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MEETINGS;

NOVEMBER 8TH [HILL 65] 2; 00 PM AT THE VFW AT 2349 STOCKYARD RD. 62702.

GUYS THIS WILL BE THE LAST MEETING OF THE YEAR.

WITH WINTER COMING WE WILL BUNKER IN AND JUST TRY AND STAY WARM.

WE MAY START THE 2017 YEAR IN MARCH WE WILL WAIT AND SEE WHAT THE WEATHER IS DOING.



ROSS PELTON 1ST MARINES, HOLKEY HOLCOMB 2/1 CAV, AND DAN [FRED] FREDRICK 173RD ABN.

AT THE SANDBOX REUNION IN KOKOMO THIS JUNE. IT WAS THE SECOND REUNION FOR THE YOUNGER VETS, THERE WAS ABOUT 1500 VETS AND THEIR FAMILYS THERE, NOT A BAD TURNOUT FOR THE SECOND YEAR. NEXT JUNE WILL BE THE THIRD YEAR. PLAN ON ATTENDING NEXT YEAR.



THIS IS SKY SOLDIER OF THE YEAR GEORGE STRUM OF NEB. WITH HIS VETERAN BREAKFAST GROUP.

GEORGE DONATES MONEY TO THE CHAPTER EVERY FEW MONTHS AND AT KOKOMO HE DONATED HIS TIME AND SOLD ABOUT \$500.00 WORTH OF OUR CHAPTER COINS THERE. GOOD TO HAVE GUYS LIKE GEORGE IN THE CHAPTER.



DAN HANDING SKY SOLDIER OF THE YEAR JOE BROWN HIS CERTIFICATE AT A MEETING IN ARNOLD. NEXT IS AL ROSEN, BILL DeARMOND, JIM JENKINS, PHIL WILLIAMS, AND JIM BENTON, I TOOK THE SHOT

JOE HAS BEEN A SOLID MEMBER OF THE CHAPTER SINCE THE START, HE NOT ONLY DRIVES ABOUT 500 ROUND TRIP TO EACH MEETING HE DONATES A VERY HEALTHY CHECK TO THE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM EACH MEETING. LAST MEETING IN ARNOLD ONLY FOUR OF



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US, JOE WAS ONE OF TWO THAT BOUGHT COATS FOR THE KIDS HE ALSO GAVE ME A CHECK FOR \$200.00 FOR THE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM. AIRBORNE BIG BOY WE LOVE YOU.

ALSO BILL DeARMOND BOUGHT IN SIX COATS AT THE ARNOLD MEETING AND DAN SARTIOR NOT AT THE MEETING DONATED \$40.00, AL ROSEN NOT PRESENT BUT DONATED \$15.00. FROM THE LAST SPRINGFIELD MEETING DAN KENT BROUGHT IN TWO COATS. WE RECEIVED A DONATION FROM ROBEY BEST FOR \$100.00 AND WE HAVE PUT IT TO THE COAT PROGRAM. ALSO A \$60.00 DONATION FROM DAN PARKER. CARL AND SHARON DODD BOUGHT TWO COATS ALSO THANK YOU ALL.

WE ARE SUPPORTING THE VETERANS ASSISTANCE COMMISION IN SPRINGFIELD IL. THEY ASK ME FOR ADULT COATS FOR THE VETERAN THAT REALLY NEED OUR HELP. SO FOR EACK KID COAT WE HAVE THE CHAPTER WILL BUY AN ADULT COAT, HAT, AND GLOVES I WILL TRY AND PUT A TOTAL ON THE COATS BY THE END OF THIS NEWSLETTER.

CHAPLAIN, S CORNER

MARGART 'PEG' PARKER WIFE OF CHAPTER MEMBER DAN PARKER DIED IN HER SLEEP IN HER HOME. DAN AND PEG WERE MARRIED 49 YEARS. OUR SYMPATHY GOES OUT TO DAN AND MIA [GRANDDAUGHTER].

