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75th RANGER REGIMENT ASSOCIATION INC.

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TO: 75TH RANGER REGIMENT ASSOC.

I have just returned from the 50th Ranger anniversary held at Ft. Benning. I am not a Ranger, but I will always consider myself part of the "Ranger Family" because I'm a Rangers mom. The association allowed me to join as an associate member after my son, Frank Winters C/1/75 was killed in a helicopter accident at Fort Bragg in 1987. Members of the association, especially Bob Gilbert and Roy Boatman have provided me with a great deal of help. They have gone out of their way to include me in the associations activities at the reunions and this most recent reunion was no exception. It was because of this special "Rangers caring for Rangers" attitude that I unexpectedly found myself face to face with 2 of Franks friends who were on the helicopter at the time of the accident. This chance meeting enabled me to talk for the first time about Frank and the accident with those who were actually there. As I read in the "Compassionate Friends" newsletter "Time heals our grief, but the need to have our child remembered intensifies." You will never know what this meeting means to me as I continue the healing process! Frank was extremely proud to be a Ranger and it helps me to know that he was doing what he loved to do when he died. (Of course as a typical Ranger, combat would have been his first choice!) When I first visited his grave at Arlington for the first time I realized that something was missing - the Ranger Tab. That tab that meant so much to him is now inscribed as a permanent part of his headstone. I understand more than ever how special all Rangers are and that they really don't forget their fellow Rangers. I feel fortunate to be associated with such an outstanding group of people and you can count on me for continued support. **SUSAN WINTERS**

TO: ASSOCIATION MEMBERS

I would like to impart to each and every member of the 75th Ranger Regiment Association, my heartfelt appreciation for the opportunity to serve as your President during the next two years. I look to each of you as a resource for leadership

of this Association. Please use your Directors as the conduit for those actions. Bob Gilbert, under adverse conditions, did yeoman labor during the past two years. Each of us owes him a debt of appreciation for that leadership. This Association "Charges On" because of Rangers such as Bob. Duke DuShane has added to the prestige of this Association through his extraordinary artwork and counsel. We can never repay Duke for his time and efforts. Roy Boatman and Greg Krahll will continue with their superb efforts as Secretary and Treasurer. Without this nucleus of continuity, this Association would surely founder, the wives of the members stand behind their husbands and are very supportive of their activities and endeavors. Someone in the Membership Meeting said "We ought to organize the wives". Apparently that person hasn't attempted that adventure. The wives are getting with it without our prompting. The volunteerism shown by Sara Gilbert and others will show the way. A couple of incidents occurred during the days we spent in Columbus, Georgia. Remember, if you take from the Association without consent, you take from the membership. Enough said!! Remember, we are an association. We have no political aims. In the final analysis, we are a brotherhood. We have shared what others may never share. "Charlie Mike" **ROY NELSON, PRESIDENT**

MEMBERSHIP

Many of the other Ranger Associations and some active duty units habitually refer to the 75th Ranger Regiment Association as a Vietnam Era Association. Some of the active duty Rangers have been led to believe they are not eligible for full membership. This is simply not true. **Full voting membership is available to all active duty Rangers who are serving in the Regiment or have served in the Regiment in the past.** Membership is available any time the Ranger has the desire to be associated with his brother RANGERS from Vietnam, Grenada, Panama, Iraq and the active duty Rangers.

