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2D CAVALRY ASSOCIATION
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DEAR FELLOW DRAGOONS:



Much has happened since our last edition of *The Thoroughbred*. Our glorious Regiment has returned to Bavaria where it spent the Cold War patrolling the Iron Curtain and it has welcomed the 74th Colonel of the Regiment, John RisCassi. These are just the highlights of an amazing series of events at an equally amazing pace. I am in awe of today's Dragoons, as I'm sure you are; you can have the opportunity to meet some of these amazing Troopers at the Association's Reunion.

That transitions us to the main topic of this edition of *The Thoroughbred* -- the biennial reunion in November 2007. In this issue you will find all the information necessary to register for this great event. Reunion Chairmen Bill Bewley and Chris Golden have worked tirelessly to put together a magnificent package complete with business meetings, hospitality events, and several optional excursions to include a mounted Calvary Charge by re-enactors and a tour of Arlington Cemetery. We have commitments from about a dozen Colonels of the Regiment to attend and host the Gathering of Eagles welcome social. As is our custom, we will provide a hospitality suite and lots of open time for swapping stories, an update on the active Regiment, a dinner talk by a distinguished alumnus, and our normal business meetings.

We have several initiatives that we are prepared to announce to provide support to the Troopers and their families which are especially needed in this critical time of war with its frequent deployments. Several members of our Board of Governors have expressed a desire to step down; therefore, I need your help in identifying "new blood" willing to work for this great Association. Most members think receiving this newsletter is the only tangible evidence of their dues. We want to change that perception especially for the active duty Troopers by expanding our scholarship and family support offerings. Please help us do that by volunteering for the Board and remember, if you are unable to give us your Time or Talents, we welcome a donation of the third T; that is, your treasury.

We are counting on you to contact the hotel and make a reservation soon. We also ask that each member contact at least one other 2d Cavalry veteran and ask him or her to join us. This event should be attractive to every segment and age group across our widely diverse membership population. I hope you will plan to attend to share some stories, enjoy the camaraderie, greet old buddies, and show support for our glorious Regiment and its wonderful troopers.

Toujours Pret,

Tom Molino

President and
Chief Operating Officer



An Invitation to Attend Our Bi-Annual ReUnion

We extend to you, your family and comrades a special invitation to attend the 2d Cavalry Association ReUnion on the 8th to the 11th of November 2007. We will be headquartered at a truly first class hotel, the Sheraton Premiere Hotel in Vienna, VA. The ReUnion is a rare opportunity to renew friendships, enjoy the company of your comrades in arms and see the nation's capital.

Our Association Reunion is held every two years and is intended to provide a venue for 2d CAV soldiers (serving, have served and retired) to get reacquainted and to hear what is going on in "Your Regiment" today. Event activities will include a great welcoming party on the evening of the 8th, a tour and commemorative wreath ceremony at Arlington National Cemetery, a tour of Mount Vernon as well as a day with "A Company 2d Cavalry" at the Virginia Museum of Military Vehicles (VMMV). "A Company 2d Cavalry" is a group of horse mounted re-enactors who will present a living history demonstration of life in the 2d Cavalry circa 1865. VMMV is a private museum featuring combat military vehicles from around the world. "In addition, we will enjoy more than a few opportunities for social contact, storytelling and sharing quality adult beverages. The Association Dinner Banquet will be held on Friday night (business casual attire is requested).

We are also pleased to report that the largest number of Colonels of the Regiment ever assembled will join us at this meeting. We anticipate at least 12 of our former Regimental Commanders to be in attendance. In addition we expect a large number of our former Squadron Commanders as well as a great turnout of our Sergeants Major. BUT the really important people to attend are you and your 2dCav friends. Call them and ask them to join you at the ReUnion!

