



ARMY'S MOST-DEPLOYED UNIT MAINTAINS ITS REPUTATION

Since its reactivation over 35 years ago, the 10th Mountain Division (LI) has gained and earned the title of the Army's most-deployed division. It was designed to be responsive to emergency situations in a hurry, and has continued to meet those criteria and more. The past several months are no exception.

In particular, members of the 10th Combat Aviation Brigade (CAB) returned this fall from Europe after extensive maneuvers with NATO (North Atlantic Treaty Organization) allies. The soldiers and their helicopters could be found everywhere.

Army Chief of Staff --and former 10th Mtn Div commander General Mark Milley-- found them in the wilds of Romania, but they also traveled from Germany to the north and along the border. Near the end of their tour they were able to travel to northern Italy, where they were welcomed as they walked the villages and mountains of their predecessors during World War II.





At the same time, others in the CAB are spending a tour in South Korea. In the meantime, units of the 1st Brigade Combat Team (BCT) are serving in Cameroon, Africa. The 3d BCT at Ft Polk, LA, departed for Iraq this fall. Service continues in Afghanistan, where Division Headquarters will deploy yet-again in early Spring, 2018; members of 1st Bn, 87th Inf, 1st BCT are already in country.

Meantime, back at Ft Drum, headquarters units set up on Division Hill for a Division Warfighter, “Operation Denali” exercise. They were visited by GEN Robert B. Abrams, commanding general, U.S. Army Forces Command, as units spent two weeks under canvas, joined by an element from the 82nd Airborne Div from Ft Bragg, NC; 101st Air Assault from Ft Campbell, KY; 1st Cav Div, Ft Hood, TX; partners with the 86th Inf Bde from Vermont, and Air Force units.





Felicity Hallanan, Associate

“The times they are a’changing’...” If you’re among those who remember those words, it dates us. So even if we’ve tried to stay up with trends and differences in what we grew up with, still we remember, and we know what we grew up with isn’t necessarily irrelevant.

That being said, we who know the words of that song grew up reading books and newspapers and communicating in person or by phone or on tape. And the world’s moved along and later generations are focused more on electronic devices which supposedly help them communicate more efficiently. And that excludes the aforesaid newspapers, and that includes the “Blizzard” of the National Association of the 10th Mountain Division.

So here we are, initiating a different means of sharing, for some means of passing along stories and information about our members. We’ll post these “newsletters” on a regular basis. We’ll look forward to continuing conversations and receiving news from those members and others who’ve been so conscientious about keeping us informed. And we sincerely hope that anyone capable of printing out what’s here, will do so for others who may not or choose not to be as linked to computers as the rest of the Association.

So...here we go!

A few details FYI: This version of “Blizzard” will appear at www.10thmtndivassoc.org, four times a year. We will send email reminders to our faithful contributors including Chapter presidents, EXCOM, Foundation president and Resource staff, to notify them that a new version is upcoming. And of course we will continue to appreciate all other contributions including entries for Taps, personal stories, search requests, etc., sent to www.blizzard@ gmail.com or Editor, 95 Zahler Tract, Sandy Creek, NY 13145.



FORT DRUM, NORTHERN NEW YORK WELCOME INTERNATIONAL SOLDIERS

Participants in the 32nd Congress of the International Federation of Mountain Soldiers (IFMS) spent Sept. 13-16, 2017 in Northern New York.

Based out of the 1000 Islands Harbor Hotel in Clayton, NY, the Congress opened with a ceremony on Sept. 14, joined by local Association members. BG (Ret.) Renato Genovese, current Secretary of IFMS, declared the Congress open, noting that seven of the 11-member nations were represented. MG (Ret.) Galen B. Jackman, president of the National Assn of the 10th Mtn Div, welcomed the group and noted deployments of the 10th at this time. According to MG Walter E. Piatt, current CG of the Division, current deployments are in Estonia, Iraq,

Afghanistan, Kuwait and South Korea so that, as he told the group, “The sun never sets on our patch.”

Following the ceremony, the group boarded vans for a memorial service at the Military Mountaineer Statue in Memorial Park in front of Hayes Hall, post headquarters, on Ft Drum. At that point they were further joined by a class of new arrivals on post, thus giving those soldiers the opportunity to learn firsthand about the 10th's history and involvement with other nations.