IT'S A SMALL RANGER WORLD

I've been out of Vietnam and the Rangers almost 22 years and never run into a soul I've served with. Damn, if I didn't join the Association and see that Roman Buettner F/75 just joined us. I've been looking for him for years! I had a hell of a surprise in Feb. 1980. I was living in Phoenix, AZ and bought an old hardware store in a little town northwest of Phoenix. Chester and Ella Davis, the old couple who owned it were going to retire. Ella had cancer and was having chemotherapy. Chester said that he would stay and help me learn the business for 30 days. During that month I found out they had a son killed in Vietnam. Chester didn't say too much about it and I wasn't going to press it. The last day we worked together, Chester was cleaning out this big old safe he had since 1946. He said that his boy was killed in the invasion of Cambodia in June of 1970. I told him that I had come home two weeks before the invasion and had done a lot of recon in that area with the Rangers. Chester looked at me and said "my son was a Ranger". I asked him if he knew what company he was in because I knew my old company F/75 went into Cambodia. Well, in the safe was a list of Don's personal effects sent home. Damn if he wasn't in F/75. About this time I started thinking about Don Davis and remembered meeting him on a stand down in base camp at Cu Chi. He was in 2nd Platoon, same as Buettner. I didn't know him very well but he said he was from Arizona. Talk about a weird feeling!! I still see Chester when I go back to Wickenburg, AZ. The last time I saw him I gave him a couple of books all about the Rangers and told him to read them. I think he'll get some insight into what his son did in Vietnam. **RAY ARMSTRONG F/75**

THE WORST WALK

If something is written in stone, it is probably foolish to dispute it. But, the other day I was hoping the stone would be wrong. And, for a brief moment, I thought it was. Ultimately, though, the stone was correct and I was corrected. Of my many mistakes, few will match the sadness of my arguing with the stone.

64-888. Surely it wouldn't be here. I had found the 64 with some slight difficulty. But, the 844 was very elusive. As I look back now, it is clear that its elusiveness was only proper. It shouldn't have been here, at least not yet. Too much yet to be done, yet to be healed. Looking back, 64-844 would not let itself be easily found. At least not to me.

64-1280 and down the row. At this point, my worst walk had degenerated to many fearful and hopeful stops and starts. As I near 64-900, a long cadillac brings another number to its stone. My search momentarily stops as I render the proper respect. After the new number is said goodbye to, I

continue.

64-850, and then, nothing. A huge gap. The stone is wrong. My wet eyes dance all around and my drooping shoulders straighten. The stone is wrong. Thank God for mistakes. For the first time since my walk began, a proper normal breath and heartbeat. Leave now, I thought, and leave happy.

But, no, I must check one more row. Just to confirm the wrongness of the stone. Crossing the gap to the unseen stone, my sad fears return and the stone corrects me. 64-849, 64-848, 64-847, 64-846, 64-845. Too late to stop and leave. 64-844. My brain asks questions that will never be answered.

If that stone is there, I will surrender to it. I accept the stone, what it says, and contains. But, there is too much grass hiding it. Work to be done. After cleaning the area around the stone and photographing it with my minor treasures, I speak to the stone. I never knew it well enough that I could have done anything to slow it down. Did I not share enough with you or you with me? At this moment, neither of us belong here. But, I will leave and you will stay. Was this also true of our past?

As I leave one of the best men I have ever known, underneath stone, I think of another stone. A long, long black one. This stone I will finally see before the day is out. Until this worst walk, I didn't feel right about the long black wall. I didn't think I had anything to share with that wall. My emotions, fears, and tears didn't belong there with those who did. I now do. Airborne Ranger Medic Mike Creamer N/75. Now you are there. Lose no more sleep, have no more nightmares, worry no more about broken bodies. **TIMOTHY DEMPSY HHC/75**

RABEL HALL

Along with Lazslo Rabel 74th LRP, being enshrined in the Ranger Hall of Fame, the Ranger Training Brigade has named the LRSU class room after him. The importance of this honor to this Association cannot be over emphasized. The recognition of the LRRP & LRP and their contribution to Ranger history was long overlooked. The Ranger training Brigade under the leadership of Col. Maher and CSM Heckard and the rest of the Officers & NCO's will long have the gratitude of the 75th Ranger Regiment Association. **HOOAH**



RANGERS



LEAD THE WAY

TEXAS VETERAN'S DAY PARADE

Inviting all Rangers from all wars to march in a Veteran's Day Parade in Austin Texas. T.S. Gonzales personally invites all LRRP, LRP & Rangers of the Vietnam Era who live in the state of Texas to help make this Veteran's Day in The Year of the Ranger, special. Please contact the below listed individuals for exact times and place.