We truly do hope you will join us to enjoy and relive the CAV camaraderie that we all enjoy so much. We recommend that you make hotel reservations early as we expect a record turnout for the event. Ask for the special 2d Cavalry Rate. Here is the hotel reservation information:

Sheraton Premiere at Tysons Corner
8661 Leesburg Pike Vienna, Virginia, United States
Phone (703) 448-1234 · Fax (703) 610-8293

If you would like to make your reservations on line please use this web address:

<http://www.starwoodmeeting.com/StarGroupsWeb/res?id=0702127541&key=2E66C> For current information on the ReUnion check in at our ReUnion Website:

<http://www.2dcavalryreunion2007.com/index.html> If you would like to be added to our ReUnion Email Newsletter (published monthly) send your email address to: chris.skylion@gmail.com If you have any questions or need further information please contact:

Bill Bewley, ReUnion Chairman bbewley@bewleycapital.com Telephone: 703-472-5023 Chris Golden, ReUnion Coordinator chris.skylion@gmail.com Telephone: 617-413-5787

As many of you know the active regiment (2d Stryker Cavalry Regiment, Vilseck, Germany) is on alert to deploy to Iraq between August and December. So this ReUnion will find us focused on our history, our heritage and the prospect of supporting our Regiment at War. We hope you will join us for this very special event and show your support for our Regiment.

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2007 ReUnion Agenda

8 November **Thursday**

- Arrivals, Registration and Welcome Ice-Breaker Cocktail Party at the hotel, which will include food to graze upon into the night! The bar is pay as you go. (The plan is for this to be a very enjoyable "meet and greet" evening!)
- Association Board Meeting

9 November **Friday**

- Buffet breakfast and Business Meeting, chaired by Tom Molino
- Optional "Freestyle Tours" of the Washington Mall (Transportation Only)
- Arlington Cemetery Tour and Commemorative Wreath Laying - Tomb of the Unknowns
Tour of Mount Vernon (INCLUDES LUNCH) - newly redone facilities you will enjoy during this special event
THIS IS AN ALL DAY EVENT WITH TRANSPORTATION INCLUDED
- Story Telling Contest at the Bar
- Reunion dinner at the hotel with special guest speakers, awards, special auction and recognition of individuals and groups.
- After Dinner Drinks and Story Telling Contest Continues with MORE wild stories of daring-do and individual tomfoolery

10 November **Saturday**

- Group buffet breakfast
- Mounted Cavalry living history demonstration and static historical vehicle display 2d Cavalry Company A (reenactors) Site: Virginia Museum of Military Vehicles <http://www.vmmv.org/>
THIS CAN BE AN ALL DAY EVENT WITH TRANSPORTATION INCLUDED
- Departures and check out for those who desire to leave on this date

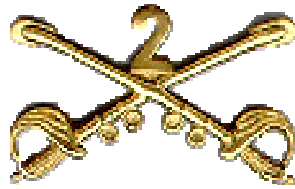
11 November **Sunday**

- Breakfast of individual choice
- Check out and Departure

Hotel Information: *Sheraton Premiere*, 8661 Leesburg Pike, Vienna, VA Phone: 703.448.1234

More Info on the ReUnion Website: <http://www.2dcavalryreunion2007.com/index.html>

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2007 ReUnion
Pre-Registration WorkSheet

Date	Activity	Cost	# Attending	Total Amount
8 November Thursday	Registration Choose Only ONE Pay only ONE fee	\$30.00 Member		
		\$55.00 Non-Member		
9 November Friday	Arlington Tour (Wreath/Unknowns)	\$ 7.00 Per Person		
	Mt. Vernon Tour	\$11.00 per person		
	Transportation Fee	\$10.00 per person		
	Lunch Individual Choice <small>This event is a combined day long event. We encourage you to take our bus.</small>	\$10-14 per person		
	ReUnion Dinner	\$ 37.50 per person		
10 November Saturday	Cavalry Living History Display (Includes Lunch)	\$25.00 per person		
	<small>This is a day long event and includes a box lunch on site.</small>			
	Transportation Fee	\$10.00 per person		
Totals				

