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CHAPTER 21

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MEETINGS;

NO MORE MEETINGS TILL MARCH 2017;

THE ARNOLD AND SPRINGFIELD MEETING WILL BE BOTH IN MARCH. DATES WILL BE POSTED IN JANURAY.

THE LAST MEETING OF THE YEAR WAS A VERY SMALL ONE BUT A GOOD ONE. ONLY ONE MEMBER RON STEPHENS SHOWED UP OTHER THAN THE OFFICERS, DAN SARTORI, AND TOM DIMOND AND OF COURSE ME. IT WAS REAL GOOD SEEING RON AND TALKING TO HIM. I HOPE WE SEE RON AT MORE MEETINGS.

DONATIONS;

THE CHAPTER HAS RECEIVED DONATION FROM THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS THIS MONTH

THANK YOU NORM BOWERS, PAT BRENNAN, RON STEPHENS, ROBEY BEST AND DAN PARKER BETWEEN YOU GUYS THE CHAPTER GAINED \$568.00. LOVE YOU GUYS AIRBORNE I AM SITTING WITH TEARS IN MY EYES BECAUSE OF YOU GUYS, IT'S A WONDERFUL FEELING, NO PRESIDENT COULD ASK FOR A FINER GROUP OF PEOPLE TO LEAD. IF YOU LOOK BACK AT WANT THIS CHAPTER HAS ACCOMPLISHED IT, S TRULY AMAZING. I WISH MORE OF YOU GUYS WOULD COME TO THE MEETINGS, WE MAY BE ABLE TO DO MORE THAN WE HAVE ALREADY, WE HAVE MET EVERY GOAL THAT WE HAVE SET, GIVE OR TAKE A LITTLE. WHAT WE NEED TO THINK ABOUT OVER THE WINTER IS WANT OUR NEXT GOALS ARE, I KNOW WE WILL STAY WITH THE FOOD BANKS AND BREAD LINES AND THE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM, AND THE IL. VA DANVILLE RECREATIONAL PROGRAM. THE FISHER HOUSE IS ALWAYS IN NEED, AS YOU CAN SEE EVERYONE NEEDS US.

THIS CHAPTER NEEDS EACH AND EVERY ONE OF YOU IF WE ARE TO CONTINUE LEAD THE WAY

PAT BRENNAN ALSO GAVE ME A TUB FULL OF HERD PLAQUES SOME WITH COINS ON THEM SOME WITH RANGER TABS. I,M HAVING TROUBLE PASTEING PICTURES FRIST TIME USING WINDOWS10, BEFORE I SEND THIS OUT I WILL HAVE LEARNED HOW TO POST THE PICTURES. FOR CHAPTER MEMBERS THE PLAQUES WILL BE \$20.00 W\OUT COIN \$25.00 WITH COIN FOR NON CHAPTER MEMBERS \$25.00 AND \$30.00. OF COURSE THIS IS NOT SHIPPED TO YOU FOR THAT . SO COME TO THE MEETINGS AND GET ONE. THANK YOU PAT THESE PLAQUES WILL NOT ONLY MAKE THE CHAPTER MONEY BUT WILL BE USED TO GIVE TO MEMBERS THAT DESERVE SPECIAL RECOGNITION AGAIN PAT THANK YOU RLWT.

PAT BRANNAN HAS BEEN A FRIEND AND BROTHER FOR A LOT OF YEARS NOW . HE WAS A RANGER GOT OUT, AFTER 01 WENT BACK IN AND RECEIVED A SILVER STAR IN AFGHANISTAN SERVING WITH THE SCOUT PT. OF THE 2D BAT. OF 503 INF.

I HAVE BEEN TRYING TO GET PAT TO MEETINGS BUT AS OF MOST YOUNGER VETS THEY HAVE THINGS TO DO, FAMILYS TO RAISE, MONEY TO MAKE ,AS WE ALL DID YEARS AGO. WISH WE COULD FIND A HAPPY MEDIUM AND WE WILL. I THINK PAT WILL BE ONE OF OUR LEADERS IN THE FUTURE. WE NEED ALL THE YOUNGER VETS TO STEP UP AND BEGIN TO TAKE THEIR PLACE IN THE ASSOCATION AND CHAPTER. WE HAVE MANY IN THE CHAPTER THAT ARE CAPABLE OF DOING JUST THAT.