SPEEDY GONZALES O/75

T.S. Gonzales	Roger Morquez
PO Box 14303	OR 2658 Piping Rock Trl
Austin, TX 78761	Austin, TX 78748
512-926-5777	512-280-2131

NEW MEMBERS

MELVIN RHODES F/75, LISLE BROOK B/2/75, PHILLIP DAVIS F/75, JAMES BARTOSZEK C/3/75, WILLIAM CARLSON B/1/75, DAVID REGENTHAL F/75, RICHARD WILLIAMS P/75, MICHAEL MARTENS F/75, KIM MAXIN B/75, RICHARD SEITZ B/75, TERRY BISHOP P/75, WILLIAM PALMER 74TH, FRED STUCKEY F/75, EDWARD EISENHOUR C/75, DARRYL BENTON C/75, STEVE BAUER C/75, STEPHEN MANTOOTH C/75, STEVEN GOVE C/75, MARK MILLER 1/101 LRRP, DAVID FLANNERY K/75, MARK TAYLOR A/2/75, LESTER HITE F/58, JAMES JOHNSON F/425 LRSU, JOHN GAY I/75, DOUGLAS JACKSON A/75, JAMES MORAN L/75, RONALD COON 4TH DIV LRRPS, JOSEPH COALE B/1/75, WILLIAM DAVIS B/75, EVERETT CRESS E/20, BILL ESTILL K/75, JIMMY HATFIELD C/1/75, EMMETT HILTBAND F/75, GARY HUND I/75, CALVIN MORSE 36TH RGR BN, LARRY McNEW P/75, EDWIN MARKUT F/51, FRANK HOLTZAPPLE P/75, PRESTON BYERS LRSU, MINOR HOPKINS N/75, TERRY LAMBERT L/75, RUDY LOPEZ 1/101, ROY SIMPSON K/75, HUGH ANDERSON F/75, GARY LEMONDS F/75, SCOTT WHALEY P/75, ROBERT McCONNELL C/3/75, TEDDY GODWIN B/75, GLENN ELSEBERRY F/58, JACKIE DAWSON L/75, JAMES MONROE L/75, JAMES FOREMAN O/75, LEONARD OUTLAW P/75, SCOTT COOK F/75, JEFFERY JOHNSTON B/1/75, THOMAS KEANE 3/75, THOMAS ECKHOFF N/75 WELCOME Y'ALL

DONATIONS

Cleveland Frazier, James Taylor, Frank Johnson, John Hochtritt, James Gierlach, Darol Walker, James Jordan, Jeffery Cole, Michael Chu, Charles Rose, Marvin Duren, Ricky Brumley, Walter Butts, David Mete, Michael Katchur, William Mrkvicka, George McDonnell, Keonie May, Rudy Lopez, Jim Suomela, Phil Kossa, James Foreman, David Hazelton, Roy Nelson, Mel Bernard, James Schwartz, James Barkman, Gilbert Halverson, Roger Roberts, Gabriel Dominguez, Richard Martin, Joan Bartz, David Brandenburg, Danny Stevenson, Michael Plunkett, C. Larry Rhodes, Thomas Blue, Edwin Lee, Danny Dominguez,

Andrew Connelly, Victor Haines, Steven Woodson, Joseph Gentile, Douglas Flanagan, Joseph Cassilly, Cathy Hodges, Richard Dudley, James Dumas, Keonie May, Todd Hansen, Frank Anderson, David Harris, Frederick Autrey, Matthew Dezee, Bonifacio Romo, Willaim Gawthrop, Thomas Finnie, VAAD, Charles Kankel, Joey Welsh, Robert Newsom, Frederick White, Robert Burkhardt, John Kingeter, Peter Mossman, Danny Niehauser, Norris Fulford, Duke DuShane, Tony Novella, Frank Feil, James Nutter, John Meli, Edward Doherty, Michael Warner, Robin Duane, Ernest Martinez, Robert McHardy, John Kiefel, Garry Norsworthy, David Bennett, Thomas Brooks. If I missed any one, please accept the 1000 pushups I've already done this week. The generosity of the members continues to amaze us all. SECRETARY

75TH RANGER REGIMENT ASSOCIATION INC. STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AT 30 JUNE 1992

ASSETS

COLUMBUS BANK & TRUST (CHECKING)	\$6,935.02
COLUMBUS BANK & TRUST (CD) **	\$4,507.41
ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE	\$ 334.00

