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The site of the 2008 Reunion Memorial Service. This is a former moving wall which was purchased by veterans of the Altoona area and placed on the grounds of the James E. Van Zandt Medical Center. Fire Base Eagle currently oversees The Wall That Heals. Fire Base Eagle is a non-profit organization that is out to inform and educate the public about combat operations in Vietnam and to honor its veterans.

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Presidents Message

By Bob Hemphill

First, I want to thank the membership present at the Reunion in Altoona for electing me President of this wonderful organization. After the Reunion, I had a passing thought: 'Does this mean that I'm Bravo 6 again?' I dismissed that thought right away, because I know this organization is not a command, in spite of the name. No, this is a brotherhood in every sense of the word. It is an organization of people who went through a traumatic experience together, who still care about each other after all these years, and who still miss those who are no longer with us. It is an organization which I am proud to represent, and I thank you for the opportunity.



Second, I want to thank those of you who attended the Reunion for coming. It certainly would not have been the same without each of you. I hope you enjoyed seeing the other guys as much as I did. And, of course, there were the war stories. Though some were remembered a little less clearly than others, they were all valuable to our sense of fellowship.

Third, I would like to thank John Gority and his crew for the great job they did in planning and putting on the Reunion. It is no easy feat in accomplishing such a mission. In addition to sitting down and planning everything that must happen each day of the gathering, everything to make those plans happen must be coordinated and arranged, including entertainment, feeding, lodging and the venue for the Reunion. It is certainly a time-consuming job, and John did it well. Thanks, John.

Now, we will be looking forward to the next Reunion in Missouri in 2010. I am confident that Larry and Lisa will do themselves - and us - proud as they host us in the Ozark Mountains. Please begin to make plans to join us there. As soon as dates are firmed up, we'll let you know so you can make your time and travel arrangements. Since this one is in the middle of the country, hopefully it will be accessible to all our members.

If you were not able to make it to Altoona, you missed another good one. I hope you will be able to correct that oversight in 2010. I guarantee you that you won't be sorry that you attended. If you have never been to one of our Bravo Company reunions, you have missed the opportunity to make or renew acquaintances with people who shared the same experiences you did long ago. Most of our members who attend a Reunion for the first time express regret that they waited so long to attend one. So, please make sure that you have no reason to regret missing another one. Come to the Ozarks. Besides, you may have the opportunity to visit Fort Leonard Wood....

Take Care **Bob Hemphill**

Chaplains Message By Ted Rowley

After arriving home I sat and reflected on many images in my mind. Faces and smiles from long ago of the greatest guys I've ever known, my comrades. Also, of all the guys, gals and kids at a great reunion. As I closed my chickens up for the night, I noticed thousands of fire flies over the golden fields of winter wheat across from my house. The light of the beautiful sunset cast the 80 acre field of wheat with the dark outline of the woods some three or four hundred yards to the north. I can still hear the Altoona train going through, on its way to Tim Buck Two. Hauling steel, coal, tractors and logs of trees, what a great memory are all of these. A great



wall of black with a Bravo crown in the black, guys and gals in an unending circle of love and at the head of the circle the Great White Dove. We read their names and honored their memory you see and that's the way it should be.

It is now September 3, and finding the right thing to say is absurd. After writing articles for the newsletter over the last eight years it's not easy to come up with new stuff.

We need to thank everyone involved with making the reunion possible. It takes time and energy, donations of all kinds and if you ask someone why would you donate ten dollars or a thousand dollars, and their answer would be, because I can. We the men and woman of Bravo Co. are donating two hundred dollars to the Ronald McDonald House in Milwaukee, at the Childrens Hospital. This money from the quilt raffle is a small amount to give to such a great facility, as my daughter Michelle and family can attest. Why are we, the men and families of B Co. doing this, because we can. We will be rewarded ten fold.

Matthew: 17-27

But we don't want to offend these people. So go to the lake and drop in a line. Pull up the first fish you hook and in its mouth you will find a coin worth enough for my Temple tax and yours. Take it and pay them our taxes.

Luke: 1-46

Mary said, My heart praises the Lord my soul is glad because of God my Savior, for he has remembered me, his lowly servant. From now on all people will call me happy, because of the great things the Mighty God has done for me.

It was His plan forty two years ago not mine, for me to be drafted and serve with some of the bravest guys I've ever known.

Why did I build a memorial 13 years ago, why have I been involved with our B Co activities and why have attended as many reunions as I could and drove thousands of miles to get there? Because I could.