During the wreath-laying, General Piatt noted that 20 pedestals surround the statues, naming soldiers who have died since Sept. 11, 2011. A 10th Mountain soldier in full, light fighter winter gear, stood by through the ceremony.

Beyond that, at the conclusion of the ceremony the IFMS group was invited by Major General and Mrs. Piatt to visit his office in the nearby headquarters building, where they were regaled with an extensive history of the Division as it is commemorated in HQ. That was followed by lunch at the Light Fighters' school featuring demonstrations of equipment including a 10-man tent setup, training methods and rappelling.

Other activities during the Congress included wine tasting at the Thousand Islands Winery, which was founded by a retired member of the Division, and a boat tour of the Thousand Islands and the St Lawrence Seaway.

Business sessions included reports from Bulgaria, Spain, France, Austria, Germany, Italy and the U.S., as well as from 10th Mtn Descendants' president Steve Coffey, who reported on a successful trip by 90 family members to Italy this past summer, with another trip planned for 2020, at the 75th anniversary of the cessation of WWII. The group also heard from immediate past president of the 10th Assn, Michael Plummer (COL, Ret.).

Members of the Ft Drum Chapter of the National Association of the 10th Mtn Div hosted the event, the first time the U.S. has done so since 2005. Approximately 60 attendees responded, from Austria, Bulgaria, France, Italy, Germany, Montenegro, Slovenia, Spain, Switzerland and the United States; delegates from Poland were unable to attend at the last minute due to concerns about maneuvers of Russian military along their border.

IFMS was founded in 1985, meeting first in Mittenwald, Germany. Camaraderie in the group has brought them together regularly since then. The next Congress will be held in Poland or Italy, to be determined in the near future; Germany has offered to host a Congress in 2020, and France in 2021.



GRANDDAUGHTER HONORS FAMILY VETERAN WITH DEDICATION



On Sept. 8, 2017, Katherine Hauptman, granddaughter of Chuck Hauptman (85-HQ-3), had a community open house at her new office building in Montana City, MT.

She is the owner of Eagle Ambulance Service. She surprised her grandfather by unveiling a metal insignia of the 10th Mtn Div with a banner of her grandfather's name, and by dedicating the building to him. Those in attendance included Chuck's son Jim and wife Linda, grandsons Jim and Charlie, son John and wife Linda, daughter Anne Bulger and husband Brian, granddaughter Katherine (Bob) great grandchildren Faith, Eli, Gradee and Hayden, granddaughter Anne Wright and husband Paul, and nephew Ed Hudson.

VETS HELP DEDICATE COLORADO FREEDOM MEMORIAL

Thomas Hames (Desc 87-K)

Veterans of the 10th Mtn Div participated in a May 27, 2017, dedication to an addition to the Colorado Freedom Memorial.

Richard Over (110-SIG) and Frank Romano (86-K) represented the Division at the dedication of a 10th Mountain Division flagpole as part of a ceremony at Aurora.

The event included a 50-man choir, the Air Force drill team and the interment of soil from European cemeteries where Coloradans are buried. Master of ceremonies was Rick Crandell, who with his wife is founder of the memorial and organizers of the ceremony.

It was a moving and powerful event. If you have a chance, visit this memorial. It lists Coloradans who perished in conflict, including 38 members of the 10th Mtn Div during WWII.





ROCKY MOUNTAIN DESCENDANTS



The Rocky Mountain Chapter held its picnic in July and is looking forward to the Coors Veterans Day ceremony and the chapter's annual Christmas/Holiday Party at the time of this writing. In between the picnic and the two upcoming events, the chapter held its annual fall event in Grand Junction, CO. Descendant, Denise Taylor, wrote this recap of the event:

Denise Taylor (Descendant 126-D)

The Rocky Mountain descendant chapter held its annual fall event, Sept. 28-Oct. 1. A grand time was had by all. We had 26 in attendance, including two WWII Vets, John Tripp (87-L) and Clark Wingate (87-L), which made everything that much more special.

