"THE IVY DRAGOONS DISPATCH"



Newsletter of the 3/8th Infantry, 4th Infantry Division - Vietnam War



President: Steve Edmunds

Volume XV

Ivy Dispatch Editors: Ken Howe & Levie Isaacks

Summer 2010

SEEKING INFO...

My father was a member of the 3/8 infantry in 1969. I remember hearing stories about the ambush in March. I do not however know what company he was in. His name was John A Holmes III and he was a medic. I'm fairly certain he was attached to HHC and then sent out with whomever was going out at the time. If you know anything about any of this I would love to hear something. Sadly he passed away 5 years ago and the stories are starting to fade. Any information is appreciated. Thank you Peter Holmes

Peter.Holmes1@us.army.mil

(Editor's Note: It was determined that John A. Holmes III served with A/ 3/8)

SEEKING INFO...

I am looking for Al Chernik , a medic with A Co 67-68. If anybody from A Co has info on him I would appreciate your help. Thanks Monte Doc Lunde doclunde@sbcglobal.net

President's Message...

First of all, I would like to extend my apologies to each of you for the delay in getting this issue of the Ivy Dragoons Dispatch in the mail. This delay is entirely my fault and I wish I had an excuse worthy of expressing. When I started it, it was dated Summer/2009....then quickly lapsed into Fall/2009. Before I knew it, it had become Winter/2010...then Spring/2010. The good news is that we continue to add new Brothers to our roster which has grown in excess of 925 Brothers who served in our battalion from 1966-1970 in RVN. On the downside, we continue to lose Brothers who have rejoined those that we lost so many years ago. As for our chapter within the National 4th Infantry Division Assoc, our membership represents about 20% of our roster...so we plenty of room to grow and carryon the heritage of our unit. The final planning stages of our 7th battalion reunion is in progress which will be held in Branson, MO during the summer of 2011. I wish the best that life can offer to each of you and your families. *Steve Edmunds*, C/3/8 RVN 5/67-5/68

Upcoming Reunion...

413th Vietnam Veterans Reunion Charlie Co 3/8th, 4th Infantry Division June 18 – 20, 2010 Where: 49'er Inn & Suites 330 W. Pearl Ave Jackson Hole, WY 83001

Room Rates: \$124.00 per night

A complimentary breakfast is served from 7:00 am - 10:00 am

Call for reservations: 1-800-451-2980 and provide our group number, #4572CS when making your reservations. Check out their website for additional information: <u>http://www.townsquareinns.com/49er-inn/</u>]Our block of rooms will be held until May 1, 2010

Point of Contact: Terry & Sue Jandron (P) 906-485-5936 (Email) sjan347@chartermi.net

Reunion...A Woman's Perspective...

We set out for Colorado Springs almost 12 hours behind schedule. One of us had hogged the desk, his laptop, the PC... I did what all good internet widows do, glared at the offender, went to sleep and ignored his timetable. The traffic was pretty light for a 4th of July weekend but I was still relieved when we pulled into the hotel parking lot on Monday. I saw a smiling face that I did not recognize and told Steve that he looked like one of ours. He was, it was Mike Daugherty and he walked over and introduced himself. He arrived early to do some sightseeing. Others had the same idea. I had a chance to talk with his wife, Elena, and she fit right in. They are a great team. The next day I spoke to Paul Mims, but he turned out to be Myron Gwyn wearing a baseball cap and 78 pounds lighter than he was in Nashville. He looks great.

On Tuesday and Wednesday, along with their husbands, Mary Ellen, Sandy Prince and I finished putting things together for the reunion and I have to say that I am very grateful. We were busy as always but it was great to see my old friends and meet new ones. We saw more young faces in the crowd this year; Kathy and Myron brought their son and nephew; Chuck and Carmen, their grandson; Jim and Helen Hill, their daughter and 2 of ther grandchildren; Evelyn and Jim, their grandson; Arty and Sharon (first timers), two of their grandsons; there were 3 generations of Isaac and Lucille's family; Betty and Rea, their son and his wife; and Wayne Jackson brought along his daughter.

I must mention several of the wives who were there for the 1st time because they came in and made themselves at home. When I requested recipes a few months ago, I was impressed with the response I got. Charlotte sent the most but Becky was the first one to respond. I also received a note from Carla Perez (Paul) along with her recipes and as soon as she walked in the door I recognized her wonderful spirit. I had so many offers for help that I couldn't accommodate everyone. Betty, Ginger and Mary Ellen helped to collect meal tickets, that Saturday was the 1st time I had a chance to eat with everyone else in a while. Mary McCarthy helped to sell raffle tickets again this year. Jean Shroeder and Pat Shlagel...we never got a chance to go walking, maybe next time.

The Lady Dragoons are the best sisters around and this year, again, I must say they made me proud. Charlotte said our opening prayer at the Ladies Social. Jennifer and Sandy reached out to Carolyn. The smile never left her husband's face in Nashville and having him share this experience with her was good for all of us. My southern sisters were helping me with the dialect, Sandra, Cathy and Kathy brought Claudia into the fold. I heard

she liked being one of the Babes. Carmen Sanchez walked in knowing no one and left with new friends. It was a joy to see Delia more relaxed this year. I did not spend any time with Rosemary but she had no trouble fitting in. I am sure Toni and Becky would have cracked that shell if she had one. Charlyne, thank you for making Amy feel comfortable and I promise the next time I'm in Texas or you come to Cali, we will meet for lunch. Diane, I have no excuse other than procrastination, I enjoyed our conversation in Vegas a few years ago, we need to set a lunch date and I am glad Sherlyn had you two to talk to. I spoke briefly with Teri Ann, nice woman, her husband enjoyed his time in Nashville and she wanted to experience his joy. Gloria McFadden passed along info about a book, the information will be on the Lady Dragoons site. We only had one glitch at our social. We pride ourselves on being great Babes...we accept everyone. All we ask is that if any men want to join us, they wear a nice dress or skirt, shaving is optional. Doc Nagl and Ed Goehring came in to discuss the scholarship fund. Ed forgot his dress but Doc rolled up his shorts and showed us some legs. Sue, thanks for allowing us to harass him. Maggie and Bill were a delight to have around. Bill, I hope the ribbing about your Spanglish didn't bother you. I live in Cali and I'm used to it. Our trio of C Company Li(y)ndas were present; Linda and Ross Degrave did a heck of a job on the American flag they crocheted and she has lost over 50 pounds. She's still insane so we'll keep her. In 2011 she can share her grandchildren's dare. Linda Marinese is enjoying retirement and rubbing it in. She is also expecting two more grandkids this year. Lynda McClelland will be studying theology this fall...we spent no time together this year and need to fix that. I, mistakenly, believed that her husband was one of the few without major hearing loss...that's all right Pat, I was going to ask the question he answered anyway, so thanks for the foresight. Carol and Fred, thanks for donating the outhouse and for reaching out to Viola. Jean and Gary...the smoked salmon was great. Lynne, you looked great as usual. I should be more gentle with Ken, but what fun would that be? Karin, I am glad you made it to the dinners. Bonnie, Alice Ann, Myra and all the other ladies who helped, thank you very much. If I overlooked anyone; Pam, Pat, Ann, Joan or any of the ladies who laid low...my sincerest apologies. Bobbi, I often joke that I don't intend to grow old gracefully, I'm going kicking and screaming, thanks for the kindred spirit. Hillary has her Sisterhood of the Traveling Pant Suits and we have each other. Carmen K, my memory is a blessing and, at times, a curse. All I did this year was keep the promise I made in '07. Welcome to the family and your grandson is so cute.

