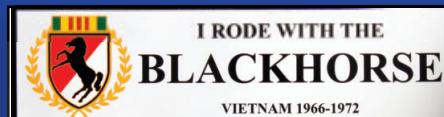
# The 11th Armored Cavalry's Veterans of Vietnam and Cambodia QM Store



#1 Coffee Mug \$15.00



#2 Key Ring \$6.00



#3 Bumper Sticker \$3.00



#4 Window Sticker \$3.00



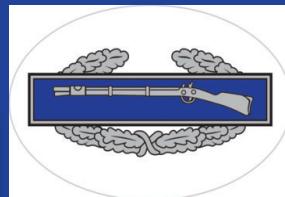
#7 Blackhorse Patch Colored \$5.00



#8 Mouse Pad \$12.00



#10 Web Belt with buckle \$25.00



#9 CIB car magnet, 3"x4" \$6.00



#13 License Plate, Blackhorse \$9.00



#11 Flag, Indoor/Outdoor \$60.00



#16 Tote Bag, Embroidered \$22.00



#17 Blackhorse Pin \$5.00



#14 License Plate Frame, Black w/white letters \$13.00



#15 Attache Case \$30.00



#18 11th ACR Regimental Crest \$5.00



#19 Blackhorse Cavalry Pin \$5.00



#26 Large Magnetic Patch (8" x 7 3/4") \$7.00



#23 Leather Gear Bag \$45.00



#20 Vietnam Blackhorse Pin, Wreath \$5.00



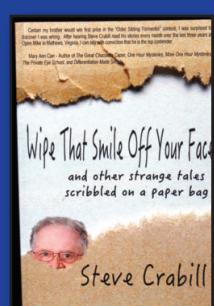
#21 Small Magnetic Patch (5"x4 3/4") \$5.00



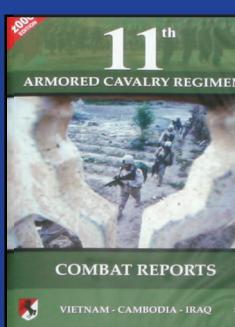
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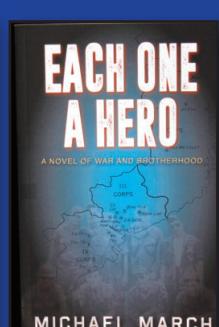
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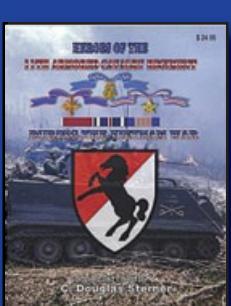
#27 Book, "Wipe That Smile Off Your Face" \$16.00



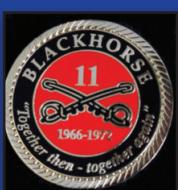
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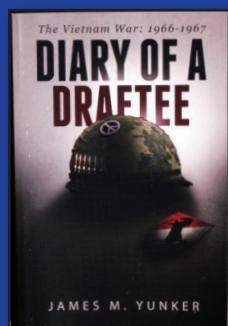
#31 Book, "Each One A Hero" \$20.00



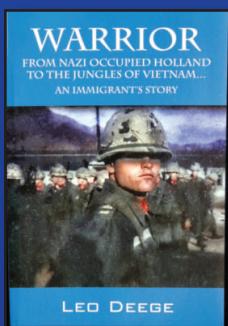
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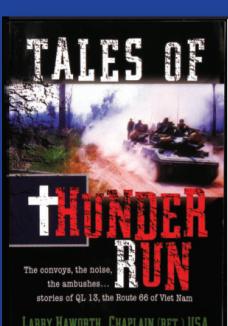
#25 Blackhorse Coin \$15.00



