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“To Honor, Support, Protect, and Remember the Heritage”

A WORD FROM THE PRESIDENT

By Bill Palmer

Many thanks for your support! The Jimmy Dean Scholarship Fund has received 20+ requests for scholarship support.

Selections will be made shortly by the scholarship board. The Board recently voted to expend up to \$25,000.00 on the scholarships this year.



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THE SECRETARY'S SECTION

By George Heib

GLOBAL WAR ON TERROISM CASUALTIES

TOTAL	262	262	0
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RVN CASUALTIES

NUMBER KIA OR DNH	IMO PLATES ADOPTED	NUMBER LEFT
890	744	146

We have two members who are working hard to get all of these guys sponsored with plates on the IMO Board, and we appreciate those who have joined in after the last Musings went out. If you wish to sponsor one or more GWOT/RVN KIA/DNH, and don't have a name, we can pick one for you off our list. We are proud to show you a picture of our latest Distinguished Donor SSG (R) John Benjamin. He is one of only two



individuals who have this honor. (One other Distinguished Donor is a group rather than an individual.) On another note, we have received 31 applications for the Jimmy Dean Scholarship for the 2009 school year. They are being copied for the Scholarship Committee and we hope to have them presented in time to get them into the next musings. Also at the last Board meeting it was voted to provide up to \$25,000.00 in scholarships this year.

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MEMBERSHIP REPORT 09-1

MEMBERSHIP CATEGORY	\$ LEVEL	MUSINGS-08-2	CURRENT MEMBERSHIP
ANNUAL	\$ 10.00	11	29
DONOR	\$ 10.00	47	22
LIFE	\$ 100.00	432	456
CENTURY	\$ 100.00	194	193
CENTURY & LIFE	\$ 200.00	218	214
BENEFACTORS	\$ 1,000.00	45	43
PATRONS	\$ 2,000.00	8	10
LEADERSHIP MEMBERS	\$ 5,000.00	13	13
HONOR MEMBERS	\$ 10,000.00	3	1

DISTINGUISHED DONORS	\$ 20,000.00	1	3
PACESETTERS	\$ 50,000.00	0	1
SPECIAL DONORS	\$ 100,000.00	1	1
* HONORARY MEMBERS	-0-	79	81
SUB TOTAL (ACTIVE MEMBERS)		1052	1067
LOST ADDRESSES		264	286
	TOTAL	1316	1353

* Widows, SOF Organizations, MOH recipients, some SFA Chapters, SOF Commanders and CSM's.

THE TREASURER'S REPORT

Bennie Pokemire

As you can see by reading the lists below, most of our contributions are from a small dedicated group of members, along with a very few new joiners and some members, who are upgrading their membership status.



THANKS - YOU ARE SPECIAL !!

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Bennie

THE TREASURER'S REPORT AS OF 31 MARCH 2008	
TOTAL ENDING CASH ASSETS	\$ 31,554.78
A. G. EDWARDS ACCOUNTS	\$ 337,144.41
PLUS APPROXIMATELY IN STOCK/MERCHANDISE FOR GIFT SHOP/BOOK STORE	\$ 93,000.00
PLUS A CARGO VAN VALUED AT	\$ 14,475.00
TOTAL CASH, STOCK, AND OTHER ASSETS	\$ 476,174.19

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(\$20,000.00 PLUS) NEW DISTINGUISHED DONORS