We were missing a few brothers and sisters this year, some, due to illness and others had prior commitments. Even though they could not come out and play, I want to thank Hennie Wade, Katchie Lynch, Kim Kinnan, Bobbie Glasgow, Leo and Carolyn King, DebbieWeaver (Skip Franges) and Charlene Perkins for sending their recipes. Eileen, Wu and the rest of the C Company boat people and Georgeen, I missed you. Charger, Charlie, Sue and John, Joe and Irma and Bill and Shirley. Byron and Debbie, I know you were here in spirit. Walter, call and let me know that you are okay. We spent some time with Pappy and Shirley. It was good to see him mobile, the stroke affected his speech a little but his faculties are still intact. The smile on his face as his youngest great grandchild climbed onto his lap and hugged him was heartwarming.

The ride to Pikes Peak was interesting. There is a quaint town on the way to the train depot, if I am ever in that area again I have to take pictures. It was a warm day, the view from the Peak was breathtaking, so was the lack of oxygen. It was hard on most of us and we were glad to get back down to the lowlands.

I spoke to several people on Thursday who had very specific questions...Doc Lunde's speech was very informative and hopefully provided the answers they sought. Dennis Badger was very entertaining and he took the heckling from his buddies well and did not get knocked off his game. Kevin, thank you for allowing me to peek behind the mask, you're alright. Sammy, Jimmy and Gary...I'm not sure what an Arkansas hillbilly is, but you guys are sweethearts. Buddy, it was good to see you again and no reunion is the same without Jim(s) Bury, Hill, McCarthy and White, Larry Skoglund, Bob(s) Wakowiak and Gamboa, Levie, Johnnie, Dennis, George, Mark, Wayne, Stan, Gordon, David and Alex. I found out that I am not the only one looking forward to seeing you. Doc(s) all 2 dozen of you, Joe and the guy beside Brune(Jim George's twin), I look forward to seeing you all in two years. Jerry and Evrod, I am glad we had a chance to talk. Ed S, Larry outbid your buddy on that afghan, maybe Linda will forget the bloody fingers, get over the calluses and make another one for us in the future. Sharleen Fields made one a few years ago, that was gorgeous too...maybe he will get another chance.

Several of us had our eyes on it. Jimmy, Ed Goehring continues to outdo himself. I was impressed with the 1st bowl, wowed by the last and can't wait to see what he does next. I have no doubt you will get an opportunity to bid on another one...just remember that the competition is tough. Ed, also, did the flame of remembrance candelabra and did not use a single nail.

For anyone who regretted not going to Vegas this year, I spent the last three days of the week following the reunion at Tuscany on Flamingo Road. The temperature hovered between 114 -120 degrees, the smell of hot asphalt filled the air outside. The quaint Mediterranean setting with shaded foot paths between the buildings is a great concept. I never entered the casino and parked close to my room. The only drawback, it was over a hundred in the shade and the temperature didn't change much overnight and every function was held in the main building which is completely separate from the guest rooms/buildings. I was sweating.

I had a great time in Colorado, I laid down for a 15 minute nap on Sunday and woke up 4 hours later, so if I did not get a chance to say bye to some of you, I hope it was as good for the rest of you as it was for me. I'd offer up a cigarette but I don't smoke, so have a sip of water. Submitted by *Elsie Edmunds*

Taps...

Jearld Leroy Fagg of Herrick, IL passed away on April 3, 2010 at the age of 64 due to an automobile accident. Funeral services were held on April 7th in the Herrick Baptist Church with Pastor Jay Huddleston officiating and burial in the Myers Cemetery. Funeral Arrangements were handled by Lockart-Green Funeral Home, Cowden. The Herrick American Lefion Post #8339 performed the military honors.

He was born on December 11, 1945 in Cedar Rapids, IA, the son of Roy and Helen Fagg. He is survived by his wife, Cheryl, whom he married on December 11, 2007 in Waterloo, IL. Also surviving are sons; Rodney and Keith Fagg; stepchildren James and Lisa Hiten, Renee and Becky Townsend; 6 grandchildren, 7 step-grandchildren and 1 great step-grandchild.

Jerry was a retired truck driver having driven for Rissingers in Peoria, IL. He served with "C" Company, 3rd Battalion 8th Infantry Regiment, 4th Infantry Division in the Republic of Vietnam in 1966-67. He was a member of the Ivy Dragoons Chapter, National 4th Infantry Division Association. The following Ivy Dragoons were in attendance: Byron & Hazel Perry, Bob & Eileen McElroy, Bob Longwell, Ervin & Barb Daniels, Russell Belden, Bob Richards, Jim Kreisel, Danny & Sara Metzger, Alan McAfoos, Delbert Shores and Russell Campbell.

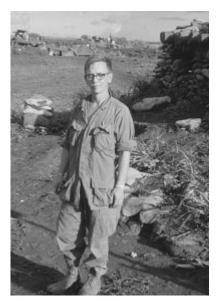
Taps...

SGM Spurgeon Dennis, Ret passed away 2/08. He served in Vietnam in 1967-68, first with C/3/8 as Field 1SGT before becoming HHC 1SGT and was stationed at Camp Enari near Pleiku. He was residing in Columbus, GA at the time of his death.

Taps...

Charles "Chuck" Munsch passed away on June 16, 2008 of respiratory failure after a long illness. He served as an FO (6/29th FA) with C/3/8 in RVN from 9/66-9/67. After his discharge from the military he graduated from Ohio State University and Indiana School of Law. He is survived by his wife, Elaine, of Louisville, KY and his daughter, Kristin, of Evanston, IL.

Dragoon's Profile...



Gary Fagerland at Jackson Hole Aug 1967

Gary Fagerland was inducted into the US Army on 16 March 1967 on a cold and stormy day in Fargo, North Dakota. At the time, he was living in nearby Noonan. Gary took his Basic Training at Fort Bliss, TX and AIT at Fort Polk, LA with an MOS of 11Bravo. Upon completion of AIT and a well deserved leave, Gary departed for Vietnam where he was assigned to 1st Platoon, C/3/8 4th Infantry Division and served from Aug. 1967 – Aug. 1968. When the opportunity to take his R & R came about in May of '68, Gary chose Hawaii to meet his fiancé, Jean. They had planned to get married but decided to wait until he returned home from his tour in

RVN. When Gary returned home, he and Jean were married and they went to Fort Carson, CO. where he served as a Training NCO until his discharge 16 March 1969. Currently, they reside in Everett, WA and have two sons; Chad and Justin and a grandson, Ryan. Gary is retired after working for 37 years at Scott Paper and Kimberly Clark Paper. Gary belongs to the Ivy Dragoons chapter of the 4th Infantry Division Assoc. During his retirement, he is spending his time remodeling their home during the winter and spring and traveling during the summer and doing some hunting in the fall. He has done some taxidermy and after filling two rooms, decided to quit. They have traveled to Africa, Australia, Europe and some of the Pacific islands...Tahiti is a favorite spot. Gary says, "Life is GREAT! After living through Vietnam, I feel like each year is a 'free' year'.

