

September 9, 1991

Veterans' Day 1991 is just around the corner, and for those who are interested in attending the annual First Cavalry Division Association reunion in Washington, D.C., just turn this page over and find information about the weekend. The Association will be staying at the Hyatt, while the "Jumping Mustangs" Chapter of 1/8 are sponsoring several hotels as shown in the lower right hand corner. So far, Jim Nix, Ed Waterman, and I are planning to stay at the Rosslyn Westpark. Wayne "Range 6" Tubaugh and other Range 68 members are staying at the Hyatt Regency in downtown Washington, D.C. Contact Wayne for further information, if interested. But, no matter where you stay, we all hope that you will attend the reunion on this special weekend.

1991 has been a good year so far regarding veteran activities. I started the new year right by watching the football games on New Years Day in Jim Nix's living room. With his cooler right beside his easy chair, he has the right idea. In April, my wife who is deathly afraid of flying, had to fly on business, and I offered to hold her hand on the plane as I reluctantly flew to St. Croix, V.I. Tough assignment, eh? Knowing that "Cosmo" had a V.I. social security number, I happened to mention that fact to some fellows in the local American Legion. The bartender made a phone call, and I gave the person on the other end Cosmo's name and number and mentioned where I was staying. The next morning, the person called the hotel room and said: "He's not in the Virgin Islands; he's in Puerto Rico. Here's his address." What luck! Plus, not only did I find Cosmo, but found Flor Adorno, who was in touch with Cosmo. And finally, Bill Rodriguez, while in Puerto Rico, found a member of Range through Flor; Luis Alicea, the only other man I knew who went to the same place as I for R & R; Penang. Where?

In May, I attended the 8th Cavalry Regiment reunion in Fayetteville, NC. Most of those attending were from World War II and Korea. The only other Vietnam Veteran besides myself was David Dolby, Medal of Honor Recipient from 1/8. Clyde Dalrymple came down from Sanford, and we went through some pictures together. He came with his two fine sons. Next year's Regiment reunion will be in Cleveland, Ohio, the weekend after Mothers Day.

In July, we had a mini-reunion in Myrtle Beach, SC. Nick Donvito, Jim Nix, and their families rented a condo, and my wife and I pulled in mid-week. Ed Waterman and his family were in the area, and we had some good times. We saw Steve "Frenchy" Faucher at his place in NC on the way North and were sorry that we had to miss seeing John Malpass and his family that Friday night.

Still in July, I journeyed to Nashville, TN to attend the "Range 91" reunion. Even though these men came well after I left country (most went into Cambodia), the fact that we were all members of "Range Platoon" made all the difference in the world. I really felt welcome and had a wonderful time. A couple of men from my tour, G.G. Mullins and Randy Whitman came by with their wives for a nice visit and trip down memory lane. In talking to the fellow Range members, I learned a lot about what came after my tour in 69-70. After hearing about LZ Becky, LZ Illingsworth, and Cambodia, LZ Carol and "Ghost Mountain" didn't seem so bad. Perhaps, Range 93 will be bigger and better. As far as location suggestions go, how about K. C. in 93?

Now it's time for D.C. Please try to find time and join me at the "Wall" when I pay my respects to the following D 2/8 Troopers:

Richard Arthur Coffey	4Nov65	3E17
Eddie Lee Hill	4Nov65	3E18
Terry Allen Rippy	22Apr66	6E128
Fermin Saldana, Jr.	23May66	7E106
Michael Douglas Derosier	19Sep66	10E117
Paul Edward Floyd, Jr.	14Oct66	11E73
Michael E. Bennett	1Nov67	28E107
Richard Allan Carlson	24May68	67E5
Larry Dean Novak	24May68	68E5
Jacob Robinson Weldin	6Jun68	59W17
Brian Carl Winner	7Jun68	58W1
Robert James Ross	1Jul68	54W32
Roger Theodore Fast	19Aug68	48W54
Ronald Duane Golden	20Aug68	47W7
Michael John Cromie	18Nov68	38W6
Raymond Joseph Ahern, Jr.	26Nov68	38W63

Willie Gerald Jones	4Dec68	37W40
Donald Robert Stoltz	4Dec68	37W42
William Charles Williams	4Dec68	37W44
Elliot Velez-Rodriguez	21Jan69	34W54
Warren Reed Eskridge	28Jan69	33W7
Carl Dale Pipher	28Jan69	33W11
James Edmonds	5Feb69	33W62
Chester Jon Kmit	5Feb69	33W65
Hugh Henry Sarah	23Sep69	17W1
Anthony Jack Carlucci	20Nov69	16W98
Henry Tony Rava	18Feb70	13W31
Kenneth Michael Flashner	28Feb70	13W68
Francis Louis Ware III	6Mar70	13W89
Craig Thomas Waterman	3Sep70	7W37

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## Flight Information

For those of you who plan to fly in, Jim COURT of Action Travel has arranged discount fares for us. Fly American Airlines to Washington, DC (National or Dulles) and save 5% to 45% on your airline tickets.

