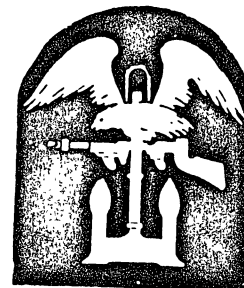


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a Regiment of the First Engineer Amphibian Brigade

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-later to become-
1185th Engineer Combat Group
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REUNION NUMBER TWENTY-ONE
WITH
CLEVE & NELLIE
JULY 7 - 10, 1988
TULSA, OKLAHOMA, YA'LL COME

Dear Comrades, Sisters, Families and Friends,

To begin with, I apologize to all you good people at the 1987 Reunion Banquet...I became too involved with the Charter... (Old Charter, that is).

Our Association will become of age come July 1988, Twenty-First Reunion.

We had first timers present last year and hope to see you at the Reunions many more times.

Well, Howdy. Hope you all survived the Holidays one more time and are now looking forward to the Twenty-First Reunion of the 591st Engineer Boat Regiment Reunion Association. 591st EBARRA.

The 591st EBARRA extends a welcome to all members and families of this Great Regiment. When I use the word members, I'm relating to all comrades who were in the 591st regardless of when or how long.

Reunion Number Twenty (as I remember) was perhaps one of the best, and a lot of credit goes to Host and Hostess Cleve and Nellie, and especially to all you great folks in attendance. The Best of The Best! Cleve and Nellie, we love you! Shore do.

I take this opportunity to call to your attention the responsibility assumed by all those brave comrades and sisters who have hosted the Reunions and know I speak for the "Body"... Thank You!

Again, I want to call to your attention that you Ex-Dog Faces are members of the most elite group of people in the world. First, you were members of the Fearless Five Nine One...second, you are Veterans of Foreign Wars...third, you have contributed more to community service than any Organization in the world...because of you - We Have A Flag And God.

One of my Goals when starting the Reunions was to make available a vehicle, so to speak whereby, Comrades would have a chance to re-unite each year and "Shoot the Bull"...relive the highs in our military encounters...bring the family and give them the chance to see first-hand we really did win the war.

Wish there was some surefire way of convincing all 591st Comrades that the place to be, **July 7-8-9-10 (Thurs, Fri, Sat., Sun.), 1988** would be the **Trade Winds Central Inn, 3141 East Skelly Drive - Interstate 44 & Harvard Exit, Tulsa, Oklahoma 74105--Phone number (918) 749-5561**...Please make your reservation two weeks in advance. However, if your conscience waits till the last minute to convince you, by all means come...the latch string is always out... come on in. Because of 591st training, we will issue another "Moonlight Requisition."

Cleve and Nellie will be our Hosts for the third time. One of the reasons for picking the same location as last year was the cooperation of the Personnel of the Trade Winds Central Inn. They know how to cater to Ex-Dog Faces.

Had a letter from Cleve with brochures, etc. for another "Special Feature." You all remember last year and "Oklahoma" at the outdoor theatre? This year's letter (from Cleve) was asking for approval for an outing on Friday, the 8th of July to the Cherokee Heritage Center at Tahlequah, Okalhoma. (Approval granted) The Theatre Presentation at this designated time will be "Trail of Tears". Drama.

The stage is set thus: In the fall and winter of 1838 - 1839 the Cherokees were driven from their homes and pushed along a dreary march westward. Of sixteen thousand who started this miserable journey, more than four thousand died along the way from disease, hunger and exposure. The march lasted nearly a year and ever after it was known as "The Trail Where They Cried." You will enjoy an evening of intense drama, pagentry, and dance, where in unfolds the bittersweet story of the Cherokee, torn from his ancestral home in the Eastern Highlands and forced to begin life a new in the strange and foreboding wilderness that would one day become a state - Oklahoma. This will all take place amid the beautiful picturesque setting of the outdoor theatre at "Tsa-La-Gi." Should be a most interesting day.

Comrades, please assist me by contacting others, and encourage them to be present at this next "Regimental Fall Out. For you who have never attended a "591st EBRA Fall Out", this is the type of an organization you all wished you belonged to fourty some years ago. No reville, No KP, no Short Arm Inspections, no Work Detail, No...nothin 'lack that.

What you do have to do is be sociable, enjoy good comradeship, indulge in food and drink, and while doing all of this, be very specific in all detail, in order that spouses, family and friends will clearly understand why you were so indispensable during the "Big One".

Hey, Guys...do you realize we've got a Hell'ova lot to talk about and not too much time to do it? We have always got "Advance Scouts" that arrived at the designated "Pow Wow" site several days early to check out the "Bivovac" area and give a "Big How" to approaching "Tribes." So, you "Blood Brothers", come "Smokum' Peace Pipe." "Kimo Sabe."

Kindest Regard