NEW MEMBERS;

THE CHAPTER HAS THREE NEW MEMBERS THAT WE WOULD LIKE TO WELCOME .

WE HAVE A UNCLE, NEPHEW TEAM

ELMER DELALOYE SERVED ON THE HILL IN 67 WITH THE 4^{TH} BAT. HIS NEPHEW

ERIC JEZIERSKI SERVED WITH THE 1-19 IN GERMANY 173RD ABN.

CHUCK BOWLES NOT SURE WHO CHUCK SERVED WITH YET. BUT WE KNOW IT WAS THE HERD.

WELCOME GUYS HOPE TO MEET YOU THREE SOON.



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MY GRANDAUGHTER ADDISON WE MADE THE CENTRAL ILL. ABC NEWS HAD A GREAT TIME AT HER SCHOOL. WAS THERE FOR VETERANS DAY 3RD GRADE



Left to right Air Force member Jack Owens with chapter member Ron Slingerland 172MID Detachment and chapter member Dan Kent E\4th bat 503rd inf. At the parade on Veterans Day at Branson MO.



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SOME OF THE PLAQUES PAT DONATED TO THE CHAPTER. IF ANYONE WOULD LIKE ONE PLEASE CONNECT ME.

JEFFERSON BARRACKS FOOD BANKK;

AS MOST US OF US KNOW, A MONTH AGO, THE JB FOOD BANK WAS IN TROUBLE {LACK OF FOOD AND MONEY}

DAN SARTORI INFORMED THE CHAPTER PLUS TWO OTHER VETERAN GROUPS HE BELONGS TO AND MANAGED TO COLLECT \$2.100.00. OF WHICH CHAPTER 21 LED THE WAY WITH A \$1000.00 DONATION. DON'T FORGET WE JUST GAVE THEM \$173.00 THE MONTH BEFORE. AFTER THAT OUR DANO COMMUNICATED WITH HIS OLD HIGH SCHOOL AND THEY FLOODED THE FOOD BANK WITH DONATIONS. AT THE SAME TIME THE MEDIA PICKED UP ON IT AND NOW THE FOOD BANK HAS PLENTLY OF FOOD ON HAND FOR THE HOILDAYS. THE CHAPTER STOOD TALL ON THIS MATTER AND WILL CONTINUE TO DO SO IN THE FUTURE. DAN SARTORI LED THE CHAPTER ON THIS AND STOOD THE TALLEST. THE CHAPTER IS LUCK TO HAVE MEN LIKE DAN. AIRBORNE BROTHER.



THIS IS FRANK DEMOS, CHOOSEN VETERAN OF THE YEAR AT VFW 4105 IN FLORISSANT MO. FRANK SEVERD WITH THE HERD FROM 7-67 TO 7-68.

MY ONLY QUESTION IS WHY FRANK IS NOT A CHAPTER MEMBER???????

ANYONE FROM FLORISSANT GO SIGH THIS GUY UP.

WOULD LIKE TO THANK PHIL WILLIAMS FOR THE PICTURES.

I RECEIVED NO OTHER PICTURES FROM VETERANS DAY. COME ON GUYS SEND THEM TO ME LET ME PUT THEM IN THIS NEWLETTER, NEXT MONTHS.

CHRISTMAS PARTY;

AT ONE EYED WILLIES PUB AND GRILL, 2924 TELEGRAPH ROAD, ST. LOUIS MO. 63125 HALF A MILE NORTH OF I-255 ON TELEGRAPH ROAD IN FRANVIEW PLAZA. IF ANYONE HAS A QUESTION CALL ME 217-299-0755 OR DAN AT 314-541-3896

ONE MORE THING WHEN SENDING CHECKS TO THE CHAPTER PLEASE MAKE THEM OUT TO CHAPTER 21 NOT ME, THANKS

OK GUYS TILL THE NEXT TIME CHAPTER 21 LEADING THE WAY OUT.



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