I've attended two. The first one was two years ago for the C Co reunion in Branson, MO. and last summer I went to the Battalion reunion in Colorado Springs, CO. I was nervous about going to the first one. I didn't have any idea what to expect. I went alone because Jean had to work. I was hoping not to see the stereotype Vietnam Vets like we see on TV. I didn't know if I would recognize anyone or not. I almost backed out several times, but my wife said if I didn't like it, I could find something else to do in Branson. I felt very comfortable after talking to a couple of other Vets there. Then I saw and recognized Bob Maranise, who had been in the same platoon as me. Next Gary Edwards and Dennis Sohre arrived. Their wives were with them. Others, I didn't recognize right away, but when we saw pictures of how we looked 40 years ago many good memories returned. It ended up being a GREAT weekend. It was nice to see that everyone looked "normal". We have all aged, grayed and most of us have put on a few pounds and added a few wrinkles, but we all were like a bunch of kids getting together again. It was so much more than I had expected. We didn't spend much time talking about all the bad times in Nam, but instead about some of the fun stuff we did. It was very interesting to see what everyone had done with their lives the last 40+ years. Jean

said I did a lot of talking about it when I got home. We decided right away that we were going to the Battalion reunion the next summer in Colorado Springs. We drove to Colorado for that reunion. This reunion was bigger, more organized and just as much fun. I knew a few people and Wally Fulbright from our platoon and his wife were there too. Even after all these years, it seems like we've never grown apart and are all still good friends. Now, I am anxious for the C Co reunion in June. I booked my room as soon as I found out where the reunion was being held. Jean has to work that week, so I'll be going by myself. Hopefully, there will be more Viet Nam Brothers there that haven't made it to any of the others. I've contacted a couple more men that I could find on the internet, and they have some interest in going. They have the same reservations that I had before I went to one. I've assured them that it isn't anything to dread, but instead it feels good to see some of our good friends again after all these years. Hope to see more Charlie Co Brothers next month in Jackson Hole.

Taps...

Relius "Bo" Boudreaux passed away April 8, 2008 from colon cancer. He retired from the military as a major and did two tours of duty in Vietnam. One tour, he served as a platoon leader with B/3/8 4th ID from 1969-70. He, also, retired from the Harris County, Texas Adult Probation Dept. with over 20 years of service and worked in Homeland Security and Emergency Management for Iberia, LA Parish. He was a member of St Peter Catholic Church, American Legion, VFW, VVA, Ivy Dragoons Chapter of the National 4th ID Assoc and former Grand Knight of the Knights of Columbus. He is survived by his wife, Becky, two sons; Scott and Jeff, a daughter Beth, four brothers, three sisters and three grandchildren. He was buried with full military honors.

Taps...

Wayne "Tom" Dale was born 6 Sept 47 and died 24 March 09. He served in RVN 67-68 with $6/29^{th}$ FA and attached to Charlie and Delta Cos $3/8^{th} 4^{th}$ ID as part of the FO team. He was residing in Weatherford, TX at the time of his death. Contributed by Larry Skoglund FO C/3/8 67-68

Wreaths Across America...

Working with the Patriot Guard Riders, it is my honor to participate in the world's longest parade. The parade starts in the state of Maine and ends at Arlington National Cemetery. This event takes place about two weeks before Christmas. Hand-made Balsam Fir wreaths are escorted by proud Americans from their place of origin in Maine to be placed on Veterans graves in National cemeteries.

We, the Ivy Dragoons, have a great opportunity to lay a wreath on a veteran's grave and earn funds for our scholarship program. During our reunion in Colorado Springs, I collected \$900.00 in donations which was turned over to Wreaths Across America. In return, the Ivy Dragoons received a check for \$300.00 to our scholarship fund. This project is a WIN, WIN!!

More information can be found at <u>www.wreathsacrossamerica.org</u> The primary purpose of this program is to lay a wreath on the graves of all veterans. By participating, we can also help our scholarship fund.

Please send any donations to: Edward G.Goehring 7429 Bell Gate Rd. Coopersburg,Pa. 18036

Thank you for your groups hard work and support helping to make Wreaths Across America's 2009 National Remembrance Ceremony a great success.

With your help we placed 150,000 wreaths in over 400 National, State and Local cemeteries and have made a goal to place 250,000 wreaths in 2010.

Taps...

Thomas Calvin Freitas, 62, of Wailuku, Maui, passed away on Dec. 10, 2009. He was born in Pearl City. He worked at the Pearl Harbor Naval Shipyard as a nuclear pipefitter and is a U.S. Army veteran having served with B/ 3/8 4th Infantry Division in Vietnam 11/67-11/68. He is survived by daughters, Karli Brash and Kami; brothers, Alfred, Earl and Russell; two grandchildren; and special friend, Mary Meier. His remains were cremated and half will go into the vault at the Punch Bowl. The other half will be scattered at sea, as he spent many years racing and delivering sail boats. He was the Hawaii State Commander of the D.A.V. for the 2007-2008 term and we went to Washington DC. We were both very taken by the Vietnam wall, and he cried. Services are to be held at the National Memorial Cemetery of the Pacific. The scattering of ashes will take place at the Waikiki Yacht Club. Funeral arrangements by Moanalua Mortuary. Contributed by Mary Meier

Reunion Comments...

I would like to thank all that were in attendance at the 6th Reunion. A special thanks to Steve Edmunds and Ed Goehring for the invitation. Ginger and I could not have felt more welcomed. It was an honor and a privilege to attend. It was our intention to honor the fallen and to honor and meet the Brothers that returned. The Memorial Plaque and the hat with the 8th Inf. Reg. insignia have been mounted on the wall next to the Flag and other pictures of my Brother, 2nd Lt Lloyd Hitchins. I have not yet figured out how to display the Challenge Coin...but...I will. Receiving the Memorial Plague and the Challenge coin was an honored surprise (thanks Steve & Ed). I wish that I had been able to speak at that time ...but....I choked. I will post pictures of the display that I have at home and other pictures of the reunion when I figure out how to do so...computer illiterate (large smile). Again, my thanks for welcoming my wife (Ginger) and I to the Ivy Dragoon's Family. Randy Hitchins, (Brother, Lt Lloyd Lynn Hitchins, C/3/8 KIA 13 Dec 67)

Just came home from the 2009 reunion and ready for the next one. If you've never been to one you don't know what you're missing. It's the only time in a year that you're in a room full of people who know what you know, felt what you felt, and understand why you are the way you are. I wish we could have two or three a year. Jeff McFadden, C/3/8 67-68

I have never felt the camaraderie like we were all one big family of brothers since I left Vietnam 40 years ago. It seemed to me that every one was willing to do whatever it took so that everyone else would have a meaningful experience and that we were all once again looking out for each other. I can't describe it in any other way other than it meant very much to me to finally meet you and shake your hand and give you a hug like we were old friends. In a way we are. Thank you.

Ed "Doc" Sullivan, B/3/8 68-69

I just wanted to take a moment to thank you and Elsie for creating such a terrific event. It has been an emotional journey for me - first, being "found" by Gary Fagerland and then reconnecting with my buddies from 41 years ago. Although I had tried to find some guys over the years, I had no success. The Reunion did that for me. It was great seeing you, Gary Holliman, Gary Fagerland, Gary Edwards, Dennis Sohre, Bob Maranise, Pat McClelland, Doc Lundy, Doc Arnold, Jeff McFadden, Jim White and all the others. We remembered together — looking at pictures, telling stories — we laughed, we cried. It was all great. Thanks, too, for making my wife, Bobbi, feel so welcome and comfortable. The other wives in our group ----Georgeen, Linda, Myra, Jean, and all the others — welcomed her and I think they made friendships that will last a long time. Wally Fulbright, C/3/8 67-68

PMIM – Open Hands & Hearts...