The event kicked off Thursday at Maison La Belle Vie, a beautiful French winery in Palisade, CO. We tasted great wines and tasty charcuterie trays. John Barbier, the owner, was so excited to have the WWII vets there. Several of us stayed afterwards to enjoy delicious crepes and to spend more time laughing and enjoying our 10th Mountain descendant friends and family.

On Friday, we visited the 157th National Guard-10th Mtn Div facility in Grand Junction. We were hosted by SFC Chuck Johnson, who showed us winter mountain gear and weapons that the Guard trains with, along with a tour of the facility. We all enjoyed a nice lunch together afterwards.

Later that day, we met up at a beautiful picnic area at the Colorado National Monument. While there, we visited, went hiking, ate BBQ, and took in the spectacular views around us. The highlight of the afternoon was listening to John Tripp tell stories, recite poetry, and sing songs. He still remembers all the words at 98!!

Saturday, several of us were supposed to go to the air show where the Thunderbirds were to fly. However, it was rained out. No worries though, as the sun came out later and Karin and Kenny Daniels hosted us at their beautiful campsite at the James Robb state campground. Again, we enjoyed more beautiful views, great food, and lots of laughs. To cap off the evening, everyone enjoyed a campfire and roasted marshmallows – very 10th Mountain-like. Fun times for sure. Thanks to Karin and Kenny for hosting a special evening.

As with other chapters, the Rocky Mountain descendants chapter has a great group, which now includes the 157th National Guard. Over the years, we have become like family, for which I am very grateful to be a part.

NORTHWEST

Maria Rainey (Desc)

We had 9 dedicated souls who came out on a rainy Sat. October morning to help take care of our trees. Thank you so much!

We were able to replant one tree; two more arrived that night for us to plant. Go figure! We took down one tree to make way for its replacement and did tons of weeding and trimming. We also did a cleanup and found 5 bottle tabs to add to Jim Bray's Ronald McDonald house donation. Evan took down the plaque to get some repair work done --so don't worry!

So proud of our 10th Mtn Northwest Chapter!

UPSTATE NEW YORK

William Morrison (86-L), Dave Morrison (Desc)

It has been a bittersweet summer for the Upstate NY Chapter this year.

On Aug. 17, we got to attend the Tenth Mountain Division re-dedication ceremony at Whiteface Mountain near Lake Placid, NY. It was a beautiful day on the mountain, and we were treated to speeches by the historian of the National Ski Patrol about the work of Minnie Dole in the creation of the Tenth. Bill Morrison spoke regarding some of his feelings and experiences leading up to the war in Italy. Division CG, MG Walter E. Piatt, talked about the present and future of the Tenth.

Some of the new soldiers got to see the monument at the top of the mountain and learn firsthand about some of the history of the Division. Three WWII veterans were in attendance: Charlie Smith (85-I), Harold McAfee (85-L) and Bill Morrison.

On a much sadder note, we had to say farewell to three of our members who completed their Climb to Glory: Horton Durfee (86-L), Phil Santasiero (87-K), and Bill Millette (605-A-FA). As sad as we were to say goodbye, our hearts were warmed by the show of support of family and friends, and the military honors in tribute to their service.

At our fall luncheon at the Log Jam restaurant in Lake George, honorary donations were authorized to the Ft Drum Wounded Warriors, the Tenth (LI) Scholarship Fund, and The Tenth Mountain Foundation Scholarship Fund in the names of our departed members. Members in attendance included Vets Al Soria (87-L), Harold McAfee (85-L), and Bill Morrison; spouses Nancy Looby (85-I), Bev Folderman (605-A-FA), Lorraine McAfee, and Emmy Santasiero. Also in attendance were Descendants Jill Hamlin (Norton Stanton 86-A), Carol McKenney and Paul Sonricker (Earl Sonricker 87-B), and Dave Morrison.

WASHINGTON, D.C.

Kim Hudyma (Desc 86-SVC)

We had a lovely Veteran's Day Luncheon on Saturday, Nov. 11 at Morton's The Steakhouse in Arlington, VA. The president of the National Association of the 10th Mountain Division, Galen Jackman (10th Mtn Div [LI], MG, ret.), spoke on changing perspectives about America at war, "Then, Now and Next."