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SSG WALLACE W. GUMBS, DNH-THAILAD 1-6-68	L2T FRANKLIN E. SPEIGHT, KIA RVN, 3-20-68
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SSG JAMES E. JANKA, KIA RVN, 3-8-69	SP5 STEVEN P. STEELE, KIA RVN, 4-20-70
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SFC JERMAH JUNE, KIA RVN, 5-19-69	SP4 GARY L. TAYLOR., KIA RVN, 5-24-70
SFC ZDZISLAW B. KADLEWICZ, KIA RVN, 6-27-69	SP4 THEODORE TAYLOR., JR. KIA RVN, 1-4-68
SGT THEODORE K. KALEIKINI, KIA RVN, 1-18-68	SFC THOMAS L. TERRY, KIA RVN, 7-4-67
SFC DALE R. KARPENSKY, KIA RVN, 3-9-68	SGT ROGER E. TERWILLINGER, KIA RVN, 10-15-66
SSG GERALD B. KASPRZYK, KIA RVN, 4-23-66	SGT J. A. THEODORE., KIA RVN, 3-13-68
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SFC HAROLD F. KLINE, KIA RVN, 8-24-68	CPT HERMAN TOWERY, KIA RVN, 10-22-64
SSG RANDALL C. KNISLEY, KIA RVN, 10-18-70	SFC CHESTER D. TOWNSEND, KIA RVN, 12-1-63
CPT JAMES C. KOTRC, KIA RVN, 7-29-69	PFC RICHARD E. TRASTER, KIA RVN, 8-30-68
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THE CURATOR'S CORNER

By Roxanne Merritt

The Special Forces symposium was held last week. We were involved in the banquet by constructing backdrops and outfitting the SF guys who played the different vignettes that highlighted different aspects of the 50 plus years of Special Forces history. The Office of Strategic Services (OSS), First Special Service Force (FSSF) and the Alamo Scouts were honored as the newest members of the Regiment and H. Ross Perot was formally made an honorary Green Beret. At the banquet, we were honored to have many representatives of these units in attendance. Former members of the OSS NORSO Operation Group, Company C, the Greek Group, and the Italian Recon Battalions as well as members of Detachment 101 and Jedburghs were side by side with Forcemen (FSSF) who were sitting next to Alamo Scouts. The amount of history held in that small space was incredible. I had several active duty personnel and wives who said that the evening brought what they had read or heard about in perspective and that it really clicked where their history evolved. At another function next week, Dr. Christian Lambertsen will be honored by The OSS Society in Washington, D.C. for his work developing the Lambertsen Rebreather Unit (LARU) and his wartime experience with the OSS Maritime Unit. We are very fortunate to have these unique and rare LARUs in our collection and on exhibit.

In February, our community lost three members of 3rd SFG(A) in Afghanistan – a continuing piece of our history that unfolds daily. One of these fallen warriors, SFC Marc Small, visited us right before he deployed, donating obsolete medical items, nothing unusual, but things we can use as props in our displays that he found in their team room. He didn't want to throw them away if we could use them. He has not been the only warrior who has touched us. For the last six months, I have been busy trying to consolidate memorialization issues located within the USASOC community no matter where they are located. This compilation reminded me of how many of

the men on the list I knew and prompted retrospection about the unique nature of our museum. We are not only an integral part of the schoolhouse, but also a repository of memories which can be related to others in the form of exhibits, tours, and other programs. I often think back on when children (ranging in age up to their 60s) or spouses have toured the museum with their loved ones and then say "You know he saw that radio or that object in that case over there, and all the sudden he began telling me stories I had never heard before. I know more of what he went through after being here less than an hour than in (fill in the blank) years. I have so wanted to get him to talk about his experiences, but he never would."

When I go to civilian museum association meetings, I am always struck by some of the reactions I get when I tell people what I do and where I work. Too often, a look of horror comes across their faces as they see this as an institution where we glorify war as opposed to the narration of brave men and women who fight for peace and freedom. It is for men like Marc Small or our World War II veterans such as CSM Louie Brown who recently died, that it is so vital that the Museum continues to exist. When Tim Russert, the NBC "Meet The Press" moderator died last year, they played a snippet of an interview that he made during one of the publicity visits for his book "Big Russ and Me." In it, he eloquently said that how he felt so blessed to be doing what he was doing and honored to have been given the opportunity to be the custodian of a national treasure. When people ask me what my favorite artifact is, I have a hard time picking one out. We have an incredible collection, but more importantly, so many have so many memories attached to each one that it truly is impossible for me to detach those from the item. I am blessed to have been chosen to be the custodian here prosperous New Year.