Following is a recap of my trip last October. The trip went well. Distributed food to 70 families and toys to 50 children in a leprocy village in Nha Trang; distributed food to 70 families and toys to 50 children in a montangard village (Ko Ho tribe) in Da Lat. Before I left made arrangements to acquire some property next to their village to build an additional schoolhouse to ease overcrowding; distributed school supplies and toys to 210 children in 3 schools, sponsored 10 children for the school year and provided their families with 10kgs of rice, 5 bags dried noodles, salt, sugar and 2 cans vinamilk and made arrangements to have 3 homes reconstructed in Giong Trom; and traveled to Hanoi to meet with a former NVA soldier from the 209th NVA regiment who fought against my battalion in the battle at Firebase 14 on 26 March 68. He has been trying to locate the graves of his fallen comrades and found me through the internet. We had been emailing through a friend of his since before our reunion in July. I missed that battle...I was medivaced out a few days before with malaria. Anyway, with information received at my battalion reunion and subsequent conversations with a few of my Brothers, I think I have provided him with the information to locate two mass graves and hopefully bring some closure to their families. One of our Brothers sent me a CD he made from scanning copies of documents, diaries, photos etc that I shared with him. It was an interesting meeting...they were very much like us. The guy I met was drafted and spent 3 years in the army...one year in the area of Kontum. He held low rank and was a machine gunner at FSB 14. Now, he is in the tourist business catering to French clientele as he speaks fluent French and no English. We agreed through interpreters that 40 years ago we would have done what was necessary to kill each other ... on this day, we would have lunch together. Having some of the documents read, I learned that comments made in the diary indicated that the writer wished he had never been born. Another, listed the names of his wife and children and how much he missed them. He was drafted into the army on 5 Aug 67 and killed on 26 Mar 68. While in the northern area, I met another former NVA who fought in the Da Nang area where he was wounded in 1969, treated by American doctors and spent the next three years in an American POW camp. He was released in 1973 after the Paris peace talks. He pulled up his shirt to show me his scars on his stomach and shoulder. I am sitting in his home having tea with him and his family. It was an interesting and productive trip. As a follow-up, I have been in contact with my new "friend" and he informed me that they have retrieved some remains. Their efforts had to be delayed due to the monsoons and they will return during the dry season.



Two of three homes in Giong Trom to be rebuilt using brick with a corrugated steel roof and concrete floor.

Taps...

Mike "Cowpoke" Landerman passed away on August 18, 2009. He served with B/3/8 4th ID in Vietnam from 7/67-11/67. He leaves behind two sons, Luke and Tucker. Mike attended our first reunion in 1999 but had kept a low profile ever since.

Taps...

Wonnie "Pappy" Harris, Jr., originally from Toomsuba, MS, passed away on December 10, 2009. 1st Sergeant (Ret.) Harris was born on 2/23/1932. He faithfully served in the U.S. Army for over 30 years and was known as "Pappy" among his military comrades. He served two tours of service in Vietnam. One tour was as a platoon sergeant with C/3/8 4th Infantry Division. Wonnie was a member and Deacon at New Beginnings Baptist Church in Colorado Springs. He is survived by his beloved wife, Shirley Mae Harris; sons, Paul Horn, Mark (Sabrina) Harris; daughters, Sherry (Ben) Simmons, and Jackie Harris; sisters, Annie Mae Liddel, Bernice Carter, Laurice Tanksley, Emma B. (Lamar) Smith, Juanita Crowell, Cora Cole, Vera Wilson, and Ether Jean Davis; grandchildren, Kimberly Nakia, Paul, Jr., Lisa, Lakisha, Andrew (Quilla), Michael, Jr., Mikia, Darius, Mark, Jr., Sarah and Brandy; great-grandchildren, Christia, Bria, Tyler, Andrew, Jr., Katara, Wesley, Tressia and Myell; brother-in-law, Rev. John (Annie) Kerley; and Sister-in-laws, Suzy and Juanita. Wonnie will be truly missed by his family and friends. Angelus Funeral Directors coordinated the services. The funeral was held on December 17th at St. John's Baptist Church in Colorado Springs. Interment followed at Fort Logan National Cemetery, Denver, Colorado, with full military honors. Attending the services from the Ivy Dragoons were Steve and Elsie Edmunds, Monte "Doc" Lunde, Gary Holliman and Pat McClelland who all served with Pappy in 2nd platoon.

Ivy Dragoons Reunion AAR...

Dates of Action: 9 – 12 July 09 Location: Colorado Springs, CO

Weather conditions...

Hot with periodic thundershowers

Units and Personnel involved...

A/3/8: Col. William & Judy Babcock, A/3/8 69-70; Johnnie Bing & Jennifer Thompson, A/3/8 67-68; Stan Bode, A/3/8 67-68; Randy "Doc" Born, A/3/8 70; George "Doc" Costa, A/3/8 68-69; Colin & Nancy Davis, A/3/8 67-68; Gordon & Karin Dixon, A/3/8 67-68; Arty & Sharon Dovers with grandchildren, Robert & Randall, A/3/8 70; Myron & Kathy Gwin, A/3/8 68-69; Ralph & Diane Haun, A/3/8 67-68; Jim & Helen Hill with daughter Angela and grandchildren Tre and Anna, A/3/8 66-67; David & Sherlyn Jack, A/3/8 67-68; Wayne Jackson, Jr., with daughter ??, A/3/8 68-69; Sam & Cathy Jones, A/3/8 68-69; Mike "Doc" Kitchen, A/3/8 68-69; Mark & Patricia Knox, A/3/8 70; Nathan "Nate" & Charlyne Lanford, A/3/8 67-68; Julio Leon, A/3/8 68-69; Alan & Carolyn Linford, A/3/8 67-68; Jim "Mac" & Mary McCarthy, A/3/8 69-70; Paul & Sandra Mims, A/3/8 68-69; Steve "Doc" & Sandy Prince, A/3/8 66-67; Hugh Ray, A/3/8 67-68; Dennis Sanchez, A/3/8 67-68; Mark Towns, A/3/8 66-67; Felix "Buddy" & Claudia Williams, A/3/8 68-69

