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REUNION VIII~ 2013

The **Eighth Annual Charlie Company Reunion** was held at the *Hilton Cincinnati Airport* in Florence, KY on June 7 & 8. Sixty-six were in attendance this year with Kathy Blosser, Steve Carlisle & his daughter Kathy, Ron & Beverly Cole, David & Kathy Craig, Dennis & Judy Roehrs, Chris Walker and Delton Watt's guest, Kim Fleig, attending for the first time. A total of eighty-two different veterans and sixty-seven different guests have attended at least one reunion during the past eight years!

Many of the early arrivals went to *Rafferty's* for a meal Thursday night. A *Coffee and Cookies Reception* began in our Hospitality Room at 2:00 p.m. Friday and many enjoyed the riverboat dinner cruise with *BB Riverboats* that night. The golfers were out early Saturday morning to *Boone Links GC* for our annual golf outing and the ladies returned to *Yesterday's Café & Tea Room* for brunch. Saturday night was our *banquet* at the *Hilton* followed by our Business meeting, Memorial Toast, Awards and pictures. Our platoon pictures are shown below and there are more pictures posted online at our website.



First Platoon (Standing L-R) Mike Dove, Richard Rey, John Loeb
 (Seated L-R) Tom Moore, Grace Eckels, Al Hammock, Delton Watt

Notice we used Chuck Unterberger's Charlie Company guidon instead of the Rock this year. It had nothing to do with the fact the rock was heavier and none of the old guys wanted to try to hold it.

Also, front and center, is our WWII guest from the Marine Corp. Grace made each of the pictures look so much better.

She probably kept you from noticing Al's alleged Purple Heart golf wound. Sounds to me like an alert to the Safety Committee.

Thanks again to everyone for their Regional Refreshments contributions, raffle items, and any other contribution you made in making our reunion another success! Earlier email has been sent to those contacts giving credit to contributors (that we aware of) along with a list of raffle winners.



Second Platoon: (Standing L-R) Mike Stinnett, Daniel Malin, Steve Carlisle, Chuck Unterberger, Andy Adam, Nate Hutchinson (Seated L-R), Phil Sherwood, Charlie Brown, Frank Hill, Grace Eckels, Andy Brower, Mike Yelenovic, Dennis Roehrs, Mike Feltes
*** James Taylor also attended “part” of the reunion but was not able to be present when group pictures were made. ***
***Bet you cannot guess who was awarded the flag flown over the U.S. Capitol.
Maybe he will win a raffle prize soon to end his streak of never winning anything.***

Notice too on the back wall the large Charlie Company banner donated by Al Blosser. He has a much smaller version with sticky stuff on the back in case you would like to put one on your car or truck, or both. The cost is \$3 for one and \$5 for two and that includes shipping. Call Al at home (330) 961-7577 or cell (330) 592-6683 to place your order!



Third Platoon: (Standing L-R) Dave Wantland, Ron Cole, Tony Puglia, Chris Walker, Ronnie Williams (Seated L-R) John Bottorff, Rick Tucker, Ronnie Ray, Grace Eckels, Milt Houghton, Chuck Welaegala, Larry Mueller
*** Charlie and Kim Doan were present at the reunion but were not able to attend Saturday night. ***



Fourth Platoon: (L-R) Mike Bingham, Royal Vannatta, James Chisholm, Grace Eckels, Eddie Daniels, Al Blosser

CHARLIE'S ANGELS



(Standing L-R), Ruth Wantland, Barb Peterson, Kathy Banks, Julia Chisholm, Pat Bingham, Patty Stinnett, Lynn Bottorff, Maggie Daniels, Beverley Houghton, Chris Dove, Kathy Craig, Minerva Adam, Bev Cole, Kathy Blosser, Betty Hammock, Susan Moore, Liz Unterberger (Seated L-R) Sandy Brown, Kathy Simmons, Ursula Yelenovic, Judy Roehrs, Grace Eckels, Kim Fleig, Deborah Rey, Teresa Ray, Brenda Tucker, Denise Vannatta

Our **Financial Report** in summary form was presented and approved at the Business Meeting. We began last year with a balance of \$1,183.81 and ended the year with a balance of \$1,102.35. Income from dues last year was \$860 and we had donations totaling \$1,741.28. Our major expenses were for the newsletter of \$1,104 and reunion expenses of \$1,414.06 (the main expense was for the shirts given to those attending) and renewal of our web site. Our current balance is \$3,943.35 that

includes \$940 in dues so far this year and donations of \$1,760. The majority of our donations are from the raffle sales at the reunion.

The mission of Charlie Company Veterans Association *is to locate and contact veterans of Charlie Company and to provide an annual reunion for those veterans and their guests* and we consider our newsletters and website as aides to help accomplish that mission. Therefore, we have not charged anyone to receive a newsletter although we are currently mailing over 200 newsletters with each printing. Dues are still \$20 a year and may be sent to either Dan or me.

Liz Unterberger, with the help of Barb Peterson, has plans to bring a **quilt** to donate as a raffle prize next year. However, she is requesting your help (women and men) in making a 12" x 12" cotton square with your choice of design using red, white, or blue or any combination you want to use. Leave a little room empty around the edges for her to sew them together and send them by January 1, 2014. Mail squares (or questions) to Liz Unterberger, PO Box 356, Watkins, MN 55389.

CONTACT INFORMATION - Do you have comments about the newsletter or need information about our contacts or do you have information about other vets not known to us? Contact Dan Malin at (danielmalin@ hotmail.com) 4136 Kenyon Avenue, Lorain, OH 44053 (440) 242-7664 or Mike Stinnett at (mike.stinnett@yahoo.com) 319 Antioch Road, Clarksville, TN 37040 (931) 647-8917. **Please be sure to let us know if you have a change of address** especially email. If you have not heard from us by email for some time you may want to let us know your new email address.

NINTH REUNION - We will be returning to the Hilton again next year **June 6 & 7** for our **ninth reunion**. The room rate will remain the same (\$85 a night) and the major activities probably will not change much except for Friday night. Mark those dates on your calendar! Hope to see you there.