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Welcome to the Soo, Home of the 1437th Engineer Company(MRBC)

The 1437 Engineer Company (MRBC) would like to cordially invite you to the 59th Annual Reunion of the 107th Engineer Association. The Soldiers and families of the 1437 EN CO look forward to hosting this long standing traditional gathering of the Association. This year's Reunion will be 6-7 August 2021 in Sault Ste. Marie.

On Friday, August 6th, beginning at 1400, registration will commence. This is a great time to catch up with old friends, and get to know the new faces. The bar will be open. At 1800 hours the social mixer will kick off with a free fish fry – the food will be compliments of the 1437th Engineer Club.

On Saturday, plan on enjoying yourself. From 0730-0900 we will start it off with a hearty breakfast. Our company leadership is planning on ensuring you start your day right, for a low price of \$5 per person. For those of you that had too much fun on Friday, there will be Bloody Marys available in lieu of breakfast (for a much lower price).

At 1030 hours, as it is customary, we will meet at the flagpole for the Memorial Service. Immediately after the Memorial Service, there will be the Annual Business meeting.

Following the Memorial Service, we will have a lunch on the lawn overlooking the St. Mary's River. We will be serving a standard cook-out menu, \$5 per person. Bar services will be provided during lunch. Feel free to enjoy static displays of the unit's equipment.

We encourage you to explore our end of the Upper Peninsula. Those interested will be taken to the downtown area to do a tour of the Soo Locks, and check out the local tourist strip. There will also be demonstrations of the Dry Support Bridge and Rafting Operations at their respective training areas. Lastly, we will offer rides through the Soo Locks on our raft for those interested.

As always, the bar will be open at the armory.

The day's events will build up to the banquet. Cocktails will begin at 1700, and the colors will be posted at 1800.

Immediately following the introduction of the Reunion Committee and the honored guests, there will be a dinner meal. The cost is \$20 per person and will include 2 drink tokens. There will be music for your entertainment.

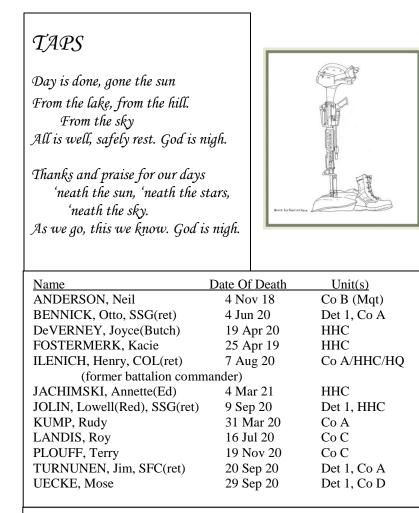
As a free service, the unit will supply Soldiers to provide transportation. So for the duration of the weekend, you can enjoy yourself to the full extent, and take advantage of our designated drivers. They will provide a taxi service from your hotels in the morning to retrieve vehicles as well.

Please RSVP as soon as possible, so that we may adequately plan for the weekend's activities. If you have any questions or requests, please feel free to contact SFC Jacob Simonetti at the Sault Ste. Marie Armory (906) 259-6068 or jacob.m.simonetti.mil@mail.mil. We are looking forward to host this year's Reunion. See you there!

Good As Done!

Benjamin A. Rodenberg CPT, EN, MIARNG Commander, 1437 EN CO (MRBC) President





Association Information

1. Our internet web address is <u>www.107thengineers.org</u>. The minutes from the 2019 business meeting and lots of other info about the battalion and Association is posted on the website.

2. We are always interested in receiving names, mailing addresses and email addresses for ANY battalion retiree or alumni. Send them to me so I can add them to our mailing list.

3. If you have an article, a picture, or whatever that you would like to see printed in the "Bull Sheet" please send them to the Ishpeming Armory address on the Bull Sheet masthead or e-mail me at secretary@107thengineers.org

2021 New Life Members, BENSEN, R.R., LTC(ret) Delano, MN; CHARTER, Walt MSG(ret) Iron River, MI: HAGER, Bill, MSG(ret) Ishpeming, MI: KABELMAN, Andy, SSG(ret) Soo, MI; SULLIVAN, John, MAJ(ret) Laurium, MI; Every year some of our members send in extra money to be used for expenses along with their dues. I hope I didn't miss anybody. ANDERSON, Neil, Soo: BARBER, Willy, Marquette; BEARD, Tom, Marquette; BEAUCHAMP, Duane, Escanaba; BECKMAN, Jim, Marquette; BESSNER, Todd, Hancock; Escanaba; CARNE, Will, CRONKRIGHT, Gary, Iron River: CROWLEY, David, Laurium; DAHLGREN, Eric, Munising; Calumet: DANIS, Stephen, DeVERNEY, Butch, Midland; Vulcan; EHRHARDT, Fritz,

Donations (continued): ELLIOT, John, FLORIANO, Joe, FRYE, Jack, GILLAHAN, Dave, HAGER, Bill, HAGER, Eric, JACOBSON, Jack, JARVI, Joel, JOHNSON, Idell, KABELMAN, Andy, **KESANEN**, Fritz, KOLJONEN, Bucky, KUPARI, Clint, LESSARD, Lloyd, LUETZOW, Bill, MAKI, Dean, NYBERG, Chuck, PECK, Freeling, PROULX, Justin, ROBSON, Jim, RYAN, John, SCHMITT, William, SMALL, Marge, SULLIVAN, John, TULPPO, Bob, VUKONICH, Tom, WESOLOSKI, Dave,