5% off Supersaver fares and 45% off full coach or first class fares. Valid for travel only on American Airlines for the period of November 5, 1991 through November 14, 1991. Call American Airlines toll free at 1-800-433-1790 and ask for file #03N18F (Veterans Day). If any problems arise or if you must fly another airline, contact: Action Travel, 416 N. Cody Ave., Harding, MT 59034 or call 1-800-331-1580. The earlier you book your flight the more money you will save!

Once again the MG George W. Casey Sq. (VA, MD, DC) will host the annual 1st Cavalry Division Association Mini-Reunion and the National Veterans Day Ceremonies in Washington, DC from November 8 to November 11, 1991.

The CP will be located once again in the luxurious Hyatt Arlington. The management and staff are eagerly awaiting our arrival.

For reservations call Hyatt's toll free number 1-800-233-1234 and identify yourself as being with the 1st Cavalry Division Association and give them our special number 0-502. You can also call the hotel direct at 1-703-525-1234 if the reservation line is busy or if there is a problem and ask for the sales manager, Janet SPRAGUE. Rates in the DC area are high, but the Hyatt has reduced our rates to \$77.00 for single or double occupancy. These rooms usually rent for \$200.00 a night and up.

When you arrive and are using the Metro, get off at the Roslyn stop. The Hyatt is across the street 1/2 block.

## Thrifty Car Rental

For those of you wishing to have your own transportation, we have made arrangements with Thrifty Car Rentals. If you do need transportation consider Thrifty, this will help the Chapter defer some of the cost of courier service around the DC area during the 3 days. Thrifty of Metropolitan Washington DC is offering the following preferred rental rates to the 1st Cavalry Division Association: Economy and Compact - \$27.00/day; Mid-size - \$30.00/day; Full size - \$32.00/day; and 7 passenger van - \$45.00/day.

Rates are in effect for November 7 to November 14, 1991. These rates includes 150 free miles. To receive the special rates you must call their local reservation center at 1-703-658-2200. Please have your airline flight information available when making your car reservation.

## Schedule of Events

### Friday - November 8, 1991

7 pm - 1 am  
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Hospitality Room  
Gift Shop

### Saturday - November 9, 1991

10am - 5 pm  
10am - 5 pm  
6 pm -

Morning Free  
Hospitality Room  
Gift Shop  
La Drang Valley Alumni Dinner and Awards Banquet\*

### Sunday - November 10, 1991

8 am - 12pm  
10am - 5 pm  
10am - 5 pm  
6 pm - 10pm  
10pm - 2 am  
10pm - 2 am

Chapel Services at Ft. Myer  
Hospitality Room  
Gift Shop  
Korean War Dinner\*\*  
Hospitality Room  
Gift Shop

### Monday - November 11, 1991

11 am  
12:30pm  
3 pm - 5 pm  
3 pm - 5 pm

Services at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier (By Invitation Only)  
Services at the Wall  
Hospitality Room  
Gift Shop

\* La Drang Dinner and Awards Banquet ticket cost is \$35.00 each.  
\*\* Korean War Dinner ticket cost is \$30.00 each.

The Dinners are open to All Veterans and their guests, no matter when or where you served or even which branch of service. We welcome ALL OUR BROTHERS.

Send your dinner reservations check payable to Bill KREISCHER, 1406 Devonshire Rd., Hauppauge, NY 11788. Please specify which dinner you will be attending or both if you wish.

Please send dinner reservations EARLY as the final count is needed by October 25, 1991!

For any additional information call John SETELIN at 804-264-3766

## Special Help Available

Anyone needing special help in getting to the hotel upon arrival Friday or Saturday, please contact John SETELIN at 1-804-264-3766 between 5 p.m. and 9 p.m. daily. John will need to know the date and time of your arrival, the airline and flight number and which airport. The Chapter will provide a handicap van or the next best thing for your convenience.

## HOTELS: ARRANGEMENTS MADE BY 1/8 JUMPING MUSTANGS CHAP.

"No Greater Love" has made special arrangements for blocks of 50 rooms in the following Hotels. Contact the hotel of your choice and state that you are with the "No Greater Love" group to make a reservation. To insure a reservation, do this as soon as possible, and not later than 16 October.

Best Western Rosslyn WestPark.....\$60.-- plus tax  
1900 N. Fort Myer Dr. (703) 527-4814

Holiday Inn (Key Bridge).....\$59.-- plus tax  
1850 N. Fort Myer Dr. (703) 522-0400 or 1-800-HOLIDAY

Sheraton National Hotel.....\$75.-- plus tax  
Columbia Pike & Washington Blvd (703) 521-1900  
or 1-800-325-3535