B/3/8: Alex & Delia Alegria, B/3/8 66-67; Dennis "Badge" Badger, B/3/8 68-69; Dennis Bolman, B/3/8 69-70; Jim Bury, B/3/8 67-68; Jim Congrove, B/3/8 66-67; William & Bonnie Cowell, B/3/8 67-68; Richard & Rosemary Elam, B/3/8 66-67; Ken Elliott, B/3/8 67-68; Frank Fesi, B/3/8 68-69; Don & Sharleen Fields, B/3/8 68-69: **Robert Frve,** B/3/8 68-69: **Bob Gamboa,** B/3/8 66-67: Jim George, B/3/8 68-69; Ed & Mary Ellen Goehring, B/3/8 66-67; Jimmy Hampton, B/3/8 68-69; Levie Isaacks, B/3/8 67-68; Richard & Pam Jacobs with children, Sami & Nick, B/ 3/8 68-69; Larry & Charlotte Jumper, B/3/8 66-67; Kevin & Connie Leonard, B/3/8 69; Isaac & Lucille Mickens with son, Dexter and grandson, Darnell, B/3/ 8 66-67; Kurt "Doc" & Sue Nagl, B/3/8 66-67; Ralph Nagel, B/3/8 68-69; Larry Orr, B/3/8 66-67; Steve Pannell, B/3/8 67-68; R. David "Doc" Pickett, B/3/8 66-67: James & Evelvn Roberson and grandson, Andrew aka AJ, B/3/8; Hector & Carmen Sanchez, B/3/8 69-70; Tom & Jean Schroeder, B/3/8 67-68; Sam & Joan Shelton, B/3/8 66-67; Steve & Pat Shlagel, B/3/8 68-69; Ed Sleichert and guest, James Bialka 5/12th 199LIB, B/3/8 68-69; Ed "Doc" Sullivan, B/3/8 68-69; Joe Travnik, B/3/8 68-69; Marion & Teri Ann Valentine, B/ 3/8 68-69; Bob Walkowiak, B/3/8 67-68; Fred & Carol Watson and daughter, Abigail, B/3/8 67-68; Sammy

Watson, B/3/8 68-69.

C/3/8: Juan & Toni Anzaluda, C/3/8 69-70; Todd "Doc" Arnold C/3/8 67-68; Bud "Doc" Bartley, C/3/8 69-70; Bill Bodine, C/3/8 68-69; Wayne "Doc" Brown, C/3/8 66-67; Ross & Linda DeGrave, C/3/8 67-68; Steve & Elsie Edmunds, C/3/8 67-68; Gary & Georgeen Edwards, C/3/8 67-68; Gary & Jean Fagerland, C/3/8 67-68; Doug Foster, C/3/8 69-70; Wally & Bobbi Fulbright, C/3/8 67-68; Al Garron, C/3/8 67: Randy & Ginger Hitchins, (Memorial – Brother, LT Lloyd Lynn Hitchins, C/3/8 KIA 13 Dec 67; Gary Holliman and guests; Brenda & Roy Grinder, C/3/8 67-68; Richard "Doc" Jackson, C/3/8 66-67; Monte "Doc" Lunde, C/3/8 67-68; Bob & Linda Maranise, C/ 3/8 67-68; Pat & Lynda McClelland, C/3/8 67-68; Jeff & Gloria McFadden, C/3/8 67-68; Paul & Carla Perez, C/ 3/8 67; Larry Skoglund, C/3/8 67-68 FO; Dennis & Myra Sohre, C/3/8 67-68; Rea "Sparky" & Betty Sparks and guests, David & Amy Sparks, C/3/8 67; Jim White, C/3/8 68-69

D/3/8: Jerry Alford, D/3/8 67-68; Terry Bell, D/3/8 67-68; Mike & Elena Daugherty, D/3/8 68-69; Ken Howe & Lynne Menard, D/3/8 68-69; Pat & Alice Ann McNulty, D/3/8 67-68 FO; Bill & Maggie Mendez, D/3/ 8 67-68; Alex Quintanar, D/3/8 67-68;

E/3/8 & HHC/3/8: Rick "Doc" Arouzet & Guest, Bob Goulding, HHC/3/8 Recon 66-67; Carl Holmes & Guest, HHC/3/8 67-68; Jim & Becky Jewell, HHC/3/8 Recon 66-67; Chuck & Carmen Kiser, Jr. and grandson HHC/3/8 67-70; Dan & Arlette Miller, HHC/3/8 66-67; Bruce "Tom" & Ann Thompson, HHC/3/8 Recon 66-67; Evrod C. Warner, HHC/3/8 69-71;

July 9 1000-2200 hrs: A squad arrived early to secure LZ Academy and establish the CP in Tower Room 1. Two large electric coolers were provided by S-5 (hotel) for beverages. These containers were soon filled with various types of beer, soda pop and bottled water for all to enjoy. The immediate perimeter was expanded to include the adjacent Tower Room 2. Official registration was underway for what would become one of the most memorable reunions we have experienced. Each Brother received the 8th Infantry Regimental Crest with a framed history of the crest, a C-Ration cookbook (compliments of the Tobasco Co) and a decal which illustrates our service in Vietnam (compliments of Gary Edwards, C/3/8 67-67). Each registrant received five raffle tickets for prizes to be awarded at the evening meals. Memorabilia, photo albums and catalogues containing copies of our archives were displayed on the tables to be perused at ones leisure. All enjoyed the camaraderie and fellowship. A special thanks to an anonymous donor for the 8th Inf. Reg. banner with (continued)

IVY DRAGOONS DISPATCH 2212 SHADY HILLS DR. DIAMOND BAR, CA 91765

RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

Taps...

Willie C. Ray passed away on August 14, 2002. He served with D/3/8 4th ID in Vietnam in 1968-69. After the military, he spent 15 years as a law enforcement officer and served as Chief of Police for the City of Cordele, GA and the City of Plains, GA. More recently, he was employed by the Sumter County Board of Education. He leaves behind his loving wife, Emma, and three children; Cynthia, Maria and Dewain; and three sisters and five brothers.

Taps...

Steve "Doc" Osbrink passed away on Dec 6, 2009 at the age of 61. For most of his life, he resided in Southern California. He was living in San Dimas, CA at the time of his death. A Viet-Nam veteran, he served proudly with B Co 3rd Bn. 8th Inf. Reg. 4th Infantry Division as a Combat Medic. He served in RVN 9/6/68-8/24/09. For 15 years, he owned the Fish'n Hole in Covina, CA. He is survived by his beloved wife Lindy, sons Tom and Rick, daughter-in-laws Christine and Courtney and cherished grandchildren Becca and Ethan. His unique humor and giving spirit will be greatly missed.

SEEKING INFO...

I served with B/3/8th from December 1965 –November 1967. I need help with a request from Stanley W. Dix (Nephew of Stanley Wesley Dix). His uncle Stanley Wesley Dix was KIA 7/23/1967 in the Battle of Three Trees (Plei Ya Bo). He told me that his grandmother gave him Stanleys name. He also told me that his grandmother gave him Stanleys foot locker which contained all of Stanleys belongings. He told me about Stanleys Silver Star and asked me how he won it. I told him how he won the Silver Star. I sent him a page from Charlie Floods book "The War of the Innocents". This is what I need help with. He told me that the footlocker also contained a piece of a paper dollar. He asked me if I had a piece of the same dollar. I told him no, I didn't have a piece of the \$1.00. If you can help Stanley out, I would sure appreciate it. I have a lot of photos on the following websites.

http://home.earthlink.net/~kenervin/ http://kenervin.spaces.live.com/ http://kenervinnvietnam.blogspot.com/

Ken Ervin kenervin@embarqmail.com

(continued)

battle streamers.

1230-1630 hrs: Ed Goehring, NCOIC. led elements consisting of 35 personnel to car caravan to Fort Carson. Once on post, they were loaded onto a military bus to be transported to the Urban Warfare Training Center where they participated in a tour of the facility. The participants found the tour to be enjoyable and informative.

July 10 0800-1600 hrs: A small detachment re-secured Tower Room 1 to continue with the registration and enjoy the fellowship together.

