REMEMBERING POWs and MIAs at the Candlelight Vigil

Halloween Party

TOGETHER THEN...TOGETHER NOW

October 2006

Issue 93
It’s been a busy month for me with my Ma breaking her arm and chapter business. At this month’s Board meeting I appointed Bruce VanApeldoorn as chair of the finance committee with Joe Peck stepping up to help. The finance committee will be looking to come up with a format for the finance report that will be easy for the members to understand. They will also be preparing for the upcoming budget for 2007. I just want to remind everyone that the budget request forms have gone out and are due in the chapter by November 1 this year. If you have not received one please contact Barb in the office or myself. Another big project we will be doing is updating our procedure manual and if anyone would like to help please let me know or if you see things that you think should be changed also let us know.

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Until next month stay safe and as always remember,

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Attendance
July 14, 2006

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For more information about the Stars & Stripes celebration, contact Ellen Warren at 585-546-1081.
Marching Unit
Ray Melens, Commander

It is now time to start thinking about Veterans Day. Yes, once again it’s only around the corner. We will be holding our annual service on Saturday, November 11th at 6:00 PM at the Vietnam Veterans Memorial in Highland Park. We do not read names at this service, only on Memorial Day. Volunteers from the Marching Unit are needed to partake in the ceremony. Please E-mail or phone me right away if you will be partaking in the ceremony. Hopefully once again this year, immediately following the service we will have our tailgate party again. Last year Ralph Pascale offered to make chili and all the fixings for those in attendance after the ceremony. It really turned out to be a great idea and we all had a good time. Please plan on attending once again, the Marching Unit’s Tailgate party after the ceremony on Veterans Day.

Members of the Marching Unit were invited to attend a service and ceremony at Sampson State Park this year. The event was held on Saturday, August 8th. It was called ‘A Salute to the Troops’. They held a small parade, consisting of several local Color Guards and the Buffalo Soldiers and us from Rochester. They had some vendors there to sell food and military T’s. While there we were able to tour the museum. It was quite an interesting day. Most importantly though, our troops, past and present were honored and remembered. There is talk of it occurring annually and if they do, they will invite us back. Hopefully next year we will have a larger group in attendance. On Saturday August 26th, the annual Marching Unit picnic was held at Ira Jacobson. Even though it was not as well attended as in years past, it was still a good time for all those that did attend. Food was good, company was good, weather was good, and a great time was had by all. The highlight of this year’s picnic was the presentation of a certificate making someone in attendance an ’HONORARY MARINE’. It was decided by several MARINE members of the Marching Unit that this title should be bestowed upon someone who has been fighting a tough fight for the past several years with first one disease and now a second one. The second has caused this person to undergo chemotherapy treatments, resulting in hair loss. Now that it has started to grow back, I can remember this person commenting to me and saying that she called it her Marine haircut and that she wore it like ‘A Badge of

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Honor’, as she rightly should. So at the picnic it was my honor and that of the Marines that were present, to present Sue Oleksyn with a certificate stating that we considered her an Honorary Marine for she has been fighting these health battles for several years now and, just like a Marine, fighting back and not giving up the fight. The best part of this presentation was that we also gave her a key ring that plays the Marine Corps Hymn for her to play whenever she’s having a bad day. So she knows that she is not fighting this war alone and that her fellow Marines are in there fighting with her. Well, her husband Dick, (former Army) has called me to complain that she has been wak- ing him up playing that key ring at 0500 hours (that’s 5 AM to you civilians) and telling him that it’s time to go out and do his morning run. You gotta love her! So Marines, whenever you see Sue, be sure to give her a big “SEMPER FI”!

Be sure to check your November issue of the BTL for a full report and pictures from the 10th annual trip to the Wall, for National POW/MIA Recognition Day, and also on the 10th anniversary of the dedication of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial in Highland Park.

The Honor Guard will resume meeting again at the October membership meeting. We meet upstairs at Ira at 7:00 PM before the regular membership meeting. All Honor Guard members are asked to attend and anyone considering joining the Honor Guard is welcome to attend as well.

POW-MIA
Gail Bologna-Melens, Co-ordinator

I can’t believe that September is gone and October is upon us. Where did the summer go? I guess we all say that every year. Can you imagine being a parent or spouse of one of the 1,801 remaining POW-MIA’s? Every year you think this will be the year that we know.