Deeds not words.

Gods Blessing to all.

Ted

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2008 Business Meeting

On July 12, 2008 the bi-annual Bravo Association business meeting was called to order by Financial President Silberies. Report was given by Treasurer John Otte. The membership was advised that do to the increase in costs for the publication of the newsletter, as well as other expenses of the Association, the dues were no longer sufficient to cover these costs. Suggestions were made as to how to solve this problem. The matter was tabled until after the election of new officers was held. Their first order of business Would be to decide on a course of action to remedy the financial issues confronting the associa-

At our 2006 business meeting our by-laws were amened to allow for the Vice president to ascend to the office of president. The only offices held for election will be that of Vice President, Treasurer/Locater, Secretary/ Newsletter Editor.

<u>Dennis Amily</u> was nominated for the office of Vice-President and elected by acclamation.

<u>John Otte</u> was nominated for the office of Treasurer/Locater and elected by acclamation.

<u>Walt Shugart</u> was nominated for the office of Secretary/Newsletter Editor and was elected by acclamation.

Meeting Adjourned





Editors Notes...... By Walt Shugart



In a moment of weakness with and a nudge from my wife at our reunion in Altoona during the business meeting, I agreed to be the editor of our newsletter for the next two

years. Actually, this first issue of my tenure is still being done by John Otte from his desk in California; however, with this issue I wish to advise you of some of the changes being brought to its publication which were discussed and decided by the membership as a whole at the business meeting.

First, as a result of rising expenses and increased mailing costs, *Bravo Regulars* will be published three instead of four times a year. This is the initial issue. Subsequent issues will be published and distributed in December, April and August of each year.

Second, again to reduce costs, we are encouraging members who have computers are encouraged to download the complete newsletter from the internet. Our web master will post it at the Bravo Regular website as soon as he receives it. We need to here from all of you who would like to receive your newsletter via the webpage, simply email (bravo6xray@aol.com) and ask to be placed on the list. You will then be avised each time the newsletter is on the webpage and ready to be Members with e-mail addresses which our locator has, will be advised its availability at the website. The newsletter will not be mailed to those who have signed up to receive their newsletter via the webpage (<u>www.bravoregulars.com</u>). One advantage of using the website is that the newsletter can be viewed in all its glory in full color.

Third, I'm looking for you our members and readers to provide the bulk of the content. While it remains my responsibility to edit your submissions, I'm looking for your input to provide variety to its content.

Finally, as previously mentioned, the cost of publication has driven the association to reduce the number of issues published annually. Enclosed with this issue, find an envelope addressed to our treasurer. Take a moment, write a check for your annual voluntary dues made out to Bravo Regulars, enclose it in the envelope with postage attached including any personal news you might wish to share with the membership, and put it in the mail. While this won't change the frequency of the newsletter being published, it will assure that the association remains on a sound financial foundation as well as providing input for future editions of our newsletter.

"Deeds not Words!"

Walt Shugart, Editor

NEWSLETTERS ON LINE For more information see Editors Notes

Membership Dues, Its Not Too Late

In our June Newsletter we included a dues invoice. It's not to late to send your dues. Enclosed you will find a envelope addressed to our Treasurer John Otte for your convenience. Thanks

Financial Report

July Beginning Balance	\$5693.55
Income	3308.37
Expense	953.42
July Ending Balance	8048.50
August Beginning Balance	8048.50
Income	281.38
Expense	0
August Ending Balance	\$8329.88



Charles Rock 7/17/08

George M. Hicks 8/11/07





The Wall That Heals, Altoona, PA



Chaplain Ted Rowley conducts Bravo Company Memorial Service



The lovely ladies of Bravo Company with A few grand kids thrown in, at the 2008 Reunion



Bravo Company Museum on wheels was built and pulled to the Reunion by Dennis Amily and needs to be seen to be believed. Dennis truly believes in our regimental motto "Deeds Not Words"

Bravo Regulars



Group photo taken after to Bravo Memorial Service



John Dingle and Mark De Long



John Dingle and James Howton



Jack Zuverink and Jim Ash

2008 Reunion Hats

The reunion hats sold out and many of the guys asked about purchasing additional hats. John Gority has arranged to order more of the hats. So anyone that would like to get the 2008 Reunion hat/hats can place your order through John Otte. The hats are \$15 + shipping.