Several chapter members joined the "Hill Towns Discovery Tour" last June. Grazie mille to Steve Coffey, Val Rios and Don Perkins for planning a wonderful trip. As usual the food was superb, and the new friends were made.

Chris Fazi (Friend) attended our July Patriotic Picnic and brought some WWII radio equipment he has collected. Hassell Vass gave advice to the group how to use it.

Many thanks to Norm Burkey (Desc 85-C) for his many years of service as our WDC Chapter Treasurer. In addition, he kept track of the books for our 2013 National Reunion in Washington, D.C. Our new Treasurer is Kristen Pryor-Ventimiglia (Desc 85-E). We know she will do a great job.

Sally Oesterling (Desc 87-HQ-3) and Pete Naylor (Desc 87-HQ-3) attended the ceremony at the National WWII Memorial during Memorial Day Weekend. Pete had the honor of laying the wreath for the Army Air Force, his branch of service in the Pacific theatre during WWII.

NEW ENGLAND

Bob Linscott (Desc 86-G) and COL (ret.) Matt Fitzgerald (VTARNG)

Warren Bartlett (Desc 87-I) and the New England Chapter welcomed Summer 2017 by learning the great news that Warren had won the 10th Mountain Division Foundation's Boddington Scholarship! An avid skier since he was 2 years old and a talented ski jumper since age 7, Warren became an active member of the New England Chapter, 10th Mountain Division Descendants in 2009, at age 11.

The New England Chapter congratulates Warren for all his accomplishments leading up to his winning this prestigious award, and wishes him every success as he begins his Junior year pursuing his Bachelor's Degree in Physical Therapy and Sports Medicine at Plymouth State University!

In the early 1990's, Warren Bartlett (87-I) placed a white cross in a forest clearing behind his home in Lancaster, NH, in memory of Orval McDaniel, his closest wartime pal who was killed in Italy on April 16, 1945, during 87-I company's ascent on Mt. Mosca. Over the next few years, Warren would place crosses for John Burgess, Cal Farnham and Eugene Rice, lifelong friends with whom he enlisted, and who'd recently passed away. With these four crosses the New England Chapter in 1998 began its tradition of re-dedicating Warren Bartlett's 10th Mountain Division Memorial Garden each year on the 2nd Thursday of July.

Late last year, the New England Chapter learned that the Bartlett Farm had been sold and the new owners were insisting the Memorial Garden be removed. In March 2017, New England Chapter descendants Lloyd and Joanne Donnellan (Desc 87-I) offered a small, serene, hillside portion of their property in Landaff, NH, for what would become the new Bartlett-Crist Memorial! Thanks to Lloyd's construction skills and dedication, combined with manpower and equipment volunteered by neighbors Ben and Errold Peters of Peters' Logging, the heavily wooded lot was cleared, de-stumped, excavated and seeded as soon as the spring thaw allowed vehicles on site.

During the week 25-30 June, New England Chapter volunteers Dick and Millie Calvert (86-HQ-2), Lois Crist (87-I), Shirley Bartlett (87-I), Lloyd and Joanne Donnellan (Desc 87-I), Chapter President Matt Fitzgerald, Brewster and Michele Bartlett and son Warren (Desc 87-I), Bonnie and Steve Beyer and son Matt (Desc. 87-I), Bob Linscott, Sue Hagerman (Desc 86-SVC) and Wayne Kellner installed flagpoles, installed and painted the 100+ crosses removed from the old Bartlett Memorial, and completed final preparations necessary for what would be a most memorable memorial re-dedication on Saturday, 22 July!

Special thanks and appreciation go out to Lois Crist, Jeff and Joy Crist, and Chuck and Nancy Milch for their financial support; to members of the Ross-Wood VFW Post No. 20, Haverhill, NH, and the Woodsville, NH, American Legion for providing the honor guard and 21-gun rifle squad, and Chaplain Mal Kircher for his prayers, reflections and benediction!