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Zip Code: _____
Email address: _____

Please fill out this form and forward it with an advanced payment of \$125 per person in the form of check made out to "2d Cavalry Association". Please mail them to: Thomas Wilson, Treasurer, 2d Cavalry Association, 87 Overall Phillips Road, Elizabethtown, KY 42701-8377. (Alternatively you can pay on line - Go To the ReUnion Website for more info <http://www.2dcavalryreunion2007.com/index.html>)



NEWS FROM THE 2ND STRYKER CAVALRY REGIMENT

By Major John S. Pendell
Regimental S7/Information Officer

The Regiment Returns to Germany and begins its Road to War

On 15 September 2006, the 2^d Stryker Cavalry Regiment was officially welcomed to Vilseck, Germany. This welcome brought the DRAGOONS back to familiar grounds as the unit had once called this locale home. The Regiment wasted little time in getting in the swing of things and making its presence felt. The very next day, soldiers and a Color Guard from the Regiment were in the town of Bela nad Raduzou, Czech Republic, participating in a ceremony honoring the Regiment and remembering two soldiers from the 42nd Reconnaissance Squadron killed during OPERATION COWBOY.

The official ceremony took place in the quaint town square and climaxed with the unveiling of a monument dedicated to all people that were killed during the war. At the conclusion of the ceremony, soldiers loaded up in WWII vintage American jeeps, trucks and even a half track supplied by the Pilsen Military Car Club for the convoy out to the Nazi roadblock where PFC Manz was killed and T/5 Sutton was mortally wounded during the penetration into German lines in 1945. At the site of the action soldiers from the Regiment participated in a wreath laying ceremony at a stone memorial placed to signify the role the Regiment played in the fight to liberate the Czech people.

With the official welcome back ceremony over, the Regiment jumping fervently into its training cycle and the long road to a "trained and ready to deploy" status. Various training events had to be accomplished and a Senior Leader's Conference on Grafenwoehr kicked it off. This conference featured instructors from TRADOC schools and proponents who came to impart their knowledge and expertise on Information Operations, Engineer Operations, logistics, targeting and intelligence to the Stryker Regimental Combat Team. This conference was instrumental and paid off significantly in future training as it laid the foundation for our Tactics, Techniques and Procedures (TTPs) that we would use later in our training cycle and any possible deployments down the road in support of the Global War on Terrorism.

The eager Dragoons began field training with "Operation Dagoon Steel" in November with 1st and 4th Squadrons and elements of the Regimental Support Squadron at Joint Maneuver Readiness Center (JMRC), Hohenfels Training Area (HTA). During this exercise every Platoon in the Regiment was certified as "trained and ready" or in Army terms, T-1. Major outcomes from this training were the Squadron's ability to utilize our digital equipment. For the first time ever the Regiment was able to use equipment to digitally track Squadron elements in the field while simultaneously conducting a Command Post Exercise with our parent Headquarters, 1st Armored Division. HTA has benefited from significant changes since the (continued on page 7)

Regiment was last stationed in Germany, and these proved beneficial to training. Innovative Dragoon soldiers were able to conduct Convoy Live Fires and Urban Operations in conjunction with numerous Standard Battle Drills. This training exercise was deemed a huge success and concluded with the "Dragoon" Regiment one step from being certified as T-1, "trained and ready" to deploy anywhere in the world.