#32 Book: Diary of a Draftee \$22.00



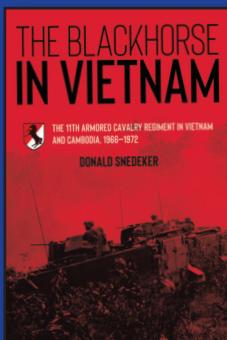
#35 Book, "Warrior" \$16.00



#37 Book, "Tales of Thunder Run" by Chaplain Larry Haworth \$11.00



#30 Car Flag \$25.00



#34 "The Blackhorse in Vietnam" \$25.00



#29 Ladies Necklace \$18.00



#36. Sweatshirts w/ BH patch, \$28.00



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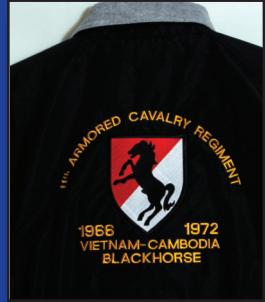
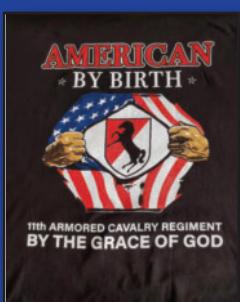
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#38 Poplin Hats \$17.00

#40 Specialty T-Shirt: sizes S, M, L, 2X, 3X, 4 X \$20



#39 a/b T-Shirt, Light Gray & Green \$20.00



#43 Windbreaker, black w/snap front & BH Insignia & VN Ribbon, \$35.00



#41 Light (A) or Dark (B) Denim Shirt, w/BH & VN Ribbon \$35.00



#42 Blackhorse Jacket (lined), 100% Nylon \$95.00



# From the Quartermaster...

Jerry Beamon

Hello Troopers and Troopers Wives!

Jan and I hope everyone had a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Our prayers are for all of you to be safe during these trying times with the COVID-19 going on.

Just think, it's time to get registered for another great reunion. This time it's in the great state of TEXAS at the Hilton Anatole Hotel in fabulous Dallas, Texas, August 25th – 29th, 2021.

You can go ahead and make your reservation at the hotel, and you can cancel it anytime if you need to. And get your registration in early before the cut-off date.

Hey all you troopers that are in the East Texas area, we will be having the East Texas Round-up again this year at the same place unless the COVID-19 has other plans for us. You can contact Jan

Beamon for further details. Her email address is [janwowwe@gmail.com](mailto:janwowwe@gmail.com) or phone number is 903-780-5621. Please leave a message if she is not able to answer. Mark your calendar for May 7th-8th 2021, Gladewater, TX. Friday afternoon fish fry begins around 4:00pm so come on by and Saturday Lunch will start about 11:30. We would like ALL our troopers in the 2-3 hour driving time to come on and have a meal with us.

Those troopers who received their Spur Certificate, DON'T forget we have them listed in the Quartermaster Store as well as the Spur Pins so please check us out.

Don't forget your Boots and Hats!! Its Texas again this year.

Hope to see everyone in Dallas in August...

Allons,

Jerry

## Newsletter Deadlines

Due dates to submit articles for *Thunder Run*

1st Quarter .....	Jan 1
2nd Quarter .....	Apr 1
3rd Quarter .....	Jul 1
4th Quarter .....	Oct 1

All submissions for publication must be sent to: Peter L. Walter, 8 Tallowood Drive, Westampton, NJ 08060-3721; email [basepiece70@verizon.net](mailto:basepiece70@verizon.net).

## MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

### 11th ARMORED CAVALRY'S VETERANS OF VIETNAM AND CAMBODIA

Membership is open to all troopers who served with or were attached to the 11th Armored Cavalry Regiment while in the countries of Vietnam or Cambodia from August 1966 thru March 1972. Membership is also open to the wives, parents and children of our Troopers killed in action.