The New England Chapter's 2017 Mt Washington Memorial began on Aug. 9 with a dedicated group of Chapter descendants and Vermont Army National Guard soldiers from the Army Mountain Warfare School (AMWS) in Jericho, VT, ascending the Ammonoosuc Trail to the Lake of the Clouds hut for the next day's 35th annual memorial ceremony. Led by Matt Fitzgerald, the group included his wife Kathleen and son Kiernan, descendants Sue Hagerman, Brewster and Michele Bartlett and son Warren, Cynthia Sweeney (Desc. 10-RECON), Slade Farnham along with his wife Lynette and son Cooper, SFC Duncan Domey, and Shawn Jenkins and his daughters. AMWS mountain training instructors 1st SGT Tom Kontos and SGT Youngblood provided essential safety and logistical support for the hikers in addition to their ceremonial duties during the memorial.

The Mt Washington memorial is the New England Chapter's most popular annual event and this year's 35th memorial was no exception! The 50-60 Chapter members, descendants and guests who attended included distinguished guests: New England Ski Museum Executive Director, Jeffrey Leich; New Hampshire National Guard (NHNG) State Command Sergeant Major Lore Ford, Vermont State CSM Toby Quick, along with MAJ Jason Boyd and numerous other 86th Brigade soldiers. WWII 10th Mtn Div veterans in attendance included Dick Calvert and Don Linscott (86-G).

The formal ceremony commenced with a brief history of the formation of the 10th and the division's accomplishments in WWII through present day conflicts, followed by a roll call and the placing of a memorial wreath and flowers commemorating the 12 WWII Chapter veterans who passed away since our 2016 memorial. The playing of "Taps" formally concluded the ceremony. Following the memorial, members and guests enjoyed a traditional picnic lunch hosted by the staff at Wildcat Ski Area in nearby Pinkham Notch, NH.

ARMADILLO

Phebe Davol (Desc 86-L, 86-HQ)

Sean P. Ellis (10th Mtn Div 2/22 Inf B Co) attended the Armadillo chapter reunion in Dallas held Sept. 8-10, 2017. During the reunion attendees provided donated supplies and financial donations which Sean took for distribution to his VFW Post in Tomball, TX, to support those impacted by Hurricane Harvey, which particularly impacted the Houston area on Aug. 25, 2017.

It is with pleasure that our Chapter elected/approved Sean to serve as our President In his words, "It is a real honor to take on the role of 10th Mtn Div Assn President of the Armadillo Chapter. I served in the 10th back in 1992-1995 as an Infantryman of the 1st Brigade. Following the Triple Deuce motto to "Lead with Courage!" I hope to help grow and organize our Chapter to accomplish goals in our local communities. Therefore, 2018 should be an exciting year of getting our name out there and rallying the many former 10th around our causes and joining the association."

His goals include:

1. Highlight & recognize the 10th Mountain's accomplishments in our communities
2. Honor those with 10th Mountain service
3. Support 10th Mountain soldiers and families in transition

You can contact Sean at# 281.536.8253 or e-mail seane@gyrodata.com.

In terms of Descendant activities, The Armadillo Chapter celebrated our annual reunion in Dallas, TX, Sept. 8-10, 2017. We had an outstanding number of attendees, with two WWII Veterans, Hulin Robert (86-K) and Merrill Clark and wife Bette (85-K), as well as Mrs. Lois Daneman, widow of Marty Daneman (85-HQ-2).

Activities included visits to the Frontiers of Flight Museum and Holocaust Museum on Saturday, followed by a magnificent Italian dinner at that evening, then a White Armadillo Auction intended to bring in funds to assist with this reunion as well as future reunions. Some attendees toured the George W. Bush Presidential Library on Sunday.

The Chapter held another event in October. On the 14th, members from Arkansas and Oklahoma visited the Darby Monument in Ft Smith, AR. Ft Smith was the birthplace of BG William Darby, who served with the 10th in Italy and was founder of the US Army Rangers. The monument is a recreation of documented pictures of General Darby riding a 1942 Harley-Davidson WLA during WWII. Original dedication of the monument was held April 30, 2016. Darby was promoted to Brigadier General posthumously.

Every year, the Italians hold an Annual April 30th Col. Darby 40 Mile-12 Hour Ranger Road March Challenge to not only honor Col. Darby who was killed at Torbole (Lake Garda) on April 30, 1945, but also to honor the 25 missing in action (MIA) 10th Mtn Division soldiers who drowned there while being transported in a DUKW at the same place and the same day.