Until next time.



Roxanne

TAPS

Command Sergeant Major (R) Lewis Edward Brown, of 817 Moriston Road, passed away Friday, March 6, 2009 in Cape Fear Valley Medical Center. He became a paratrooper 21 March 1941 and made three combat jumps in WWII (to include Corregidor) with the 503rd PIR, and two in Korea with the 187th Abn RCT. He was a triple CIB recipient, who also saw combat in Vietnam with the 5th SFG (A). A memorial was held on 9 March in the JFK Chapel followed by burial in Lafayette Memorial Park. He is survived by: his wife, **Helen**; daughter, **Barbara Kellas**; three grandchildren, **Brian Stevens**, **Sarah Kellas** and **Matthew Kellas**; two nephews, **Jackie Trousdale** and **Tommy Brown**; and a niece, **Karen Herrick**, and hundreds of friends. A memorial service was conducted March 9, 2009, in JFK Chapel on Fort Bragg, with the Rev. Roy Hill and Chaplain Guy Bianco officiating. A graveside service followed in Lafayette Memorial Park, with the rendering of full military honors. **Louie** was a Life member of the Museum Association and was a big helper, over many years heading up the Teller Committee. He was a Charter Member of the SFA (D-3).


Col (R) Bliss Henry Croft, 87, of Fayetteville, 3471 Braddy RD, Fayetteville, NC 28306-8978 died Thursday, Feb. 12, 2009. He was the commander of Detachment "A (Berlin), in the mid 50's. Funeral Services were held at Christus Victor Lutheran Church, with burial in Cumberland Cemetery. He is survived by: Wife, **Nellie**; children, **Chris Childers**, **Melanie Dempsey**, **Alice**, **Hugo** and **Kelly**; eight grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren. **Bliss** was a Life member of SFA Chapter 1-18 (D-214-L)

MSG (R) BURRELL ANDREW "RAT" WILSON JR., 73, of Fayetteville, died Tuesday, March 17, 2009, in Womack Army Medical Center on Fort Bragg. **Rat** was a member of Special Forces and retired from the U.S. Army as a master sergeant. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. **Wilson** was preceded in death by a daughter, **Joy Anne Wilson Bowers**. Funeral services was conducted March 20, 2009, at Jernigan-Warren Funeral Home chapel in Fayetteville. Burial with military honors was in Sandhills State Veterans Cemetery in Spring Lake. **Burrell** is survived by his companion, **Shirley Farrow** of Fayetteville; sons, **Guy Andrew Wilson** and **Jay Alexander Wilson**, both of Fayetteville; daughter, **Gay Annette Wilson** of Fayetteville; three grandchildren, **Brian Michael Simering**, **Brandon Riddle Wilson** and **Jason Andrew Simering**; and three great-grandchildren. He was a life member of the Museum Association and Chapter 1-18 of the SFA (D-1392)

MESSAGE FROM THE GIFT SHOP


By Betty Amaker

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We look towards seeing and hearing from all of you. We are busy getting ready for the Las Vegas Convention in June and 1st Regimental Formation every month. 

Thanks for your support! *Betty, Lois, and Mary*

THE JANUARY MUSINGS MAILING (LICKER STICKER) SESSION

On Saturday, 31 January 17 members of the Licker-Sticker Mailing Crew got your Musings ready for mailing. Mike Simpson again went the extra mile and had plenty of coffee and doughnuts for them along with some bananas, to give them a little incentive. 

BART BROWN
BOB FOLWELL
BOB GILSTRAP
JIM HARGRAVES

JOHN HAZLETT
GEORGE HEIB
NORM HEIB
ROY HILL

JERRY LEEVEE
RALPH LOFF
JOE LUPYAK

"BEAR" MARTIN
WES MCKELVEY
RICH NAIL

BILL PALMER
CLIFF SEAGO
MIKE SIMPSON

SCENES FROM THE MAILING SESSIONS



Joe Lupyak applies mailing labels.