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Bravo Regulars In Memory

Members of Bravo Company 3rd Battalion 22nd Infantry Who lost their lives in Vietnam

12/17/66	JESSIE Y. GOMEZ (11b), TEMPE, AZ	
12/18/66	WILLIAM J. MADSEN (11C), CHICAGO, IL	
	SCOTT S. WEBBER (11C) 20 LOS ANGELES, CA	
12/20/66	JAMES F. HARRIS (11B) 18, COLUMBUS, OH	
12/21/66	EDWARD L. BROCK (11D) 28, MT. VERNON, WA MARVIN T. HUGHES (11B) 30, CLEVELAND, OH	
	WILLIAM D. MULLINS (11B) 33, ADA, OK	
	NORMAN TOENNIES (11B) 20, ALBERS, IL	
	VINCENTE ZUNIGA (11B), 20, FRESNO, CA	
01/21/67	LOUIS J. WANDLER (MEDIC), 20, STEVENSVILLE, MT	
03/19/67	MARLIN C EVERSGERD (11B), 20, GERMANTOWN, IL	
	JACK M. GOSNELL (11B), 20, BALTIMORE, MD	
	ROBERT L. LINN (11B), 22, NILES, MI PAUL J. MCGOWAN (11C), 20, CHICAGO, IL	
	**LOUIS SAS (11C), PHILADELPHIA, PA	
	DONALD L. SCHROEDER (11B) 26, SPRINGFIELD, IL	
	DONALD W. WALTERS (11C) 20, SOUTHGATE, CA	
	RODNEY R. WEED (11C) 20, YAKIMA, WA	
	THOMAS J. DANDO (11B) 22, CLIFTON, NJ	
02/21/67	FRED H. PATTERSON (11B), 29. APPOMATTOX, VA HERMANN E ANDERS (11B), 22, GREENS, NY	
03/21/67	KENNETH G. BLANTON (11C) 21, FLORISSANT, MO	
	JAMES R HINTZ (11B), 21, DETROIT, MI	
	BRIAN F. GIBBONS (11B), 20, NEW YORK, NY	
	CHARLES R. GREER (11B), 21, THAYER, KS	
	VIRGIL M. LEDFORD (11B), 22, JOPLIN, MO	
	EDWARD J. MULLER (11B), 21, POPULAR BLUFF, MO	
	THOMAS R. TALMMADGE (11B), 21, SPARTA, NJ LARRY L. WARNOCK (11B), 20, BUFFALO, WY	
04/01/67	ALLEN S. MICAN (11C), 20, EL CAMPO, TX	
04/08/67	JIMMY C. HARPER (11C), 20, ST LOUIS, MO	
04/10/67	SALVADORE M. NAVA (11B), 20, NILAND, CA	
06/02/67	ALBERT GRAHAM (11B), 24, BAKERSFIELD, CA	
07/06/67	JERRY R. BEEBE (11B) 20, BRAINERD, MN	
08/19/67 09/26/67	BAXTER H. ELLIS (11B) 21, CAVEL, NC JAMES R. WATANABE (11B), 23, OXNARD, CA	
10/22/67	LARRY R MCDUFFIE (11B), 20, PHENIX CITY, AL	
11/01/67	***LOUIS E. ARMSTRONG (11B), 21, EDINGTON, NC	
	BERTMANN E. MILLER (11B) 23, PACIFIC, MO	
11/28/67	DARRELL H MOREY (11B), 24, RAVENNA, MI	
12/02/67	*** GEORGE L. DUPLESSIS (11B) 20, NEW ORLEANS, LA	
01/02/68 01/15/68	ODELL STOKES JR. (MEDIC), 20, NEWTON, NC	
01/15/08	KENNETH R. HOWELL (11B), 19, DRAPER, NC ERNEST T. MARTIN (11B) 28, COMPTON, CA	
	THOMAS R. WATTS (11B) 21, LOS ANGELES, CA	
	CHARLES W. IRBY (11B), 19, HILLSBORO, IL	
	RICHARD H. WALKER (PL) 23, SPOKAN, WA	
01/31/68	LUEY V HOLLAND (11B) 24, RIVERSIDE, CA	
02/10/68 02/19/68	ROBERT R GRAY (11B), 19, ATHOL, MA DONALD P. ROEMER (11B), 22 E AMHERST, NY	
02/19/00	BOBBIE E. SIKES (11B), 20, EXTENSION, LA	
	JOHN E. MILANOWSKI (MEDIC) MILWAUKEE, WI	
02/23/68	LOUIS A MARTINEZ (11B), 20, LEMING, TX	
04/12/68	EDWARD C. BECKWITH (11B), 21, TROUT, LA	
	ALAN P. BUTKIS (COOK), 20, CHICAGO, IL	
	JOHN E. CUNNINGHAM (11B), 21, MEMPHIS, TN	
	ROBERT W. ELLSWORTH (11B), 22, PUEBLO, CO WILLIAM E. MAXWELL (11B), 20, BARBERTON, OH	
	ROBERT L. MELTON (11B) 20, ROCKY MOUNT., NC	
	GLENN MOLLER (11B), 21, GLENDALE, MO	
	REYNALDO N. OROZCO (11B), 20, SINTON, TX	
	DAVID STRUPP (11B), 21, SPARTA, NJ	