On Sunday, Oct. 15, Emily Wood (W, Philip Wood 10-HQ-MED) hosted a lunch in Tulsa, OK, at The Methodist Manor. Descendants spent the afternoon sharing stories, photos, letters and other memorabilia of our fathers, grandfathers, and great grandfathers' time during WWII. Chad Jones (Desc 86-HQ) captured additional videos for our current chapter video project to preserve the legacy of the 10th Mountain WWII Veterans.

The Armadillo Chapter is also beginning a new video project. We are attempting to capture the stories of the WWII 10th Mtn Div veterans and their families from our chapter. Some of the video can be found on our YouTube channel listed above. This is an ongoing project and we are looking for others willing to share their stories!

Future events include a spring camping trip in Arkansas. Our Annual 2018 Reunion (open to all Chapters) is planned for Galveston, TX. For more information please contact Karen Case at 501-472-4588 karencase0303@gmail.com.

The Armadillo Chapter is now active on social media!

YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCS2MSxm3FPUWQs-a8TpOG2A>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/10thMountainArmadillo/>

Twitter: <https://twitter.com/10thArmadillo>

Instagram: <http://www.Instagram.com/10thArmadillo>

METRO NY

Rosario Salemi (Desc 10-HQ)

The Metro Chapter held our first luncheon in June. We had a small but spirited crowd at Maggie May's, a cozy Irish-American pub/restaurant in Bayside, Queens, N.Y. One of our honored dinner guests was Walter H. Stewart (85-B, D) who educated me about much regarding life in the 10th during WWII. Additionally, his connection to the 1946 historical novella about the 10th titled "Night Climb" by Frank Harper was most interesting.

We are planning another event at the same restaurant on Dec. 9, 2017, 1-4 p.m. The place is located at 214-22 41st Avenue, between Bell Boulevard and 214th Place) Bayside, N.Y. 11361; telephone #718.224.9898. Price per person is \$39 for everything, including any parking cost. We offer a discount for 10th veterans. For any questions or directions please call me at #347.744.0121 or 718.932.5351.

For our December luncheon, we hope to have a more varied group including current 10th members plus relatives and friends. Additionally, we are bending every effort to be graced with the presence of at least member of a Gold Star family. We are planning a raffle and encourage everyone to bring at least one photo or memento of a beloved 10th Mountaineer, past or present. Stories and sharing memories about them are most welcome.

We are planning to contribute very soon to contribute to the Adopt-A-Platoon Program that Mike Plummer (COL, Ret.) supervises. Once we are assigned our platoon from a recently deployment, we will begin filling and shipping out Military Kit boxes supplied to me by the U.S. Post Office. We hope to send monthly packages of 30 lbs. or more to a platoon in one of many places around the globe such as Iraq, Afghanistan, Africa, South Korea and elsewhere.

Finally, Anne Saunders, author of "A Travel Guide to World War II Sites in Italy: Museums, Monuments, and Battlegrounds," tells us that there is a chapter about numerous memorials to the 10th in northern Italy. The book is described more fully on Amazon and the website TravelGuidePress.com.

SIERRA NEVADA

Val Rios (Desc 87-K)

The Sierra Nevada Chapter held their fall luncheon on Saturday, Nov. 4, 2017, at the Old Spaghetti Factory in Elk Grove, CA. Although small in number this time, everyone thoroughly enjoyed each others' company and conversation. The luncheon concluded with only a slightly off key rendition of "Ninety Pounds of Rucksack."





Barton, John D. (87-HQ-1), 95, August 25, 2017, Bristol, RI. Survived by 2 daughters, a son, 6 grand-, 4 great-grandchildren.; predeceased by wife Dorothy (Brown). Served in 10th Mountain Division during both WWII, Korean Conflict; continued service in Army Reserve; retired as Major. Resided in Old Tappan, NJ; career in Manhattan in specialty business equipment as National Accounts representative; later owner-operator of Audit Controls Co in RI. Member, president Bristol County Lions; president Veterans Council; AMVETS representative for VA Voluntary Services; Adjutant, Anthony C. Almeida Post # 237, VFW. Volunteer in a number of organizations. Active in New England Chapter as president; two-time National Assn, Meritorious Service Award recipient.