This initial milestone of re-stationing an entire Regiment from Ft Lewis to Germany and attaining a T-1 status in record time did not stop the Dragoons. They plunged forward into their next Regimental Training Exercise, "Operation Dragoon Thunder" January to March 2007. The Dragoons, basking in pleasant memories acquired from spending Christmas at home with family all over the world were able to jump right back into the fight and certify as T-1, ready to deploy. With assets from the 12th Combat Aviation Brigade (12th CAB), Dragoons were able to get up to date and realistic training as to be expected in today's battlefield. Squadrons were tasked to operate tactically from Day Zero to the end. This succeeded in giving soldiers throughout the Regiment a clear picture of what to expect when deployed. Movement from the installation to HTA was done tactically, establishing and securing Forward Operating Bases (FOBs) as it would be done in Iraq or Afghanistan and the entire planning, rehearsing and executing of all missions were executed as fellow soldiers and units do in war zones. This ensured the Regiment trained its Mission Essential Tasks and diversified into tasks that are not performed frequently such as Combat Search and Rescue (CSAR); the rescue of a downed pilot and coordination between units on the ground units and aircraft in support.

The Dragoons were able to accomplish all this and conclude the intense training period with a Command Post Exercise, Iron Strike IV. Iron Strike IV was different and very enlightening as it involved training with our allies from the German 12th Panzer Brigade and the British 20th Armored Division. During Operation Dragoon Thunder we trained across the full spectrum of combat operations (kinetic and non-kinetic operations). By the end of the train-up period every soldier in the Regiment was deemed ".....a skilled Warrior, well-trained, well-led, extremely well-equipped and highly motivated" as COL RisCassi, the 74th Colonel of the Regiment stated in his letter to the Soldiers and Family Members of the Regiment.

Historically the Dragoons have been ready to deploy at short notice and today's Regiment has maintained that expectation. With approximately 90 days notice to deploy the Regiment is quickly honing our war-fighting skills at all levels Regimental-wide. Every Dragoon is ready to go to combat and every Family in the Regiment is fully aware that arrangements have been made to ensure they are taken care of while their beloved Dragoons are gone. Squadrons are currently out conducting live fire exercises in the Grafenwoehr Training Area, a place many former Dragoons know well.

The final requirement of the dragoons is currently in progress. The Regiment is deploying to HTA one last time prior to deploying to conduct a Mission Readiness Exercise, a requirement for combat. Dragoon Soldiers are confidently conveying to HTA to engage Opposing Forces (OPFOR) and Civilians on the Battlefield (COBS) for one last time before taking all the training, knowledge and TTPs acquired to Iraq to ensure a successful Dragoon Deployment and Redeployment.



2d Squadron training at Graf during Operation Dragon Thunder, Jan 2007.



1st Squadron Training at Hohenfels, December 2006.

Photos by SPC Billy Carghill



2d Squadron Sniper section training at Grafenwoehr Training Area, November 2006.
Photo by Rolf Zwilling.

70th Colonel to Move to the White House

President George W. Bush announced on May 15, 2007 that he had selected LTG Douglas E. Lute as an Assistant to the President and deputy national security advisor with a focus on the wars raging in Iraq and Afghanistan. Pending US Senate confirmation, LTG Lute's new job is referred to in the press as "War Czar" but is better described as the person who will coordinate policy for Iraq and Afghanistan in the National Security Council (NSC). Not only will LTG Lute deal with the Department of Defense, but deal with other cabinet level officers including State, Treasury, and others in support roles. One of the major criticisms of the Bush Administration has been a seemingly disjointed coordination between the various governmental agencies and what they are trying to accomplish in the two countries. This has been clearly argued by politicians, reporters, and book authors who have criticized the bureaucracy that has hindered our efforts especially in Iraq.

MSNBC put up a *Financial Times* report that said: "One former senior Pentagon official said Lt Gen Lute would have a practical "nuts and bolts" role, and would be effective in encouraging other branches of the administration to work with the Pentagon. Robert Gates, US defense secretary, described the role of the "war czar" as "a 9-1-1 [emergency] number" for David Petraeus, who heads the US military in Iraq, and Ryan Crocker, US ambassador in Baghdad. He said the czar would be empowered by Mr. Bush to call up cabinet members and say: "The president would like to know why you haven't delivered what's been asked for yet."