Champion; Iron Mountain; Traverse City; Holt; Ishpeming; Three Rivers; Iron River; Brooksville, FL; Marquette: Soo: Mohawk: Mohawk; Valparaiso, IN; Gladstone; Ishpeming; Negaunee; Elk River, MN; Belding; Soo; Grayling; Calumet; Vulcan; Marquette; Laurium; Iron River; Oxford: Menominee;

"Short Snorts"

Random thoughts, musings and news about the reunion and Association in general, as they pop into the head of ye' ole editor:

I hope this edition of the Bull Sheet finds you well having survived the year 2020. I sure missed seeing everyone at the reunion last year, but we'll drive on this year....hopefully! Jim BECKMAN continues to bring his displays of military and Boy Scout patches to the reunion for your viewing pleasure. Not much to report this year because very few members wrote comments on their RSVPs for last year. I'm always looking to print news in the B.S. regarding the happenings in the lives of our members. Add a note when you send in your reunion RSVP to update us about your life/status.

I know 2020 was a "different" year for most of us. I try to keep track of our WW II vets. I didn't hear back for any of the last three living guys this year. As far as I know Dick WILLS, Marquette, and Howard NICOLA, Dodgeville/Houghton are still alive and well. Bob McGUIRE lives in Centerville IA, so I don't know about his status. Keep these guys in your prayers. They all are over 100 years old if they're still alive!!!

The Association now has a Facebook page. (Thank you SSG Tom Wakeham!) It is a private page, so you have to ask to join. All those who support the Association and battalion are approved for membership. Ask away!

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		Eng Bn

107th ENGINEER ASSOCIATION Executive Committee for 2019- 2020......2021

There is limited space to park travel trailers, campers and tents at the armory. Call ahead of time to the armory to reserve a spot.

Partial listing of local Soo Campgrounds near the armory:

Soo Locks Campground, 1001 East Portage Ave, Sault Ste. Marie, MI 49783, Phone: (906) 632-3191, <u>Visit Website</u> <u>Aune-Osborn Campground</u>, 1225 Riverside Dr, Sault Ste. Marie, MI 49783, Phone: (906) 632-3268, <u>Visit Website</u> <u>Email</u>

There must be 100 motels/hotels in the Soo. Here is the link to the Chamber of Commerce for information on individual businesses. Good Luck!

https://www.saultstemarie.com/places-to-stay/hotels-motels-condos/

Future Reunion Locations, Here are the PROPOSED locations, subject to acceptance by the units and approval of the membership, for the next 3 years; 2022 Gladstone, 2023 Traverse City, 2024, Kingsford. It is difficult to set locations too far in advance because we never know when one of our units will be mobilized or perform AT out of the state/country during the summer. There is always the possibility that an armory will be closed. As of the writing of this newsletter the battalion is deployed to Washington D.C. as part of the security forces. They are busy. Therefore I haven't had an opportunity yet to coordinate the location of the 2022 reunion yet. That will be determined before the 2021 reunion at the Soo.

TAPS Notifications: You will note that we have a long list of TAPS notifications again this year. I need your help in keeping up to date on this information. The only way I find out about former members that pass away is if you, the members all across the state, let me know. If you hear or know of a current or former member of the battalion/Association who has passed away, send me an email, <u>secretary@107thengineers.org</u>. You can also contact me through the website or Facebook page.

This is the shortest Bull Sheet ever as result of no reunion last year. 2021 has GOT to be better!!! Good As Done!



IMPORTANT INFORMATION: To make or cancel a banquet reservation, please notify the individuals below:			
1.	Before 15 Jul 2021 mail the notice below to: 107 th Engineer Association, 900 Palms Ave., Ishpeming, MI 49849-1064		
2.	After 15 Jul 2021 Call the SFC Jacob Simonetti at the Soo Armory (906) 259-6068 or jacob.m.simonetti.mil@mail.mil		
PLEASE RETURN THE SECTION BELOW AS SOON AS POSSIBLE, <u>WHETHER OR NOT</u> YOU PLAN ON ATTENDING THE REUNION, to ensure your contact information is correct. This will also help us a great deal in preparing for this year's reunion and keeping our membership records up to date.			
CLIP AND SEND IN THE REGISTRATION INFORMATION BELOW / RETAIN THE TOP			
1.	I (will) or (will not) be present for the 59 th Annual Reunion of the 107 th Engineer Association at Sault Ste. Marie, MI. (circle your choice)		
2.	Reserve place(s) for me at the banquet / dance on Saturday, 7 August 2021. My guest(s) for this event will be (how many)		
3.	(<i>Please check one</i>) My association dues of \$(\$5.00 per year) are enclosed for years;		
	-or- (how many)		
	My association lifetime membership dues of \$50.00 are enclosed.		
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	I am a lifetime member.		
(Optional)			
	Enclosed are \$ towards printing and mailing expenses.		
3.	My name and address is		
4.	I joined the 107 at(city/unit)in the year of		
5.	I left the unit in (year) at (city/unit) because		
Ple	ase also update the following information:		
6.	My phone number is:		
7.	My Email address is:		
8.	For more info please check the Association web site at "www.107thengineers.org" or on Facebook.		