Barys, Edmund (604-C), 93, September 17, 2017, Hixson, TN (formerly of Wilmette, IL). Survived by 2 sons, 4 grandchildren and one great-grandchild; predeceased by wife Betty. Entered food sales business & launched Midwest Marketing Network as owner & president. Worked with City of Hope Medical Center in raising millions of dollars for medical research; highly involved in his church, St. Joseph's, & Knights of Columbus. Member, Midwest Chapter, 10th Mtn Assn.

Buckland, Donald "Duke" E. (85-I), 96, July 19, 2017, Machesney Park, IL. Survived by a daughter & a son, 3 grand-, 5 great-, 2 great-great-grandchildren; predeceased by wife Ernestine L. (Carlson). Enjoyed woodworking, traveling & was an avid reader.

Condo, Albert C. (85-G, B), 92, April 9, 2017, Newtown Square, PA. Survived by wife Virginia, 3 sons, one daughter, 6 grand- & 3 great-grandchildren. Past president, Delaware River Valley Chapter, past vice president, National Assn, 10th Mtn Div. A 34-year career with Atlantic Richfield Co. (ARCO) included an assignment to Alyeska Pipeline Service Co.; responsible for development of ARCO's Arctic Protective Systems during construction of pipeline. Adjunct professor of chemistry, Villanova University for 20 years. Devoted his service to the 10th in memory of brother PFC Richard H. Condo, who was KIA on April 14, 1945.

Craig, Warren Chester (86-HQ), 94, August 6, 2017, Tigard, OR. Survived by wife Anne, a son, 3 grandchildren, many nieces & nephews; predeceased by a son. Long career as an electrician, member, IBEW Local 48, earning his 70 year pin. Volunteered with NorthWest Medical Teams (Medical International). Also

volunteer, Portland International Raceway for many years. Member, Tigard Lions Club & Calvin Presbyterian Church, Member, Northwest Chapter.

Lucas, Andrew "Andy" Luther (85-F, G), 92, September 22, 2017, Yuma, AZ. Survived by wife Gwen Marie (Otte), 2 daughters, a son, 9 grand-, 14 great-, 2 great-great-grandchildren. A commercial artist for Frye & Smith Publishing, creating & designing advertising billboards, magazine layouts, etc. for several accounts such as San Diego Zoo & Sea World. Also worked for graphic design firm Suzuki & Wright to develop groundbreaking magazine Psychology Today. Hobbies snow skiing, hiking, drawing and painting. Spent years documenting history of 10th Mtn Div, creating a room in his home honoring 10th troops with pictures, letters & memorabilia.

Millette, William A. (605-A FA), 92, September 17, 2017, Menands, NY. Survived by companion Beverly T. Folderman, several nieces, a nephew. Employed by former State Bank of Albany & later Norstar Bank, retiring as a vice president. Branch manager in Watervliet, Latham & Municipal Relations Dept., Albany. President, Latham Kiwanis Club, president, Latham Business & Professional Association, president, Rotary, a Paul Harris Fellow, All State Post Commander & All State Post Quartermaster, VFW City Post #729, Post Adjutant, Thomas B. Flynn American Legion Post #1035, president, Upstate Chapter, 10th Mtn Div Assn. Instrumental every year in planning City of Watervliet Memorial Day Parade.

Missildine, Alexander W. (710th Brigade Supp Bn, 3d Bde Combat Team, 10th Mtn Div, Ft Polk, LA), 20, October 1, 2017, in Salah ad-Din Province, Iraq. Survived by mother, father & step-parents, Tyler, TX. Died as result of injuries sustained when an improvised explosive device (IED) detonated near his convoy. A motor transport operator, joined the Army in July 2015. After training at Ft Leonard Wood, MO, arrived at Fort Polk in Dec. 2015. Deployed with his unit in Sept. 2017, to Iraq in support of Operation Inherent Resolve.