	\$11,776.43

LIABILITIES & FUND BALANCES

LIABILITIES:	
REUNION EXPENSES PAYABLE	\$ 320.64
GENERAL FUND BALANCE	
FLAG FUND BALANCE ***	\$ 0.00
PLAQUE FUND BALANCE	\$ 619.58
MONUMENT FUND BALANCE	\$4,800.91

TOTAL FUND BALANCES:	\$11,455.79

TOTAL LIABILITIES & FUND BALANCES: \$11,776.43

** Certificate of Deposit (Monument Fund)

*** Colors on order from Korea (excess moved to CD)

BEST DRESSED RANGER

It seems that Shelby Stanton (author of RANGERS AT WAR) was never sure about what to wear to the different functions that were scheduled for the 50th Anniversary and the Association reunion. He showed up at the reception at General White's house dressed in coat and tie (the only one to do so). He then proceeded to ask me what to wear to the other functions. I told him that the uniform of the day was jock strap, tennis shoes and a light coat of oil. He never did get it all straight. Guess he has extremely ugly legs as most SF types do. I'm sure glad he writes better than he dresses.



TOP (L-R) JIM SAMPLES, FRENCHY CHAISSON, JAMES STOTT, RICK HANBURY, ROY BOATMAN, KENNY PERRY, JIMMY SMITHEE, LEE ROY PIPKIN, JOE TOMPKINS: BOTTOM (L-R) BILL JANG, RICHARD DUDLEY, JIM SLADE, PHIL KOSSA, FRED SALAZAR, SAM SCHIRO: MEMBERS OF 173RD ABN BDE (LRRP), 74TH INF DET (LRP) & COMPANY N, 75TH INF (RANGER)



L-R COL. JOHN MAHER, EVA RABEL, BOB GILBERT; HALL OF FAME INDUCTION N/75



L-R COL. DAVID GRANGE, MR. LAWRENCE PRUDEN, BOB GILBERT; HALL OF FAME G/75



FRONT OF COIN DESIGNED BY DUKE DUSHANE. 3 INCHES IN DIAMETER



BACK OF COIN DESIGNED BY DUKE DUSHANE
COIN COMES IN BRONZE & SILVER



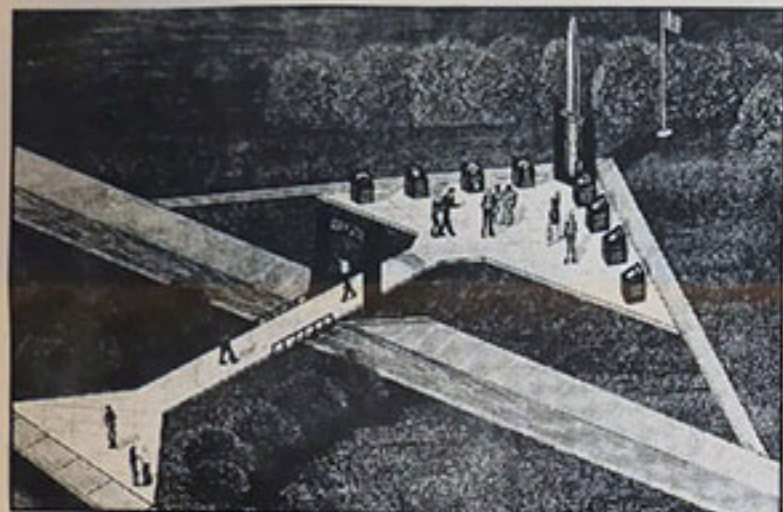
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75TH RANGER REGT. ASSN.	COIN (ANTIQUE BRONZE)	\$10.00			
4085 HARRIS ROAD	COIN (SILVER) (.999)	\$50.00			
ELLERSLIE, GA 31808	T-SHIRT (ARROW DESIGN)	\$12.00			
PHONE 404-568-7725	T-SHIRT (BERET DESIGN)	\$12.00			
MAIL TO :	T-SHIRT (ASSN LOGO)	\$12.00			
			SUB TOTAL:		
			SHIPPING:	+ \$2.50	
			TOTAL:		

