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From the TC Hatch - The President's Corner

By Jim Segars



Dear Members,

During this time of uncertainty, I am happy we have a way to communicate, that is, our newsletter. This has been a difficult year to be able to represent you. With the covid outbreak, I could not get on base to show support for LTC Dustin Daubert as I normally do, nor attend functions as often as I have in the past. Therefore, first I'd like to say to LTC Daubert that he's valued, appreciated, and loved by our association. And so is his staff. The 1/50th is a great unit!

In spite of all that has happened in our country, we are still the land of the free and home of the brave and one nation under God. If we encourage and hold one another up no matter what, our association will always be a band of brothers.

I am pleased to say that we will have a reunion the week of June 21st. More details will be in the next newsletter.

Page | ¹Veteran's Day is fast approaching.

We salute each of you as our nation's finest. Many local programs will be available for you to attend and be honored as you so rightly deserve.

May all of you have a Happy Thanksgiving, a Merry Christmas, and a Blessed New Year, all full of good health, love, and family! Remember the Reason for the Season. Take care! Be safe!

> Play the Game, Jimmy Segars



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Chaplin's Corner

Well guess what at the time of this writing it is November 1st. Hopefully the election will turn out for the betterment of our country. And the only way that will happen is we start out on our knees and ask God to guide our vote.

I haven't got a lot to say this time around except hopefully I'll shake this flu bug in a couple more days, have had it for five days so maybe I'm on the downhill slide now.

It was good to hear we are still planning the next reunion this spring so let's all stay as safe as possible and have a good attendance so we can see some friends we haven't seen in a while, be safe and we'll see you this spring sometime. God Bless, Toby.



Letter from the Editor

Greetings:

It is the time of year we give thanks and celebrate our saviors birth.

So, I am at it again. What can we do as individuals to help others through this "no contact" holiday season? Drive by birthday and Thanksgiving wishes. Make up a basket and take it to a family in need. Send cards. Video chat with anyone and everyone. Put up pictures of family members around the table and pray for each one to stay safe and healthy and for whatever needs they may have. Go head and bake cookies and wrap them up in individual packages (I put them in saran wrap three at a time.), then deliver them to friends and neighbors. Make homemade Christmas cards. What do you enjoy making? Share it with someone, it may be just the lift they need. The ideas are endless, so many sites you can go on to get ideas, if you are stumped. Pinterest has tons of ideas.

Am thanking God for the friends and family that continue to stay close. I praise God for this extended family.

Keep safe and healthy: Lorene Burch: editor thelmaburch@gmail.com

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Reunion 2021

Greetings:

For planning purposes at this time, we are *tentatively* looking at conducting our reunion during the week beginning 21 June next year. D 1/50 graduates on 25 June and that is the earliest practical date that ends in a graduation ceremony. All of this is contingent on COVID 19, of course.

The format will likely follow the pattern we have established over the years. With recent updates in the Infantry Museum I'm told we should add it back to our schedule. Whatever we can do, safely, will be welcome if it brings us back together again. This year has been rough on many of our members, some more so than others, but the sensing I have is we are beyond ready to see each other.

As things progress I will continue to bring you updates. I hope to have more to report for the next newsletter. In the meantime, stay safe and Play the Game!

Take care, wash your hands and Play the Game!

John Topper



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Jay Copley -Award

Gentlemen-

Jay was awarded a recognition for Wounded Warriors by the Sons of the American Revolution chapter here in Columbus at the SAR Monument on Heritage Walk at the NIM today - he was nominated by COL(R) Rob Choppa [President of the National Infantry Association] - a great day for Jay and for the 50th Infantry!

FIX BAYONETS! PLAY THE GAME!!

Chris

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Contact Information

If you would like to check in on what is going on at any time you can go to our web page at: https://www.ichiban1.org/html/contacts.htm. At this site you can get information on how to get ahold of the officers of the association and so much more. So, reconnect with your fellow brothers and sisters of the 1/50th.

If you would like submit an item for the news letter, send me the information at the lmaburch @gmail.com. Don't have a computer? No problem...write to me at Lorene Burch, 821 Meadowbrook Rd. Salina, Kansas 67401. Would love to hear from you all. It would be a nice problem to try to fit things into the newsletter than to try to fill space, without filling it with dribble.

Jim Sheppard would love to hear from you about your experiences (so would I) and if you can identify anyone from some of the photos he has. kiss-ac@juno.com.



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One of our fun things for this year. Roger and I would like to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy new Year.



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