Peter Rodman, a former senior Pentagon official under Donald Rumsfeld and Mr. Gates and now at the Brookings Institution, said he doubted Lt Gen Lute would be able to do that. "He is a three-star general familiar with the interagency process and is somebody that people know and respect," he said. "But he will not be able to order cabinet secretaries around."

In a *USA Today* story, retired Army General and frequent Iraq traveler Barry McCaffrey summed up the 70th Colonel's qualifications as: "There's nothing about these two conflicts he doesn't know." *USA Today* also mentioned that "other military officers have served in the National Security Council including Army Gen Colin Powell" under President Reagan. For the record, former Company G/ I Troop Commander in 1959-1960 the late LTG Robert L. Schweitzer also served as a general officer assigned to the NSC early in the Reagan Administration.

We in the Regiment and the Association who know and have served with Doug Lute wish him the very best as he steps out from the frying pan of the Joint Staff Director for Operations into the fire that makes up the White House and national politics. We also know that his cool competence, low-key, consensus approach to problems, and his ability to get along with "difficult people" will serve him greatly during and after Senate confirmation. In his White House announcement, President Bush said: "General Lute is a tremendously accomplished military leader who understands war and government and knows how to get things done. He has already earned the respect and trust of the officials with whom he will be working in his new role." We hope he is successful beyond all measure, and we know he will get things done. *Toujours Pret Doug.* Top

Second Regiment of Dragoons Historic Research

By Len Dyer Reed Museum Curator

As everyone knows, Second Cavalry has a long and distinguished history, but the more that one digs into that history the more you will discover how little of it is told. Since I have been working at the museum, I thought that I had developed a strong working knowledge of that history, but the more I learn, the more questions and facts develop. One of the few benefits of being stuck here at Fort Lewis awaiting PCS Orders is the time to dig deep into the Regiment's history. If any of the members are interested in assisting in finding historic facts let me know. My focus has been on older publications that have been lost through time.

A few quick examples of what I have found so far:

I have discovered that we are missing a campaign streamer for Nebraska 1855, which the 6th Infantry carries on their Regimental Colors. I now have Army Registers from 1868 & 1876, plus U.S. Congressional Records that address this missing streamer.

In Lambert's "One Hundred Year with the Second Cavalry" he referred to three groups of Arctic Explorers from the Regiment, but he missed the first one by Lieutenant Gustavus Doane in 1880 with the Howgate Expedition to Lady Franklin Bay.

Does anyone know about the Third Regiment of Dragoons that existed from 1846-1848?

Or that the Army had the rank of Lance Corporal around the turn of the century (1900) as an honorary rank for only one person per Troop?

Anyway, the fact is that I am finding a lot of great information to include within the Library/Archives will insure greater accuracy in the museum's exhibits. Eventually, from all the information I am finding, we will have a hard-copy in the Library and digital copy available for anyone doing historic research. Most of the items are public domain or their original publication date is in excess of 100 years. Here is a snap shot of some of what we will be including:

Official Army Registers: 1820 – 1838, 1848, 1850, 1853, 1858, 1861, 1864, 1865, 1876, 1880, 1910, 1918 & 1936. We also have both of Heitman's Registers covering the period from the American Revolution to 1903. There are more Registers out there; its just getting them on digits that is the issue. If anyone lives near the University of Michigan, their Library has most of these digitized all ready, so does Harvard and Stanford, as well as several other Universities.

Annual Reports of the War Department: we have digital copies running back to the 1860's and up to the 1920's.

A wide variety of older Army Regulations, Training Regulations, Uniform Regulations, Drill Regulations, Technical Manuals (WWII Vehicles to the 1960s), Field Manuals, Congressional Series Sets, and other published works

Classic Cavalry Tactics Manual:

1822, National Militia Standard Embracing the Discipline of Infantry and Cavalry, by Winfield Scott

1827, Lectures on the Tactics of Cavalry, by Bismark (German)

1832, Remarks on the Proposed Regulations for the Formation and Movement of Cavalry, (England)

1834, A System of Tactics or Rules for the Exercise and Maneuver of Cavalry, Light Infantry, and Horse Artillery, War Dept.