PLEASE, IF ANY ONE HAS A FAMILY MEMBER THEY WOULD LIKE PUT ON THE CHAPTER PRAYER LIST, PLEASE CONTACT ME AT sgtski2503@att.net.

I TALKED TO CW SCHERER THE OTHER DAY. HE IS DOING FINE, WORKING HARD AS SPECIAL OPS. GUY WOULD. YOU KNOW WE ARE BEHIND YOU BROTHER. LOOKING FORWARD TO SEEING YOU AT THE SPRING MEETING. WE LOVE YOU MAN.

WE ARE LOOKING FOR A CHAPLIN. SOMEONE TO SEND OUT CARDS, AND SAY THE RIGHT THINGS. THE CHAPTER

OF COURSE WILL PAY FOR ALL EXPENSES. IF YOU ARE INTERESTED CALL ME 217-299-0755

JEFFERSON BARRACKS FOOD BANK



TWO PICTURES ABOVE;

PICTURES OF TOM DIMOND AND DAN SARTORI PRESENTING OUR CHECK TO THE J. B. FOOD BANK. WHAT IS WRONG HERE LOOK AT THE SHELVES ALMOST EMPTY? WE DIDNT HAVE TIME TO HAVE TWO MEETINGS BEFORE THANKSGIVING SO I SPOKE TO ALL



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THE OFFICERS AND EMAILED ALL OF YOU, ALL IN FAVOR OF GIVING THE JB FOOD BANK A \$1000.00 DONATION. OUR V.P. DAN HAS GONE TWO STEPS BEYOND THAT, AND RAISED \$1,100 FROM TWO OTHER VETERAN ORGANIZATIONS FOR THE FOOD BANK. An AIRBORNE SALUTE TO DAN. I LOVE IT WHEN A HERD GUY TAKES THE LEAD. WE DID CHALLENGED THE 82D AIRBORNE TO MATCH OUR \$1000.00 AS IT TURNED OUT CHAPTER 21 IS LEADING THE WAY. IF ANYONE WOULD LIKE TO GO WITH DAN TO THE JB FOOD BANK, PLEASE CALL DAN AND LET HIM KNOW. I WILL BE FISHING SO I CANT BE THERE.

CHRISTMAS PARTY;

IN THE NEXT COUPLE WEEKS WE WILL COME UP WITH A CHAPTER CHRISTMAS PARTY.

WINTER MEETING;

I WILL BE ATTENDING THE WINTER MEETINGS IN OKLAHOMA CITY IN JAN.17 ANYONE WISHING TO GO WITH ME PLEASE CONTRACT ME SOON.

THE COAT DRIVE;

UNBELIEVEABLE, IN THE SHORT TIME WE HAD TO PUT THIS TOGETHER WE HAVE COLLECTED OVER 35 COATS 15 SWEATERS THE CHAPTER HAS BOUGHT 14 OF THE COATS PLUS 35 PAIRS OF GLOVES AND 30 HATS. WE ALSO GOT TOOTH BRUSHES, TOOTH PASTE, MOUTH WASH THINGS OF THAT NATURE. WE MADE A GOOD SHOWING AND NEXT YEAR WE WILL START ON THIS A LITTLE EARLIER SO WE CAN DO MORE. I DO WISH TO THANK MY WIFE PEARL, WITH SMART SHOPPING SHE SAVED THE CHAPTER LOTS OF MONEY, IF I WOULD HAVE DONE IT I WOULD HAVE SPENT TWICE AS MUCH.



THESE ARE THE COATS, HATS, AND GLOVES WE HAVE COLLECTED AND BOUGHT. THE VETERANS ASSISTANCE COMM. WILL BE HERE FRIDAY MORNING TO PICK ALL THIS UP. WE DID GOOD AND WILL CONTINUE TO DO SO.

OK GUYS THAT ALL I HAVE AT THIS TIME.

21 LEADING THE WAY.