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Hey guy's spring is here. They are playing baseball, things feel good and the grass is getting green. Warm air is on its way time to plan on what to do this summer.

WELL THE CHAPTER NEEDS YOUR HELP ON THE 28TH AND 29TH OF MAY. WE ARE NOW WORKING ON THE STORES. THEY [THE STORES] WILL BE IN THE ST. LOUIS AREA AND THE ST. CHARLES AREA IN MO. WE WILL HAVE A STORE HERE IN SPRINGFIELD ILL. WE NEED SKY SOLDIERS TO STAND IN FRONT OF THE STORES AND ASK FOR DONATIONS FOR THE CHAPTERS CHARITIES WORK. WE HAVE SIGNS MADE UP THAT LET THE PEOPLE KNOW WHO WE ARE AND WHO WE HELP. WE WILL BE HANDING OUT AMERICAN FLAGS TO THOSE THAT DONATE, ALSO WE WILL HAVE A HISTORY OF THE 173RD TO HAND OUT FROM VIETNAM TO TODAY.

WE NEED TO RAISE ENOUGH MONEY TO SUPPORT THE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM \$1,173.00 AND THEN SOME FOR THE FOOD BANKS AND ANYTHING THAT COMES UP. IF YOU CAN HELP FOR A FEW HOURS ON ONE OR TWO OF THESE DAYS PLEASE LET ME KNOW 217-299-0755. IF YOU WOULD LIKE BUT CAN,T YOU CAN SEND IN A DONATION, LET ME KNOW WHAT YOU WANT IT TO GO TO AND IT WILL. THANKS TO THOSE WHO HAVE ALREADY COMMITTED TO WORK WE DO NEED MORE HELP COME ON GUYS THE CHAPTER NEED YOU~!!!!

AN AIRBORNE THANK YOU;

A FEW GUYS STEPPED UP TO THE PLATE FOR THIS FUNDRAISER AND ARE LEADING THE WAY.

A BIG 'ALL THE WAY' TO BILL DeARMOND, TIM GOODWIN AND DON STEPP. THESE GUYS ARE FINDING THE STORES AND WILL BE SITTING IT UP WITH MANAGEMENT. OH CAN,T FORGET JIM TAYLOR HE IS THE LEAD HERE IN SPRINGFIELD IL. THANKS MEN IT REALLY MAKES MY JOB EASIER. AIRBORNE.

WHILE I,M THANKING THIS FUNDRAISER COST MONEY THE FLAGS COST \$345.54 THE THREE SIGNS WERE \$205.50. SO FAR WE HAVE TIM GOODWIN \$200.00

DAN KENT \$100.00 ROBEEY BEST \$100.00 AND KAISER STERBINSKY \$100.00 DONATING MONEY TO COVER THIS COST. ANOTHER ALL THE WAY.

I COULDN,T END THIS WITHOUT A BIG AIRBORNE TO JOE BROWN. HE HAS PLEDGED \$25.00 A MONTH TO THE SCHOLRASHIP PROGRAM. JOE IS A BIG MAN WITH A BIG HEART.

I HAVE SAID THIS BEFORE AND I,LL SAY IT AGAIN 'I LOVE YOU GUYS.

WE WILL BE DOING THIS AGAIN LATER IN THE YEAR SEPTEMBER MAYBE.

Meetings;

NEXT ARNOLD MEETING APRIL 4TH THE FIRST MONDAY OF THE MONTH 2PM AT THE VFW ON CHURCH RD.

WE ARE MEETING EVERY OTHER MONTH.

THE NEXT SPRINGFIELD MEETING IS MAY 10TH 2 PM AT THE VFW ON STOCKYARD RD.

DON,T FORGET THE FOOD BANKS;;

IT IS VERY INPORTANT THAT YOU ATTEND THESE TWO MEETINGS IF YOU WISH TO HELP WITH THE FUNDRAISER. PLEASE THE CHAPTER NEEDS YOU.

OFFICERS;

AT THE SPRINGFIELD MEETING ALL IN ATTENDANCE VOTED FOR CW SHERER FOR THE NEW TREASURE. WE MUST WAIT TILL ARNOLD VOTES IN APRIL BY I AM SURE CW WILL BE VOTED IN.

