



# GATEWAY CHAPTER 173<sup>RD</sup> AIRBORNE ASSOCIATION

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What we once enjoyed and deeply loved we can never lose, for all that we love deeply becomes a part of us.

Helen Keller

We have lost a good brother, friend and loved one.

Scott Risi lost his last battle with cancer last week. Scott was a regular at Kokomo each year, he did get there this year, it was good we all got a chance to see him one last time. **SCOTT OUR BROTHER YOU WILL BE MISSED**

## Meetings

The Springfield meeting will be Nov. 10 at 2pm at the VFW on Stockyard RD. The Arnold meeting will be Nov. 18<sup>th</sup> at 2 pm at the VFW on Church rd. in Arnold Mo. Please all remember to bring can foods and other items for the Fisher house and Jefferson Barracks food pantry.

## Coming up.

**November 7<sup>th</sup> 2-11 pm the Fisher House fundraiser. It will be held at VFW Post 10302 at 2349 Stockyard Rd. Springfield Ill.**

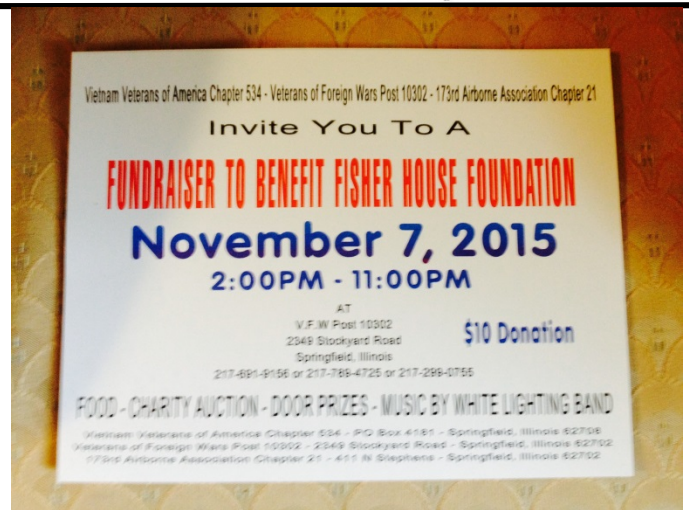
We have several members saying they will be there. For those that spend the night, my wife Pearl and I would like to take all out for a Sunday Bunch and a tour of Ill War memorials. It should be a real nice weekend.

Please come if you can, it's for a great cause plus it will be a nice gathering of Herd and other Veterans. If you can't come we will take a donation. Checks to the Fisher House sent here to 411 N. Stephens Springfield IL 62702

## November 11<sup>th</sup>

The Chapter has nothing planned. Enjoy your day brothers.

A few brothers are going to Branson Mo. Hope all turns out fine, would like to see a picture of the herd flag coming down the road.



Butch Benson John Schucte and chapter VP Dan Sartori enjoying the afternoon at Kokomo.





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Chapter Secretary Tom Dimond and 21 member George Strum, its either early in the morning or Toms had too much of something???????



It is General Bruce Grueschow The General is in charge of LZ Budweiser.

Kokomo is always so much fun. We all let our hair grow a little and try to be younger and I think we are for that time.

## Thanksgiving

Pearl and I wish all of you a joyful and peaceful Thanksgiving with your family and friends.

The Christmas Party December 5<sup>th</sup>

We are having a party for the chapter near St. Louis At one eyed Willies Pub and Grub 2924 Telegraph Rd. St Louis 63125 it is in the Franview Plaza shopping center less than a mile north of 255 on Telegraph Rd. on the right side. There are lots of hotels in the AO plus a Casino You guys that haven't make the meeting need to come to this and meet us, we are not a bad bunch you may like us. Please think about it we will have a good time an AIRBORNE TIME. Please call if you need more info. 217-299-0755.

From Me. Hey guys this is no bull. The Springfield meeting have to improve, we can't have meeting without you being there. You wanted something closer than Chicago you have it . We are an active unit providing the Veteran communities in our area a service, showing our commitment to the 173<sup>rd</sup> Airborne Brigade. This is something to be proud of, so come to the meetings guys and be part of this. We need you AATW

## The Sky Soldier Foundation [ Martin Jim Jr Scholarship ]

We will send in the rest of the scholarship money as soon as I receive a short biography of Martin to give to the recipient. I ,d like to thank Jim Jenkins for all the work he has done on this. Jim don't mind as he told me" I wouldn't be alive today if it wasn't for Martin"



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I would like to thank a few of you guys that seem to be there when I need something.

TOM DIMOND No matter what I need he's there to help he just ran all over St. Louis to find me and get me to where I needed to be, stayed with me while I was working for the Sky Soldier Foundation and got me back to my car. Thanks Tom Airborne.

Tim Goodwin Tim's is always there with a few dollars to help the chapter or the food banks. But this time he and his wife really did it up. The Fisher house in St Louis received a \$500.00 check in our name [Chapter 21]. It has been added to the fundraiser amount and so far just from the herd and its members I have received \$1323.00. I also received a \$50.00 check from George Strum at Kokomo. That's a Big Airborne for both members. I also got \$100.00 from Chapter 173 in Germany OUTSTANDING.

The 173<sup>rd</sup> Association \$500.00

Sky Soldier Foundation \$173.00

I think the Fisher House will know who the 173<sup>rd</sup> is from now on. Thanks.

If anyone need any info on the fundraiser please call me or email me.

The Christmas Party will be a good time a chance for both sides of the river to get to know each other, over in time to go back home if you wish, or we can get a hotel and party as late as we wish. Please try hard to be there.

Ok guys till we meet again AIRBORNE