0800-1200 hrs: Ed Goehring, NCOIC led a detachment of 60 personnel to board the buses for the Cog Train Ride to Pikes Peak. Due to the 14,000 ft altitude, bottled water was provided to each participant. The participants enjoyed the beauty of the Colorado Rocky Mountains.

1700-1800 hrs: Reception was held in the atrium/ lobby area with a no host bar

1800-1930 hrs: After a few welcoming words by President, Steve Edmunds and the benediction the battalion broke for chow and lined up in one of the two buffet lines to make their selection of BarBQue Chicken and Pork with all the trimmings.

1930-2200 hrs: The program got underway with featured speakers; Ed Goehring, B/3/8 66-67 who spoke about the Wreaths Across America program; Monte "Doc" Lunde, C/3/8 67-68 on veteran benefits; Terry Bell, D/3/8 67-68 on his return trip to Vietnam; Bill & Judy Babcock, A/ 3/8 69-70 on their return trip to Vietnam; Dennis "Badge" Badger, B/3/8 68-69 on some of the lighter moments of his tour; and Bill Mendez, D/3/8 67-68 on self motivation and using our experiences as an asset. The balance of the evening consisted of drawings to determine the winners of the raffle prizes.

July 11 0900-1100 hrs: A squad secured TR1 in preparation for our business meeting. By a unanimous vote, the present officers were reelected to another term of office: President and Treasurer – Steve Edmunds; Vice-President – Jim Hill; Vice-President – Ed Goehring; Secretary – Monte "Doc" Lunde; Sgt at Arms – Bob Gamboa. Editors of the *Ivy Dragoons Dispatch* are Ken Howe and Levie Isaacks. Webmaster – Jim Bury and Bob Walkowiak assisting with the Photo page. By nearly a unanimous vote, it was decided to hold our next battalion reunion in Branson, MO in 2011...date TBD.

0900-1100 hrs The Lady Dragoons aka Dragoon Babes held their meeting in TR2. (See **Reunion...A Woman's Perspective**)

1200-1600 hrs A squad secured TR1 where we continued to enjoy the fellowship together.

1800-2300 hrs The battalion gathered in the

atrium/lobby for the Banquet Dinner. A Color Guard from Fort Carson led by SSG Joshua Soetger, NCOIC and consisting of the following: SGT Hernandez, SGT Hemingway, SPC Andrew Luessenheide, PFC Edwardo Rodas, and PV2 Simmons of the 43rd Sustainment Brigade presented the colors. We were led in the Pledge of Allegiance by Jim & Helen Hill's grandson, Tre; Arty & Sharon Dovers grandchildren Robert and Randall; and James & Evelyn Roberson's grandson, Andrew aka AJ. This was followed by the benediction led by Larry Jumper. At our insistence, we asked the Color Guard to take point through the chow line as our way of thanking them for their service. It was a buffet befitting a battalion of grunts. After chow, Steve Edmunds asked that all first time attendees stand up and approach the podium in single file where each Brother was presented with our battalion challenge coin. A presentation was made to Randy Hitchins in memory of his brother, LT Lloyd Lynn Hitchins, C/3/8 KIA 13 Dec 67 which included our challenge coin. Speakers included Felix "Buddy" Williams and Kurt "Doc" Nagl. Ed Goehring, chairman of our scholarship committee awarded our first two \$500.00 scholarships....winners were Zach Strickland and Jowilyn Estrada. We held more raffle drawings, a silent auction and a bidding auction for selected items. This was followed by our Flames of Remembrance ceremony and Taps to conclude the evening. A special thanks to the following for the donated gifts as raffle prizes and auction items: Ross and Linda DeGrave, Steve and Elsie Edmunds, Gary and Jean Fagerland, Don and Sharleen Fields, Ed and Mary Ellen Goehring, , Fred and Carol Watson, and Jim White.

July 12 The past few days have been great!!! ... and now, it is time to say our goodbyes.

Taps...

Bernard A. Frolik passed away June 18, 2009 at the age of 62. He served with C/3/8 4ID in Vietnam in 1966-67 where he received a Purple Heart and Army Commendation Medal with "V" device. He retired in 2001 after 30 years as a mail carrier with the USPS in Minneapolis. He and his wife enjoyed 4 years of traveling throughout the U.S. in their Airstream Trailer. Bernie was an avid golfer and enjoyed the outdoors and sports. He had a special bond with his grandchildren and enjoyed life to the fullest. He is survived by his wife Linda, four sons Bryan, Matt (Lisa), Chad (Christina), Trevor; three grandchildren, Brianna, Jared and Jacob; sisters and brothers, Mary Jo (Kenneth) Croteau, Connie (John) Huiras, Jim Frolik and Steve (Brenda) Frolik.

Veterans Day 2009 AAR...

As Veterans Day neared, I had no confirmed Dragoon attendees to take part in the wreath laying segment of the Veterans Day program at The Wall in Washington DC. Doc Nagl told me, "Calm down little brother, I'll be there for you".

My wife, Mary Ellen, and I arrived on November 10 and went to the Vietnam Veterans Memorial area of the national park system. The day before the Veterans day event is the most enjoyable for me, as Brothers from Vietnam are starting to arrive and the large crowds of the next day hve not yet arrived. After enjoying the company of brothers from other units, eating a piece of the Marine Corps birthday cake, and collecting a rubbing of a fallen Dragoon, we retired to our night location for rest and some rations. Tonight's rations were a seafood dinner at The Red Lobster... sure beats Ham & Mothers. The evening's weather report said something about rain. Well, we all know that I have been wet before... no problem.

Early Veterans Day morning early, my communication device (cell phone) rang and it was My Big Brother, Doc Nagl. He told me, with deepest remorse, that he was a little under the weather and didn't think it was a good idea to spend the day in the heavy rain. Heavy rain...this was the first I heard the words "heavy rain". I agreed with Doc and said that Mary and I could handle the honor. We drove into Washington DC. and found parking, then we walked our wreath to the staging area when the rain started. Being a Grunt, I said we have to buy Poncho's. We found some clear disposable ponchos and bought two of them. As the rain got heavier, I learned that the remnants of tropical storm "Ida" had stopped over Washington DC. Well, I survived my third monsoon. As in The Nam, we lived through one in Tuy Hoa, then another in Pleiku. The day was wet, but very rewarding. I met a brother wearing a 4th ID hat and asked him who he served with, he replied, "3/8th". He lives in Arizona and this was his first trip to The Wall. He is now listed on our roster. The rest of the day was uneventful and remained wet. When the time came to present our wreath, one of the Dragoon Babes, Mary Ellen and I did the honors. As soon as the program was over, we headed for our Hooch to dry off. Lesson learned: watch the weather forecast. If "Ida" knew it would be that wet, "IDA" would have stayed home also. No, seriously, we owe it to our fallen to remember them. Ed Goehring B Co. 9/66 ~ 9/67



Dragoon Babe, Mary Ellen Goehring and Dragoon Brother, Ed Goehring with the Ivy Dragoons wreath on Veterans Day 2009 in Wash. DC

Viet Nam Veterans Reunite on Labor Day 2009...