LOCATOR FORM (BELOW)

The below form is provided to all who wish to provide their name and data to Daniel Pope. He is putting together a data base of all Vietnam Era Rangers. Please send the below form to:

DANIEL POPE
642 B SYCAMORE DR.
DECATUR, GA 30030



RANGER MEMORIAL

The picture shown below is the artist (Duke DuShane) concept of the RANGER MEMORIAL. The memorial will be a walk way in the shape of a spear. At the spearhead will be a giant commando knife and individual unit markers for every ranger combat unit. Flags were added to the design. Any donations received for the monument fund will be targeted towards this long range project.

YOUR NEWSLETTER

The newsletter is yours and can only be as interesting and informative as your input to it. The newsletter contains approximately 30,000 words and is published quarterly. Members have contributed many articles and pictures over the years and more are needed. They will be published as soon as possible. Articles need to be of a positive and informative nature. All articles need to be submitted at least three months in advance. Articles and pictures from the active duty Rangers are needed. Many of our members would like to hear of the Genada and Panama operations. **SECRETARY**

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VIETNAM RANGER LOCATOR FORM

NAME: _____ SSN: _____
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TEAM #/NAME _____ TEAM #/NAME _____ TEAM #/NAME _____

CALLSIGN: _____ CALLSIGN: _____ CALLSIGN: _____

DATES FROM/TO: / / -- / / DATES FROM TO: / / - / / DATES FROM/TO / / / - / /

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WOUNDED IN ACTION () IF YES, PLEASE GIVE DATE OF MEDIVAC: / /

DATE OF DISCHARGE FROM ARMY / / MARITAL STATUS _____

BY EXECUTION HEREOF, THE UNDERSIGNED AUTHORIZES DANIEL POPE TO DIVULGE THE INFORMATION PROVIDED HEREIN TO ANY AND ALL VETERANS AND ACTIVE DUTY PERSONNEL FOR THE SOLE PURPOSE OF LOCATING THE UNDERSIGNED PARTY.

SIGNATURE _____ DATE _____

MEMBERSHIP FEE

Membership Fee's will not payable in December. At the General Membership meeting it was decided to change the date the dues were payable. This will in fact allow you a 6 (six) month freebie. The membership also voted to increase the amount from \$12.00 annually to \$20.00 annually, therefore membership fees will be due in June 1993 and will be \$20.00 annually. The increase was needed due to the increased cost of mailing and printing. The change in the date payable was to allow the member greater time. **SECRETARY**

RANGER RENDEZVOUS PARADE

The Association has received numerous letters from the people who marched in the commemorative parade at Ft. Benning. Many of them have stated how pleased they were to be a part of Ranger History and march with the Ranger veterans of WWII, Korea, Vietnam, Grenada, Panama, and Iraq. Many of our members who had not ever participated in a parade in their honor felt that this was the first time they were appreciated since the Vietnam War. I sat in the spectator stands and through the tears and pride watched members of teams I had served with march with the veterans of all LRRP/LRP/RANGER units that served during Vietnam. The pride I felt was not only for the people that I had served with but the

realization that all of these Ranger Brothers shared the same heritage, the same motivation, they were and always will be U.S. Army Rangers.

SECRETARY



FREDERICK HANBURY 74TH LRP & N/75
PLAYING THE BAGPIPES FOR UNIT MEMBERS

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RENEWALS



NEW MEMBERS



NAME _____ MEMBERSHIP # _____
ADDRESS _____ CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____
PHONE [] _____ OCCUPATION _____

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PROVIDE NEWS ITEMS FOR PATROLLING _____

VOLUNTEER TO WORK ON ASSOC PROJECTS _____

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1992

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For
1993

OTHER _____

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75th Ranger Regiment Association

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RD 3, 8 Huntley Circle
Salisbury, MD 21801

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NEW MEMBERS

Indicate unit(s) Served in _____

Dates From To: _____

PROVIDE UNIT INFO/DOCUMENTS: _____



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