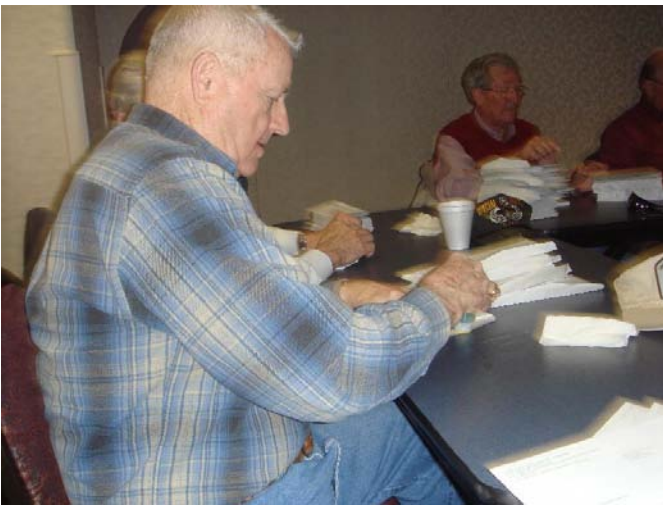
Stuffing the envelopes



Another shot of Joe Lupyak at a mailing session wielding the formidable Licker-Sticker weapon.



Wes McKelvey acts as the coordinator to insure everyone is on task and supplied for the next step in the mailing process.



President Bill Palmer seals another envelope.



Assistant Secretary Mike Simpson greets visitors at recent meeting of the Board.



VP, Pete Morakon (R) presents the Bronze Doughnut Certificate to Ralph Loff.



President Bill Palmer (L) presents the Bronze Doughnut Certificate to Jerry Levee.

CIVILIANS OF THE YEAR

On 29 January, Assistant Secretary Mike Simpson presented plaques and Life memberships to three USASWCS of our outstanding Civilian. We have not received the photos that we were promised, but here is the information we received.

Civilian Category 1-6: Mr. Cornelio Tapao Jr. has been a member of the USAJFKSWCS family for two years. A native of Guam, his sole mission is taking care of Soldiers. Mr. Tapao currently serves as academic Records clerk; his performance of duty has been absolutely unselfish and totally team-focused. He was very thorough in processing approximately 375 Academic Evaluation Reports. He is very meticulous in proofreading documents and verifying distribution requirements. As a result of Mr. Tapao's accurate and efficient methods, all AERs processed to higher headquarters were 100 percent accurate.

Civilian Category 7-10: Mr. Jose Reyes has been a member of the USAJFKSWCS family for nine years. He has served as a civilian instructor and supervisor responsible for the coordination and execution of advanced instructor training, while also serving as an oxygen technician supporting all of B Company's Military Free Fall courses. Mr. Jose Reyes is an integral part of the Military Free Fall School; as the supervisor for the Advanced Military Free Fall Course, B Company's main effort in producing sage and qualified military free fall SOF personnel. Through his steadfast dedication and subject matter expertise both in the military and civilian free fall communities, B Company, 2 Battalion, 1st SWTG(A) is able to successfully accomplish realistic, safe and effective training producing qualified military free fall personnel, jump masters and instructors.

Civilian Category 11-14: Mr. Charles Perry is assigned as the Affiliate Faculty and Program Administrator for all programs for the American Heart Association for the Special Warfare Medical Group (Airborne). He is certified as the Nationally Registered Medical Technician – Paramedic (NREMT-P) and is the primary instructor

for the Advanced Cardiac Life Support (ACLS), Course Coordinator for the Pediatric Education for Pre-Hospital Professional (PEPP), and instructor for the Pre-Hospital Trauma Life Support (PHTLS). Mr. Perry is also a volunteer instructor with the NC wildlife Commission in firearm and hunting safety. He dedicates a lot of time as a volunteer with the Western Harnett High and Middle School shooting teams and as a coach with the local youth recreation sports teams. Mr. Perry is married to Sandy Perry and they have two sons. (Carson 14 and Ethan 11)