1841, Cavalry Tactics, part 2 & 3, War Dept. (continued on page 11)

1845, A Concise System of Instruction & Regulation for the Militia and Volunteers of the United States Comprehending the Exercise & Movement of The Infantry,...Cavalry,...by S. Cooper

1851, The Cavalry Catechism, by Robbins

1855, Cavalry Tactics, part 1, War Dept.

1861, Regulations & Instructions for the Field Service of the U.S. Cavalry, by George McClellan

1862, Cavalry Tactics or Regulations, by Philip St. G. Cooke

1864, The Cavalry Catechism, by Robbins

1865, A Treatise on Drill and Maneuver of Cavalry Combined with Horse Artillery, Smith (England)

1865, A Treatise on the Tactical Use of the Three Arms, by Lippitt

Civil War:

1862, Report on the Organization and Campaigns of the Army of the Potomac, by George McClellan

1863, General Orders, War Dept.

1864, General Orders of the War Dept. Embracing 1861-63, Vol I, by O'Brien

1865, History of the United States Cavalry, by A. Brackett

1878, The Right Flank at Gettysburg, Gregg's Cavalry, by Rawle

1881, The Peninsula, McClellan's Campaign 1862, by Webb

1893, Operations of the Cavalry in the Gettysburg Campaign, by Trowbridge

1900, History of the Cavalry of the Army of the Potomac, by Rhodes

1902 Final Report on the Battlefield of Gettysburg, Vol 2

1910 The Campaign of Chancellorsville, by Bigelow

1911 War Reminiscence and Stuart's Cavalry Campaigns, by Mosby

Mexican American War:

1848, The War and Its Warriors

1850, The War with Mexico Reviewed, by Livermore

1853, A Review of the Causes & Consequences of the Mexican War, by Jay

1860 The Mexican War & Its Heroes

1860 The Mexican War, by Mansfield

1919, The War with Mexico, vol. 2, by Smith

Spanish American War

1898, The Santiago Campaign, by Wheeler

1901, The Spanish American War, by Alger

1907, A Recent Campaign in Puerto Rico, by Herrmann

This should give a feel for some of publications that we now have added to the Regimental Library; there is a lot that I did not list and there is more to be found. Any assistance with locating other publications (New and Old) related to the history of the Regiment would be greatly appreciated.

Len Dyer

(Editor's Note: As of May 30th, Len still does not have PCS orders to Germany, but still expects to get them sometime "soon". The Regiment's deployment to Iraq is not expected to cause a further delay.)

REMEMBER YOUR REGIMENT
The Second Armored Cavalry Kasernes 15 Years Later



Merrell Barracks Today – Photo by Mrs. Rick Pomerance

From Various Correspondents:

Rick Pomerance: I don't get over that way much, but I know Merrell was and is under monument protection. The Germans pumped over a half billion dollars into it and now use it as the Federal Office for Immigration. It will undoubtedly last the thousand years, even if there is no Reich to go along with it. As for the rest of the Nuremburg area: the old PX buildings in Furth were demolished and now its like a small shopping area for the Germans living in old Kalb Housing and in the renovated and new housing on Darby: the Officers' Club and Gas Station complex was demolished and is now a small shopping center; Pastorious was also renovated after going over to the Germans.

Ron Mazzia: The Germans didn't just patch the shell strikes against the old building (Merrell), they completely re-bricked the entire structure. That must be why our WWII shells only dented it...there were multiple layers of bricks covering it.

Randy Gordon: Bindlach is all German now. The old airstrip is a glider club's airport. The maintenance areas are small businesses. The housing is new and the barracks are apartments. The old headquarters looked to me to be some sort of club or gasthaus. Nothing on Pond Barracks is US anymore. The housing area is empty and in the process of being turned over to the Germans. Apparently the US held on to it until decisions about Graf and Vilseck communities were made. Camp May is a dorm for the sanitarium and Roetz is a secure area that I could not go in.