The planning for our Labor Day reunion actually started in Colorado Springs during a reunion with Wayne Brown and me. Wayne and I agreed to get together at Co-Co's for breakfast in Pasadena, California. Once we decided on a date, we all met on Labor Day weekend. Those in attendance were, Steve Edmunds (Chapter President), Gene Hale, David Tyus, Alex Alegeria, Alex's wife Delia, Wayne Brown, Daniel Bicknell, my lovely wife and me. David Tyus's brother-in-law (Ronald Kelly), friend (Conrad) and grandson (Walter Frank) were also present. They all came to be in the presence of Viet Nam Veterans. David Tyus and Alex Alegeria met with Gene Hall and Wayne Brown for the first time since 1967; 42 years later. Our bond was still there after 42 years of not seeing each other and we never forgot each other. It seems like it was just yesterday when we departed to the States. We all had a lot of stories to tell in the two hours we spent together. We sat around telling stories of the past and future. Some of us had not seen each other in over 40 years. What a great feeling it was to get together and reunite once again. Steve Edmunds is planning to go back to Viet Nam to do charity work and meet up with a National Vietnamese Army soldier (N.V.A.) that he fought against during the Viet Nam War. The Pasadena Star News covered our event and everyone gave the Pasadena Star News stories of Viet Nam. After breakfast we all agreed to get together again soon. We would all like to once again thank Gene Hale for picking up the tab for the breakfast. God bless vou all.

Your 3/8 Brother, Richard Elam

CHAPTER UPDATE...

The following is an update and includes all renewals for 2010 memberships through 30 April 10.

New... Juan C. Anzaldua, C/3/8 69-70; Todd Arnold, C/ 3/8 67-68; Terry Bell, D/3/8 67-68; Michael E. Boutwell, D/3/8 68-69; Malvin J. Bruntvedt, A/3/8 66-67; Ron Collins, CO B/3/8 67-68; James Duncan, HHC/ 3/8 66-67; John "Jack" Frey, A/3/8 66-67; Robert O. Frye, B/3/8 68-69; Michael "Doc" Kitchen, A/3/8 68-69; Stan Lowencamp, B/3/8 66-67; Dan "Doc" Maguire, A/3/8 67; Jeffrey K. McFadden, C/3/8 67-68; David D. Mills, D/3/8 68-69; Barry Mylar, B/3/8 69-70; Roger A. Nash, C/3/8 67-68; James O. Pittman, Ret., HHC/3/8 69-70; Donald Romelfanger, Memorial – Father Jerald Romelfanger A/6/29 FO 5/69-4/70; Leonard J. Russo, Jr., A/3/8 67-68; Dennis Sanchez, A/3/8 67-68; Edward "Doc" Sullivan, B/3/8 68-69; Jerome W. Van Loo, C/32/8 68-69; Sammy A. Watson, B/3/8 68-69;

Renewals... Byron E. Adams, D/3/8 68-69; James C. Adams, B/3/8 67-68; Ronald K. Adams, B/3/8 69; Alex P. Alegria, B/3/8 66-67; William J. Anderson, C/3/8 67-68; Rick Arouzet, HHC/3/8 Recon 66-67; Dennis Badger, B/3/8 68-69; Joseph S. Balla, A/3/8 68-69; Dr John F. Bauer, D/3/8 68-69; Ron Beckman, D/3/8 67-68; Lloyd "Doc" Bedik, HHC/3/8 67-68; Stanley J. Benner, A/3/8 66-67; Ronald D. Blust, A/3/8 67-68; Stanley R. Bode, A/3/8 67-68; Bruce R. Boenning, D/3/ 8 68-69; Dennis R. Bolman, B/3/8 69-70; Edward C. Bookman, B/3/8 66-67; Michael A. Boxer, D/3/8 68-69; William J. Brune, C/3/8 70; Paul D. Burrell, C/3/8 69-70; James N. Bury, B/3/8 67-68; Roger G. Bury, Associate USAF 67-68; Mark A. Butler, C/3/8 67; Russell Campbell, C/3/8 66-67; Terry L. Carlton, B/3/8 66-67; Bill Cash, C/3/8 66-67; George Casiano, HHC/3/8 Recon 66-67; Stephen J. Chopek, A/3/8 68; John L. Cimino, B/3/8 67-68; Joseph J. Coll, Memorial -Brother Dennis J. Coll, A/3/8 KIA 3 Mar 69; Jesse A. Colvin, B/3/8 66-67; John L. Concannon, C/3/8 67; George "Doc" Costa, A/3/8 68-69; William H. Cowell, B/3/8 67-68; Leonard "Doc: Crosby, HHC/3/8 67-68; Doug "Jack" Crumley, HHC/3/8 Recon 66-67; Charles Q. Cutshaw, U/3/8 64-66; Colin L. Davis, A/3/8 67-68; Gordon D. Dixon, A/3/8 67-68; Arty Lee Dovers, A/3/8 70; Christopher R. Dressler, E/3/8 Recon 69; Gary R. Edwards, C/3/8 67-68; Carl J. Eisler, B/3/8 69-70; Richard A. Elam, B/3/8 66-67; Kenneth H. Elliott, B/3/ 8 67; Col. Robert B. Evans, Ret., HHC/3/8; Gary W. Fagerland, C/3/8 67-68; Jearld L. Fagg, C/3/8 66-67; David S. Fessler, C/3/8 67-68; Donald S. Fields, B/3/8 68-69; Vance A. Fink, B/3/8 66-67; Sal "Brooklyn" Finocchiaro, HHC/3/8 69-70; Dennis Fitz-Patrick,