DISTINGUISHED AND HONOR GRADUATES

The distinguished honor graduates are the students with the highest academic standing in their respective class. Each distinguished honor graduate must achieve an academic average above ninety percent, successfully complete each task on the first test, and meet special operations forces standards for the army physical fitness test. The commander recognizes each distinguished honor graduate with a plaque, A Commander's Coin of Excellence, and the army achievement medal. The JFK Special Warfare Historical and Memorial Museum Association presents the graduate with a plaque and lifetime membership

The Distinguished Honor Graduate for Civil Affairs Specialist Course 01-09 is Specialist Jennifer B. Carcamo. Specialist Carcamo is from the 411th Civil Affairs Battalion.

The Distinguished Honor Graduate for Psychological Operations Specialist Course 01-09 is Private First Class Steven J. Buckner. Private First Class Buckner is from the 4th Psychological Operations Group Airborne.

The honor graduate is the students with the second highest academic standing in their respective class. Honor graduates must meet the same criteria as the distinguished honor graduates. The commander recognizes each honor graduate with a plaque, a Commander's Coin of Excellence, and the Army Achievement Medal. The JFK Special Warfare Historical and Memorial Museum Association presents the graduate with a one-year membership.

The Honor Graduate for Civil Affairs Course 01-09 is Private Clay H. Byers. PV2 Byers is from the 490th Civil Affairs Battalion.

The Honor Graduate for Psychological Operations Course 01-09 is Specialist Anthony E. Pusatory. Specialist Pusatory is from the 4th Psychological Operations Group Airborne.

Command Sergeant Major Harry Bennett. of the 354th Civil Affairs Brigade, was the guest speaker and Is pictured below presenting the awards.



SPC Jennifer B. Carcamo DHG

PFC Steven J. Buckner DHG

PV2 Clay H. Byers HG

SPC Anthony E. Pusatory HG

JFK Special Warfare Historical and Memorial Museum Association Assistant Secretary, MSG (R). Mike Simpson presented each Distinguished Honor Graduate with a plaque recognizing the Soldier as the DHG and a Lifetime Membership to the Association.

The Distinguished Honor Graduate for Civil Affairs Specialist Course 02-09 is Private First Class John O. Nelson. Private First Class Nelson is from the 405th Civil Affairs Battalion.

The Distinguished Honor Graduate for Psychological Operations Specialist Course 02-09 is Specialist Roger J. Buswell III. Specialist Buswell is from the 4th Psychological Operations Group Airborne.

SGM Pete Sabo presented the awards to the Honor Graduates.

The Honor Graduate for Civil Affairs Specialist Course 02-09 is Private First Class Allison Cherkosly. PFC Cherkosly is from the 411 Civil Affairs Battalion.

The Honor Graduate for Psychological Operations Specialist Course 02-09 is Private Nataly L. Clapp. Private Clapp is from the 324th Psychological Operations Company.



SPC Roger J. Buswell III DHG



PFC John O. Nelson DHG



PFC Allison Cherkosly HG



PFC Nataly L. Clapp HG

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HONORARY GREEN BERETS



LTC ROLANDE "FRENCHY" COLAS DE LA NOUYE AMUNDSON: Worked with French Army behind enemy lines in WWII until captured by Germans. Later served as an interpreter with Eisenhower. She married and moved to Vietnam. When her husband died, she returned to France working for the American Embassy in Paris. She met LTC Amundson there and they married. She became an American citizen in 1958. She met and was given the honorary green beret by the 12th SFG(A) at a banquet in 1977. Also in attendance was the Governor of California who inducted her into the California State National Guard, receiving the rank of Lieutenant Colonel.