CW HAS An IMPRESSIVE BIO AND I HOPE TO START PRINTING BIOS OF ALL YOU GUYS SOON. HERE IS JUST A LITTLE ABOUT CW IN VIETNAM CW SERVED WITH THE 5TH GROUP SPECIAL FORCES UP TILL DAK TO THEN CW WAS THE CO. OF D CO 3D BAT IN 68, HE RETIRED AS A MAJOR IN 2004.

JIM TAYLOR OUR LAST TREASURER ALSO RETIRED AS A MAJOR HE SERVED WITH THE 319TH. HE HAS BEEN



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LOOKING FOR A 319TH COIN FOR YEARS, GOT TIRED OF LOOKING AND HAS MAKE UP HIS OWN 319TH COIN AND WILL BE SELLING THEM SOON. JIM TOLD US AT THE SPRINGFIELD MEETING AS SOON AS HE MAKES HIS MONEY BACK ANYTHING AFTER THAT IS THE CHAPTERS. I THINK THAT DESERVES A BIG "ALL THE WAY" FROM THE CHAPTER. OK ALL YOU COIN COLLECTERS AND THOSE THAT WERE WITH THE 319TH CALL ME OR JIM AND ORDER YOUR COINS. ME 217-299-0755 JIM 217-725-1572 PICK THEM UP AT A MEETING \$10.00 SHIPPED TO YOU \$15.00.

RECENTLY SPRINGFIELD IL. HAD TWO TORNADOES TOUCH DOWN ONE NEAR MY HOME I RECEIVED SEVERAL EMAILS AND TEXTS FROM MEMBERS OF THE CHAPTER WANTING TO BE SURE PEARL AND I WERE SAFE. TO BE HONEST IT TOUCHED MY HEART THANK YOU BROTHERS

I NEED TO CORRECT SOMETHING. IN THE LAST NEWSLETTER LISTING THE NEW MEMBERS I LISTED BRETT BEYER AS BEING WITH THE WRONG UNIT BRITT SEVERD WITH D CO. 16TH ARMOR SORRY BRETT.

PICNIC;

WE HAVE A CHAPTER PICNIC, BOUGHT AND PAID FOR AUG. 27TH. AS SOON AS DAN SARTORI GETS HOME I HOPE HE WILL BE ABLE TO GET MORE INFO OUT TO US ABOUT THE PICNIC. WE HOPE TO HAVE TOURS OF THE MUSEUMS ON THE GROUNDS THERE, GAMES FOR ALL AGES AND GOOD FOOD AND GOOD FELLOWSHIP, WHAT MORE COULD ANY PARATROOPER WANT.

2017 SCHOLASHIP;

THIS IS THE MAIN PROGRAM FOR THIS CHAPTER. THE FUNDRAISER WE TALKED ABOUT WILL RAISE THE MONEY FOR OUR SECOND SCHOLASHIP.

THIS YEAR IT WILL BE NAMED FOR GARY FORKUM. GARY SERVED WITH THE 4TH BAT IN 1968 K.I.A. 12-22-68. HIS NAME WAS TURNED IN BY TOM DIMOND. THEY BOTH SERVED TOGETHER TOM WAS THERE WHEN HE DIED. HIS FAMILY WILL BE NOTIFIED THAT THE CHAPTER IS DOING THIS AND WHY. WE ALL NEED TO COME TOGETHER AND MAKE THIS HAPPEN. THIS WILL BE THE SECOND SCHOLASHIP FROM CHAPTER 21. THIS WILL BE AN EVERY YEAR PROGRAM FOR CHAPTER 21 I HOPE FOR AS LONG AS WE EXIST.

Bill DeArmond WANTS TO PUT TOGETHER A SMALL BOOK LIKE THING THAT WILL HAVE OUR PICTURES AND A SMALL BIT OF INFO. I SENT ALL AN EMAIL ON IT ALONG WITH WHAT INFO IS NEEDED. IF I CAN I WILL ATTACH ANOTHER WITH THIS LETTER. IF I CAN'T I WILL SEND IT OUT RIGHT AFTER I SEND THIS NEWSLETTER.

I THINK IT S A GOOD THING ALL MEMBERS WILL BE ABLE TO HAVE ONE AND BE ABLE TO SEE WHO IS IN THE CHAPTER, SO PLEASE RESPOND TO IT AND GET IN IT.

OK GUYS I CANT ATTACH BILL,S EMAIL SO I WILL BE SENDING IT OUT AGAIN SOON.

PEARL AND I HOPE ALL HAD A NICE EASTER .

TAKE CARE 21 LEADING THE WAY.



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