04/12/68	DONNY G. TIDWELL (11B), 21, DIANA, TX
	DOUGLAS R. WEIHER (11B), 21, MILWAUKEE, WI
	BILLY J. BROWN (36K), 24, CHICAGO, IL
	RICHARD G. BECK (11B), 20, CHICAGO, IL
05/44/00	
05/14/68	EDWARD D. CROW (11C), 20, COLUMBUS, GA
	GEORGE L. MUNDY (11B), 22, RICHMOND, VA
	ELDON D. COLDREN (11B), 20, ROCKFORD, IL
09/11/68	LONNIE E. LUNDY (11B), 20, DETROIT, AL
	DANIEL B. PERSONS (11B), 19, MINNEAPOLIS, MN
09/20/68	ROGER A. DIXON (11C), 20, RICHMOND, VA
01/16/69	GIUSEPPE MAGRI (PL), 25, NEW YORK, NY
	RANDALL J. WICKLACE (11B), 21, ATKIN, MN
	SCOTT M. SIBSON (11B), 21, OIL CITY, PA
02/23/69	FRANKLIN M LANIER (11B), 19, WINNABOW, NC
03/12/69	LOUIS CASTRO (PSG) 32, UNION, CA
04/13/69	ROGER W. HOOD (11B), 20, CHOTEAU, MT
	MICHAEL D. HOWARD (MEDIC), 20, OKLAHOMA CITY, OK
	DAVID A. TRINKALA (COOK), 24, HEIDELBERG, PA
05/11/69	WILLIAM M. CRUISE (11B), 21, WAPPINGERS FALLS, NY
06/06/69	BRUCE A. EAMICK (11B), 21, WOLCOTTVILE, IN
08/08/69	WALTER J. HOGANS (PL), 24, NEWVILLE, AL
10/05/69	ELVIS E. MULLEN (11B), 20, MEMPHIS, TN
10/00/00	FLORENCIO Q. MARQUEZ (11B), 20, WESTMORELAND, CA
10/25/69	LUIS LE BRON (11B), 20, NEWARK, NJ
01/30/70	GEORGE O. BOATWRIGHT (11B), 23, FLORENCE, MS
02/16/70	
	***BOBBY G. SWANSON (11B), 21, HOUSTON, TX
03/28/70	GARY R. METZ (11B), 23, ADRIAN, MI
08/31/70	JAMES E. DUCKWORTH (11B), 20, CULLMAN, AL
	WILLIAM I. ALLSBROOK (11B), 21, TARBORO, NC
10/02/70	BRUCE J. STICKEL (11B), 21, FEDERAL WAY, WA
	DAVID F. TINSEY (11B), 24, HURON, MI
11/02/70	JIMMY W. WESTBROOK (MEDIC), 21, SANFORD, CO
11/13/70	NAME UNKNOWN, (KIT CARSON SCOUT)
	STEPHAN J KASTER (PL), 23, COON RAPIDS, MN
	ROBERT H. GUMM (11B), 20, COWEN, WV
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NOTES:

• Jessie Y Gomez, listed assigned 1st Cav Div. In CACCF

** Louis Sas listed on HHC 3/22 morning report 19 Mar 67

*** Louis Armstrong was assigned to Bravo 3/22, but later transferered to the 213th AHC as a door gunnerand was KIA in a CH47 crash.

****George L. Duplessis and Bobby G. Swanson served with Bravo 3/22 but had transferred to another unit and were KIA while assigned to those units.

Summary - MOS and/or Duty Assignment added after names in Parentheses.

11B - Infantry		68
11C - Mortar		11
11D - Heavy Weapons		1
Medic		4
Cook		2
Unk - unknown		1
PSG - Platoon Sergeant		2
PL - Platoon Leader		4
Kit Carson Scout		1
	Total	94