A total of 782 U.S. personnel have been accounted for since 1975. We all know that some will never be recovered or accounted for as their bodies were lost over water or fragmented in an explosion and a multitude of other things that can occur. But, this month one more was accounted for and one more family found closure.

Major Burke H Morgan, USAF, was lost while on an armed reconnaissance mission over Laos on August 22, 1967, while flying an A-26A Invader aircraft. Major Morgan’s re- mains were excavated from a burial site near his downed aircraft and turned over by the Lao Government
on February 17, 2005. Major Morgan was buried at the U.S. Air Force Academy on September 7, 2006, to coincide with his academy class reunion there.

September along with being the month of POW-MIA awareness is also the month of the Breast Cancer Walk in Rochester and other cities. I myself am a survivor (1998) and I have the greatest regard for all of the people that I have met through the years who are fighting their battle. I think it sets your priorities straight and gives you a whole new set of values. There are so many of us just in Chapter 20 alone. I won’t mention names but you are all in my thoughts especially this month of September.

The thank you letters are still going out. We have sent 75 letters out thus far. If you see a house or business that flies the POW/MIA and American flags please send me their house number and street and zip code or town name. I will send them a letter of thanks.

Also, at our monthly meeting the flag give-away is continuing. A name is drawn and the recipient receives a 3x5 American flag and 2x3 POW/MIA flag. The only conditions are that you have a place to fly them, and that you have not received a flag set in the past 12 months, also one per family. This is one way that we are trying to increase awareness of this issue. POW/MIA car window decals are also available at the monthly meeting.

Help us REMEMBER them. If we don’t - who will?

Agent Orange/Health Affairs
Sue Oleksyn, Coordinator

As Election Day approaches, make sure to become enlightened and VOTE so that the best interests of “We, the people” are the first order of our public servants. It is also important to let your public servants know personally that the rights and health benefits for our noble veterans must be the first order of this nation and need to be mandated for our noble veterans who defend and protect our freedom.

Send me an email at soleksyn@yahoo.com with some ways that you feel Chapter 20 can outreach to veterans and be of service to them relative to their health issues.

Finally, thanks go to those who are serving on Chapter 20’s Board, LLC and Committees, State and National VVA officers and also to the Marching Unit and Honor Guard who are the greatest at presenting Chapter 20 to the community and advocating for veterans with dignity and honor. These people put in hours and hours of their own time with selfless dedication to help all veterans. Step up, join in and make a difference by helping in whatever way you can. Together, we are limitless.

God bless our troops, their families, all U.S. veterans and their loved ones and may God richly bless and protect America. Peace.

Veterans Incarcerated
Ron Trovato, Chair

Good News Dept. – Ernie Bullock is due to be released on August 30, 2006 and will be reunited with his family in Auburn. His wife Regina correctly predicted several months ago that he would be granted parole. I do not doubt he will lead a highly successful and productive life. According to Regina, Ernie will be attending some seminary classes at Roberts Wesleyan College here in Rochester. Ernie’s contributions to VVA while incarcerated at Auburn
for 20 years and later at Groveland are indeed legendary. He led the old fashioned way, by personal example. I have known Ernie since 1988 and I can attest to his commitment to incarcerated veterans and to VVA as an organization. His wife Regina’s story is also truly inspirational and we wish Ernie and his family the best of luck.

Thanks to Bobby Ahalt and the guys at Chapter 205 (Auburn Correctional Facility) for their most informative newsletter and for keeping in touch. Chapter 205’s general membership meeting was scheduled for August 18 and their POW/MIA service will be held in the chapel on September 4th. We also need to thank longtime Chapter 205 supporter Rev. Paul Partridge for his recent donations of $250.00 to the guys at 205.

Chapter 20 recently donated $100 to Chapters 205, 489 (Attica) and 603 (Groveland) to help defray expenses and we just received a thank you from Jim Strollo, longtime Chapter 603 staff advisor. His service to VVA and constant influence on 603 should also be recognized.