Major John Pendell: Bamberg now is home to part of the 173rd Airborne BDE while their new home in Italy is under construction.

EDITOR'S NOTES:

- Thanks to all who contributed to this issue, especially those in the Regiment in Germany.
- On May 9th the Defense Department announced that the 2nd Stryker Cavalry Regiment was one of ten units that would deploy to Iraq by December. **Thank you Dragoons** for serving. Our thoughts and prayers will be with you as you uphold the honor of the Regiment one more time.
- The amount of planning, organizing and coordinating for the November reunion is unbelievable. The Association owes special thanks to Bill Bewley, Chris Golden and others who helped. It will be a great event, made even better by attendance from as many members as possible.
- This is my last issue of the Thoroughbred as its editor. I have enjoyed the duty but it is time to turn the responsibility over to a fresh face. Fortunately, Ned Devereaux has volunteered for the position. Ned is an accomplished writer, spent many years in both 1st and 3rd Squadrons, is a life member of the Association and is very knowledgeable about the history and traditions of the 2nd Cavalry. Toujours Pret Ned.

The David Scroggins Collection**By Len Dyer**

David and Lola Scroggins currently reside in Yelm, WA where he runs a small business titled "Pony Soldier Mercantile". Dave is a former 3rd Cavalry Trooper and has spent a lot of time in the saddle as a cavalry re-enactor for the Indian Wars and Civil War. His knowledge and craftsmanship with leather goods is fantastic. Over the course of his life, Dave has collected and manufactured hundreds of Cavalry related items covering early Indian War through WWI.

Dave and Lola have decided to donate the majority of his collection to the "Second Regiment of Dragoons Heritage Center and "Reed Museum" at a time in the future. Both Tom Stewart and I have seen the collection and I can tell you the Regiment will be receiving a large number of items that will fill in several historic gaps and fill out numerous displays that only have a few items. With many of the items being reproductions, they can be displayed in a different manner than original artifacts that are placed under glass. It is the little details that make the difference in an exhibit. For example his WWI saddle (1904 McClellan), that has been dressed out completely including grain bag, tent roll, canteen,... or his Spanish American War uniform with the Cavalry yellow incorporated on the shoulders and pocket covers. Dave has also made several authorized and experimental leather and canvas belts, holsters and saddle bags used during the 1870s - 1920s.

Dave is also a through researcher and will dig into original Army publications so the items that he makes or collects are accurate and properly made. His collection will be an outstanding addition to the "Reed Museum".

In appreciation for his donations Dave has been designated "Saddle Sergeant" of the 2nd US Cavalry by the Regiment.

TAPS:

Roy A. Franke May 1, 2007

THE SECOND CAVALRY ASSOCIATION WANTS TO HELP YOU!



SCHOLARSHIP APPLICANTS

The Association is pleased to announce that sufficient funds are available in the Scholarship Trust to provide up to two \$1,000 scholarships for the 2008-2009 school year.

PURPOSE: To provide funds to the selected recipient to attend any accredited associate degree, bachelor's degree, or master's degree producing school.

ELIGIBILITY: Any 2nd Cavalry Association member and their children, **active soldiers in the 2d Cavalry and their families are eligible to compete for this scholarship.**

APPLICATION PROCESS: Applicants should write a letter of consideration to:

Col(R) Steve Robinette
2d Cav Scholarship Committee
3211 S. Valleyview
Springfield, MO 65804

The letter of application should include the applicant's name, address, telephone number, and how he/she meets the eligibility requirements. The applicant must also submit a typed three page, double-spaced essay, using standard font size and style, explaining what he/she thinks is the historical significance of the return of the 2nd Cavalry Regiment to Germany. These documents are due by August 15, 2007.

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Dates of ACTIVE service in the armed forces: _____

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