GEORGE W. BUSH: 43rd President of the United States (2001 – 2009)

"BO" DEREK: Actress and supporter of USO. Presented in 2002 by SF Command at 50th Anniversary of SF banquet.

ROBERT WILLIAM ANDREW "BOB" FELLER: (born November 3, 1918 in Van Meter, Iowa), nicknamed the "Heater from Van Meter" and "Rapid Robert", is a former (Cleveland Indians) Major League Baseball pitcher. He was inducted into the Baseball Hall of Fame in 1962, making him the earliest living inductee. Honorary Green Beret given by 5th SFG(A) in Vietnam

KENNETH FISHER: Kenneth Fisher has been a senior partner in Fisher Brothers, a New York City commercial real estate firm, since April 2003, and was a partner of Fisher Brothers from 1991 to April 2003. Mr. Fisher has been the chairman and chief executive officer of Fisher House Foundation, Inc., a not-for-profit organization that constructs homes for families of hospitalized military personnel and veterans, since May 2003, and served as vice chairman of Fisher House Foundation from May 2001 to May 2003.

JAMES GARNER: (born April 7, 1928) is an American film and television actor. He has starred in several television series spanning a career of more than five decades. These included his roles as Bret Maverick, in the popular 1950s western-comedy series, *Maverick*; *Jim Rockford*, in the popular 1970s detective drama, *The Rockford Files*; and the father of *Katey Sagal's* character on *8 Simple Rules* following the death of *John Ritter*. He has starred in dozens of movies, including *The Great Escape* (1963) with *Steve McQueen*; *Paddy Chayefsky's The Americanization of Emily* (1964) and *Blake Edwards' Victor Victoria* (1982), both with *Julie Andrews*; and *Murphy's Romance* (1985) with *Sally Field*, for which he received an *Academy Award* nomination. Honorary Green Beret given by 46th SF Co.(A) in Thailand after going through a prop blast.

DR. MICHAEL KUSSMAN: Under Secretary of the Veterans Health Administration

LARRY LUDTKE: Texas sculptor who Perot commissioned to do the MAJ Richard "Dick" Meadows statue in USASOC Headquarters and COL Arthur D. "Bull" Simons statue in the JFK Special Warfare Memorial Plaza. Honorary green beret presented to him in 1999 at the dedication of "Bull" Simons statue. Larry Ludtke passed away in 2007.

WAYNE NEWTON: Presented to him in 1999 by USAJFKSWCS and SF Command at the SF Expo and Ball.

CHRIS NOEL: Singer and actress who toured Vietnam on multiple occasions. Later married a 5th SFG(A) soldier whom she met in RVN. She currently runs Vetsville Cease Fire House, a shelter for homeless vets in Florida

MARTHA "COL MAGGIE" RAYE: (27 August 1916 – 19 October 1994) Singer and actress. Visited troops during WWII, Korea and Vietnam. Frocked as a Colonel in the US Armed Forces by President Lyndon B. Johnson in 1965, she also received the green beret the same year. Self-taught as a nurse, she was awarded the DSM by GEN Westmoreland for her work in MASH unit.

ALAN KOOI SIMPSON: (born September 2, 1931, in Denver, Colorado, U.S.A.) is a Republican politician who served from 1979 to 1997 as a United States senator from Wyoming. His father, *Milward L. Simpson*, was also a member of the U.S. Senate from Wyoming (1962–1967) and a former governor of Wyoming (1955–1959) as well. Honorary Green Beret conferred on him by SFA Chapter in Cody, Wyoming in 2003.

"SNOOPY: Cartoon character created by Charles Schultz. The lovable beagle was made an honorary green beret during the 1960s by 5th SFG(A) in the Republic of Vietnam. Snoopy's likeness wearing a green beret was seen on everything from license plates to Zippo lighters with the words "Happiness Is A Green Beret" or performing an obscene gesture with his middle finger with the words "F*** Communism!"

SYLVESTER STALLONE: Awarded by SFA Headquarters after he played John Rambo in movie *First Blood* in 1983.