The Vietnam Veterans Group San Quentin recently had elections and we wish the newly elected officers well. According to Jeff Langnese, their chapter received a nice thank you letter from Lt. Col. Lori Noyes, Ramstein Air Force Base, for the 100 phone cards that the VVG-SQ donated to wounded troops. The Golden Gate Chapter of the 82nd Airborne Assn. also assisted in getting a discount from Walmart on the phone cards. Of the 100 cards, 40 each were donated by the VVGSQ and the 82nd Airborne Assn. and 20 by Walmart. It is interesting to note that this whole process was started by an article in VVA Chapter 205’s November 2005 newsletter detailing the needs of wounded Iraqi veterans. Great job all around, guys! You have to pick your spots but you can really make the system work when everyone is going in the same direction.

Things seem to be going pretty well for Chapter 190, Atmore, Alabama and we are in regular contact with Craig McLaren there. In their recent newsletter The Eagle Speaks, Chapter 20’s renowned Fred Elliot was recognized for providing them with VVAs updated incarcerated chapters list. Fred is a longtime supporter of this committee, has gone in to visit incarcerated veterans on a regular basis and provides us with a strong voice at National. And to think Ken Moore and I almost cost him the election at Anaheim years back when we campaigned for him…..

And finally, we all need to once again thank BTL editor Bruce McDaniel for his outstanding contributions to veterans incarcerated. We know that many incarcerated chapters receive this newsletter and its positive impact on these guys should not be underestimated. It is indeed a “great rag” and Bruce does grind it out month after month… year after year…..

We thank the members of VVA Chapter 190/N.I.V.N. for their kind words in their newsletter, The Eagle Speaks:

We want to especially THANK Mr. Bruce McDaniel, Editor of the Chapter #20 newsletter, the Award-winning ‘Between The Lines’ for a consistently Great rag. We know that there are many Incar. Chapters who receive and share it. Our Best Wishes to your Board & membership for their generosity.
Thrift Store Food Storage
Kathleen Ryan

I’m happy to report that the worst of the food storage problem has been taken care of. One Saturday a small group assembled and sorted through the huge gaylord by the shipping doors. This was a collection of approx. 100 white postal service bins filled with bags of groceries... the 100 is my guess. I can only say that by the time we were finished, it felt like a thousand. In any event, these bins contained the proceeds of the post office-sponsored food drive from this past spring.

Not only was the gaylord emptied, so was the store room. Lots of things were discarded. All perishables (rice, pasta, cake mixes, etc) were taken to St. Joseph’s House on South Avenue, a local food cupboard/soup kitchen/emergency shelter that serves the poor and homeless in Rochester.

The goods that are left in the store room are set aside for the Thanksgiving baskets. These goods are canned and bottled things that the mice cannot damage.

My heartfelt thanks to those who volunteered to get this job done, especially to Pat, Nelson, Pete, Cecil and Nick, who spent many hours at the store to complete this task. And thanks to those who offered, but whose schedules prevented them from getting involved. I also want to mention that Gary was terrific with his help as we plowed through this mountain of stuff.

So, that’s that for the food storage problem. We’ll have to decide how to handle the Thanksgiving baskets soon, but that will be simple by comparison. :-)

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The State University of New York at Brockport, the National Vietnam Veterans Art Museum, Chicago, IL and the New York State Western District Chapters of the Vietnam Veterans of America present The Things We Carried Art Exhibit.

The National Vietnam Veterans Art Museum, http://www.nvvam.org/, houses over 1,500 works of art, including paintings, photography, sculpture, poetry and music. All works in the museum’s permanent collection were created by 125 artists, who chronicled their individual experiences from the Vietnam War. The exhibit at SUNY Brockport will present a portion of these works for the viewing pleasure of all Western New Yorkers.

SUNY Brockport, http://www.brockport.edu/, is the main sponsor for this exhibit which will be housed at the Drake Memorial Library on the school campus. Inspired by the Freshman Summer Reading selection, The Things They Carried by Tim O’Brien, this exhibit is one of a number of events planned throughout the fall semester incorporating themes from the book. For more information about events planned go to http://www.brockport.edu/~firstyear.

Vietnam Veterans of America Chapters for the Western New York, http://www.nyvietnamvets.org/new_york_state_council.htm, area will provide exhibits of the various equipment, artifacts and exhibits that local veterans brought back from their tours of duty. Ted Wilkinson, Western District Director for the New York State Council of VVA has coordinated the participation of Chapter 20, Rochester; Chapter 77, Tonawanda; Chapter 193, Leroy; Chapter 268, Lockport; Chapter 459, Cassadaga; Chapter 681, Niagara Falls and Chapter 865, Jamestown.

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