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

CITY/STATE/ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

UNIT \_\_\_\_\_ DATES: FROM \_\_\_\_\_ TO \_\_\_\_\_  
(Troop,Sqdn) (Mo/Yr) (Mo/Yr)

SER NO RANK (during tour) \_\_\_\_\_ SSN NO \_\_\_\_\_

OTHER INFORMATION \_\_\_\_\_

TYPE MEMBERSHIP:  NEW  RENEWAL MEMBERSHIP NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_  
 ANNUAL (\$15)  LIFE (\$50)

IN ADDITION, PLEASE ACCEPT MY TAX DEDUCTIBLE CONTRIBUTION FOR \$ \_\_\_\_\_

I authorize the release of my address/phone number to other Troopers who served with the 11th ACR  
(Sign) \_\_\_\_\_

Visa  Mastercard Card # \_\_\_\_\_ Exp. Date \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Please make checks/money orders payable to: **11th ACVVC**. Mail this form with your check or money order (no cash) to: **11th ACVVC Membership, Ollie Pickral, 571 Ditchley Rd., Kilmarnock, VA 22482**.



# Quartermaster

ORDER FORM • 4thQtr 2020

11TH ARMORED CAVALRY'S VETERANS OF VIETNAM AND CAMBODIA

Item No.	Product Description	\$ Amt	Size	Qty	\$ Total
1. Coffee Mug, white, ceramic (glass) 11oz w/full color Blackhorse insignia .....	15.00	_____	_____	_____	_____
2. Key ring, Plastic .....	6.00	_____	_____	_____	_____
3. Bumper Sticker "I Rode With The Blackhorse" w/full color BH insignia .....	3.00	_____	_____	_____	_____
4. Window Sticker, full color BH insignia and Vietnam service ribbon .....	3.00	_____	_____	_____	_____
5. Hoodie Sweat Shirt.....	30.00	_____	_____	_____	_____
7. Blackhorse Shoulder Patch, Colored .....	5.00	_____	_____	_____	_____
8. Mouse Pads .....	12.00	_____	_____	_____	_____
9. CIB car magnet, 3"x4" .....	6.00	_____	_____	_____	_____
10. Belt: Military style 'web' trouser belt with Blackhorse buckle.....	25.00	_____	_____	_____	_____
11. Flag, indoor/outdoor 3'x5' with color insignia .....	60.00	_____	_____	_____	_____
13. License Plate, metal red & white background with crossed sabers & 11 .....	9.00	_____	_____	_____	_____
14. License Plate Frame, metal, black w/Blackhorse 11th US Cavalry in white .....	13.00	_____	_____	_____	_____
15. Attache Case w/shoulder strap 11.5" x 15.5" w/dir emb. BH insignia & VN rib .....	30.00	_____	_____	_____	_____
16. Tote Bag, red & black, 14x1x6 w/full color BH insignia and VN rib .....	22.00	_____	_____	_____	_____
17. Blackhorse Pin .....	5.00	_____	_____	_____	_____
18. 11th ACR Regimental Crest .....	5.00	_____	_____	_____	_____
19. Blackhorse Cavalry Pin, brass, 11 over crossed sabers .....	5.00	_____	_____	_____	_____
20. Vietnam Blackhorse Pin w/wreath.....	5.00	_____	_____	_____	_____
21. Small Magnetic Patch "Blackhorse" (5"x 4 3/4") .....	5.00	_____	_____	_____	_____
22. Overnight Bag.....	25.00	_____	_____	_____	_____
23. Leather Gear Bag w/Blackhorse Insignia and pull handle .....	45.00	_____	_____	_____	_____
25. Blackhorse Coin .....	15.00	_____	_____	_____	_____
26. Large Magnetic Patch "Blackhorse" (8" x 7 3/4") .....	7.00	_____	_____	_____	_____
27. Book, "Wipe That Smile Off Your Face" by Steve Crabil .....	16.00	_____	_____	_____	_____
28. Video: "Combat Reports" (DVD Only) .....	30.00	_____	_____	_____	_____
29. Ladies Necklace .....	18.00	_____	_____	_____	_____
30. Car Flag .....	25.00	_____	_____	_____	_____
31. Book, "Each One A Hero," by Michael Marsh .....	20.00	_____	_____	_____	_____
32. Book, "Diary of a Draftee," by: James M. Yunker .....	22.00	_____	_____	_____	_____
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