HHC/3/8 69-70; Charles B. Flood, HHC/3/8 66-67 war correspondent; Thomas J. Freitas, B/3/8 67-68; Charles "Skip" Franges, C/3/8 67-68; Wally L. Fulbright, C/3/8 67-68; Robert "Panch" Gamboa, B/3/8 66-67; Joe Garcia, Jr., B/3/8 66-67; Alfred M. Garron, C/3/8 67; Virgil "Sonny" Giles, U/3/8 69-70; SGM Louis "Mike" Glasgow, Ret., C/3/8 67-67; Edward F. Gray, A/3/8 67-68; Walter Gross, D/3/8 67; Daniel V. Grzyb, D/3/8 67; Jerry L. Guffey, A/3/8 68-69; Ronald L. Hamm, D/3/8 68-69; Roger D. Harrell, B/3/8 67-68; John M. Harris, HHC/3/8 68; Tim Haslam, B/3/8 68-69; Ralph E. Haun, A/3/8 67-68; Frederick E. Helms, B/3/8 66-67; Ernest Hicks, A/3/8 68-69; Hugh D. Hosack, B/3/8 67-68; Kenneth A. Howe, D/3/8 68-69; Paul L. Hundreiser, A/ 3/8 66-67; Gregory "Rock" Illingworth, C/3/8 66-67; Levie Issacks, B/3/8 67-68; David L. Jack, A/3/8 67-68; Richard "Doc" Jackson, C/3/8 66-67; Albert R. Jacquez, Sr, A/3/8 69-70; James R. Jewell, HHC/3/8 Recon 66-67; Sam Jones, A/3/8 68-69; Larry G. Jumper, B/3/8 66-67; Samuel Kennedy, HHC/3/8 Recon 66-67; Billy W. Kimberlin, B/3/8 66-67; Byron Kinnan, D/3/8 67-68; Leonard "Doc" King, HHC/3/8 66-67; Robert D. Kirkland, E/3/8 Recon 69-70; Charles D. Kiser, Jr., HHC/3/8 67-70; Paula Koy, Memorial – Brother Dennis McPherson E/3/8 Mortars KIA 11 Nov 67; James H. Kreisel, C/3/8 66-67; Kent A. Lang, C/3/8 67-68; Kevin (Long) Leonard, B/3/8 69; Richard "Rick" Letz, C/3/ 8 66-67; Robert L. Levesque, D/3/8 69-70; Richard J. Linneman, A/3/8 68-69; Monte "Doc" Lunde, C/3/8 67-68; M/Gen Thomas "Charger" Lynch, Ret., HHC/3/8 66-67; Jacob "Doc" Marks, D/3/8 68-69; Alan E. Martins, E/3/8 68-69; CMSgt James D. Massey, B/3/8 67-68; Patrick C. McClelland, C/3/8 67-68; Gary J. McCluskey, D/3/8 67-68; Patrick J. McNulty, D/3/8 FO 67-68; Victor J. Melendez, C/3/8 69; Maynard "Gene" Melhorn, D/3/8 67-69; Dr Bill Mendez, D/3/8 67-68;Carroll Merrell, B/3/8 66-67; Daniel Miller, HHC/3/ 8 66-67; John Mitchell, C/3/8 68-69; Patrick L. Mitchell, U/3/8 70; Rick Myers, C/3/8 66-67; Ralph E. Nagel, B/3/8 68-69; Kurt "Doc" Nagl, B/3/8 66-67; Julio Nazario, HHC/3/8 67-68; Roy S. Nussbaum, HHC/ 3/8 67-68; Terry E. Oliver, Memorial – Father, Charles E. Oliver C/3/8 KIA 7/23/67; David A. Orbell, A/3/8 67-68; Larry D. Orr, B/3/8 66-67; Richard A. Palentchar, D/3/8 70; Joe F. Pelfrey, A/3/8 67-68; Palmer Pelham, E/3/8 Recon 68-69; John A. Perez, C/3/8 68-69; Byron L. Perry, C/3/8 66-67; Thomas J. Petrocik, C/3/8 66-67; R. David "Doc" Pickett, B/3/8 66-67; Col. Jim Pittman, Ret., HHC/3/8 69-70; Reuben C. Plachy, E/3/8 Recon 69-70; Velma Poore, Memorial – Husband Larry Poore A/3/8 67-67 Deceased DOD 2/8/08; Hugh H. Ray, A/3/8 67-68; Robert Rohan, C/3/8 66-67; Philip A. Roncari, A/3/8 66-67; John E. Roy, D/3/8 68-69; Thomas N. Schroeder,

B/3/8 67-68; Weldon Seay, B/3/8 69; Samuel V. Shelton, B/3/8 66-67; Delbert Shores, Jr., C/3/8 66-67; Edward J. Skwira, D/3/8 67-68; Robert A. Smith, A/3/8 67-68; Dennis Sohre, C/3/8 67-68; Gary Starrett, D/3/8 67-68; Robert "St Louis" Stevson, B/3/8 67-68; Sidney S. Strickland, B/3/8 66-67; Bruce "Tom" Thompson, HHC/3/8 Recon 66-67; Donald O. Tienhara, C/3/8 66-67; Joe Travnik, B/3/8 68-69; James L. Turner, D/3/8 67-68; Bart VanValkenburgh, A/3/8 70; Van York, B/3/8 69-70; Bill E. Vigil, A/3/8 67-68; Robert G. Walkowiak, Jr., B/3/8 67-68; Fred Watson, B/3/8 67-68; James N. White, C/3/8 68-69; Robert J. White, C/3/8 67-68; Stuart White, E/3/8 Recon 67-68; Stephen P. Wolff, E/3/ 8 67-68; Duane Zorn, HHC/3/8 66-67

Paid For Life... Michael Alfieri, A/3/8 66-67; Wm. Clay Andrews, C/3/8 67; Ruben "Doc" Bonilla, A/3/8 68-69; Klaus Borgmann, A/3/8 69-70; Ron Collins, CO B/3/8 67-68; Doug Dettman, D/3/8 67-68; Steve Edmunds, C/ 3/8 67-68; William "Doc" Ferguson, HHC/3/8 66-67; Francis X. Fesi, B/3/8 68-69; James H. George, B/3/8 68-69; Edward G. Goehring, B/3/8 66-67; James R. Hill, A/3/8 66-67; Ronald P. Jones, C/3/8 67-68; John R. Kell, C/3/8 70; Nathan Lanford, A/3/8 67-68; Michael A. Leite, C/3/8 69; Albert Llauger, E/3/8 Mortars 67-68; Branko B. Marinovitch, B/3/8 66-67; James A. McCarthy, A/3/8 69-70; Joe T. McCook, E/3/8 Mortars 67-68; Robert C. McElroy, C/3/8 66-67; Richard L. Peters, B/3/8 67-68; Edward E. Pippin, B/3/8 67; Steve Prince, A/3/8 66-67; Paul C. Romine, D/3/8 68-69; Alan P. Sellers, C/3/8 67-68; Rea L. Sparks, C/3/8 67; John J. Tadrzak, A/3/8 69; Alfred F. Thomas, B/3/8 66-67; James L. Vaughn, C/3/8 69-70; James M. Voshell, D/3/ 8 67-68; Davie D. Wade, A/3/8 67-68; Felix "Buddy" Williams, A/3/8 68-69;

The Ivy Dragoons Scholarship Update...

Shortly before the Colorado Springs reunion it was decided to award the first Ivy Dragoons scholarship in the amount of \$500.00 dollars during the Saturday evening banquet dinner. We received four applications for our scholarship.

Since we cannot favor one student over another, it was decided to randomly select the winner. I marked one of the suit's of a deck of cards on each application, then folded them so no one could see any information and handed the nearest table of our brotherhood the deck of cards and asked that they shuffle and cut the cards and pass them to another table to do the same. Afterwards, I took the cards and opened them into a large fan and had attendees randomly draw cards till the ace appeared. The suite of the ace was the winner.

During the shuffling process, Doc Nagl B/3/8 9/66- 9/67, made an announcement about the profits from his embroidered shirt sale and suggested that we give a second scholarship. This idea was met by a loud applause and we drew more cards until the second scholarship was awarded. Doc Nagl's shirts can be purchased over the internet by clicking under the scholarship info on the home section of our web site, www.ivydragoons.org. The profits go to scholarship fund.

After the banquet, brother and his wife, whom wish to remain anonymous, told me that they would sponsor one \$500.00 dollar scholarship, annually. The next day, one of the Dragoons company commanders told me that he and his men wanted to do the same, also requesting to remain anonymous. We Now have two scholarships guaranteed every year without fund raising. Now, consider, what "WE" can do, if the entire Brotherhood adds a few dollars! With all the donations received, our current balance in the fund is \$3,456.00.

Determining the winners this year could be done by a different method. We are still in our infancy, but as long as I chair this endeavor there will be no chance of favoritism. Edward G. Goehring B Co. 9/66 - 9/67 Chairman Scholarship Committee.

Ivy Dragoon's Scholarship Application

Complete this form and mail it to: Ed Goehring, 7429 Bell Gate Rd, Coopersburg, PA 18036

Members Name:
Phone:
Student's Name:
Student's Relation to Member:
Name and Type of School:
Address:

One application per student. Must be received by June 15.