LERA MILLARD THOMAS: (August 3, 1900—July 23, 1993) was the wife of Congressman Albert Thomas and briefly succeeded her husband as the Representative in Congress representing the Eighth District of Texas from 1966 to 1967. After serving the remainder of her husband's term, Thomas left Congress on January 3, 1967. After her term in Congress, Mrs. Thomas served as special liaison for the Houston Chronicle to members of the armed services in Vietnam. Honorary Green Beret given by 5th SFG(A) in Vietnam

JOHN WAYNE: Given to him in 1968 after release of “The Green Berets.

“WILLIE AND JOE”: Cartoon characters created by Bill Mauldin in World War II. Beret presented to them by SFA in 1985 after Bill Mauldin penned a pen and ink drawing of Willie wearing a beret.

DISTINGUISHED MEMBERS OF THE SPECIAL FORCES REGIMENT

We were able to obtain this full list containing all the Distinguished members of the Special Forces Regiment (as of 23 April 2009). We have listed them in the order by the date of their induction as a Distinguished Member. For more information, the contact person for this honor is Roxanne Merritt, who can give you all the details.

MG (R) John K. Singlaub	May 31, 2007
SGM (R) William “Billy” Waugh	May 31, 2007
CSM (R) Joseph W. Lupyak	Jul 13, 2007
CSM (R) Peter Morakon	Jul 13, 2007
MSG (R) James C. “Jimmy” Dean	Aug 23, 2007
CSM (R) Ernest K. Tabata	Aug 23, 2007
SGM (R) Richmond J. Nail	Oct 11, 2007
MG (R) Sidney Shachnow	Oct 11, 2007
CSM (R) Stephen P. Holmstock	Nov 14, 2007
CW4 (R) Harry Ride	Nov 14, 2007
COL (R) Donald J. Soland	Jan 10, 2008
CSM (R) James E. Hargraves	Jan 10, 2008
CSM (R) Henry D. Luthy	Mar 5, 2008
CSM David L. Clark	Apr 10, 2008
COL (R) Roger H.C. Donlon (MOH)	Apr 10, 2008
CSM Jack Gale Joplin	May 29, 2008
SGM (R) Walter L. Shumate)	May 29, 2008
MAJ John L. Plaster	Jul 10, 2008

CSM (R) Calvin J. Thomas)	Jul 10, 2008
MSG (R) Joe Alderman	Aug 13, 2008
CSM Joseph L. “Joe” Dennison	Aug 13, 2008
SGM (R) Tyrone J. Adderly	Oct 2, 2008
COL James N. “Nick” Rowe	Oct 2, 2008
SMA (R) George W. Dunaway	Nov 6, 2008
LTC (R) Charles A. Aycock	Jan 29, 2009
CSM (R) Ronnie A. “Beaver” McCan	Jan 29, 2009
COL (R) Ola Lee Mize (MOH)	Jan 29, 2009
CSM (R) Gordon Smith	Mar 5, 2009
LTG (R) William P. Yarborough	Mar 5, 2009
CSM (R) Michael Bishop	Apr 16, 2009
CSM (R) Henry Ramirez	Apr 21, 2009
Alamo Scouts	Apr 16, 2009
First Special Service Force	Apr 21, 2009
Office of Strategic Services	Apr 21, 2009
COL (R) Aaron Bank	
CW5 (R) Thomas R. Edinger	

NOTES FROM THE EDITOR

By George Heib

As you can see in the Contributor’s section it has been a very busy quarter. With all the letters, cards, musings, etc. I manage to make my share of mistakes. On another note, we would like to congratulate one of our Life members (and my grandson) PFC Ryan M. Heib, who graduated from jump school on 17 April, and has been assigned to the 5th SFG (A). His wings were worn by myself during WWII, and by his uncle, MAJ (R) George Heib, Sr., his aunt, LTC (R) Dolores Heib, and another grandson, SGT George Heib, Jr.



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George Heib

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