Peasley, Harold "Hank" M. (87-SVC), 94, April 8, 2017, New Britain, CT. Survived by wife Florence (Kristopik), a son, a daughter, a granddaughter, nieces & nephews. Employed in personnel department, Landers, Frary & Clark. Assistant director, New Britain/ Berlin United Way, development director, Mount St. John School, Deep River. Enjoyed painting & wallpapering career, fishing, golf, crafting clocks out of lobster traps & chair caning. Received Young Man of the Year Junior Chamber of Commerce Award, American Red Cross National Award for leadership in blood programs; president, Berlin Kiwanis. Member, St. Paul's Church, Kensington. Honored by Greater Middletown Chorale as 10th Mountain Division veteran in their production of "Letter from Italy 1944: A New American Oratorio" documentary.

Santasiero, Philip A. (87-K), 91, Queensbury, NY. Survived by wife Emmy. Worked six years on Wall Street, then had a career with National Cash Register Co. in Brooklyn and Queens. Active in Upstate NY Chapter.

Smith, Duane "Buck" Nelson (HQ, 85-3), 93, September 28, 2017, Binghamton, NY. Survived by wife Charlotte (Mattison), 2 daughters, 4 grandsons, 1 granddaughter, 2 great-granddaughters, nieces & nephews; predeceased by a son & a grandson. A long career with New York State Electric and Gas. Opened & ran Smith Hill where many local kids learned to ski. Long-time member, First Presbyterian Church, serving as Deacon, Trustee & Elder. Enjoyed years of travel, collecting, & great adventures.

GIFTS TO ASSOCIATION PROJECTS – RECEIVED WITH MANY THANKS

IN MEMORY OF:

William Millette: Anne Dembrosky, Jeanne & Thomas Cotrofeld, Eugene Devine, Albert Soria, James & Nancy Dunn, George B. Leckonby III, Beverly & Wendy Folderman, William Morrison, Jacqueline C. Coonan, Catherine Cholakis, Mary L. Dwyer, Nancy W. Looby, Thomas & Virginia Chichester, and Upstate NY Chapter.

John Barton: Leonid Sheftelevich, Bristol County Lions Club, Jean M. Vermette, Mary L. Dwyer

FOUNDATION SEEKING MEMBERS' PARTICIPATION

Greetings from your Foundation,

I am writing to update you on the Foundation's activities and to enlist your help.

In July, the Foundation board of directors concluded another successful annual meeting. The Foundation's endowment is now \$2.79 million. Our investment advisors generated about 3% growth over the past year. These funds, combined with license plate revenues, strategic partnerships and new donations, generated roughly \$160,000 in income. After our administrative and operating expenses, we were able to make grants of roughly \$120,000.

We have now aligned our budget and the grants along our new core program areas:

Monuments and memorials

The Foundation's original program, was allocated \$74.6K in funds with \$20K going to our third and final year of support for the Watertown Memorial near Ft. Drum. The remaining funds will support our ongoing maintenance of the Tennessee Pass memorial and the cemeteries in Florence.

Scholarships

The other core program area made \$20K in grants to undergraduate and graduate students who are primarily descendants of WWII veterans. The team is starting to explore ideas for better collaboration and synergy across the greater 10th community.

Collections and Public Resources

This newly formed team is providing \$31K in support to the core programs we have been supporting, including: The 10th Mountain Resource Center at the Denver Public Library, the 10th artifacts collection at History Colorado, and the 10th Mountain Living History Group.

Outdoor Experience

This other newly formed team is providing \$15K in grants to the Disabled Soldiers Winter Sports Clinic, the National Outdoor Leadership School (NOLS) and the 10th Mountain Huts Association.

Ski/Outdoor Industry

Foundation Chairman Tom Hames has worked behind the scenes for several years to develop strategic partnerships and to promote the foundation at ski industry events. The result this year was \$6K in partner sales donations. In the year ahead, this new team will also be exploring job transition networking into outdoor companies founded by 10th members.

What's next:

This past year, the Foundation team has made good progress toward the goals I laid out in my three-year vision of increasing the Foundation's relevance to the greater 10th community, including members of today's 10th. (With more than 600,000 veterans, these soldiers and their families are our future.) As a reminder these goals include: 1. Restructure with new teams/committees, 2. Rally around defined programs and projects, 3. Move the Foundation to more proactive, facilitating role as 'bank' for 10th community.

Our focus now spans donors, grant seekers and importantly, volunteers. This last point is where I would like to enlist your help. Specifically, I am hoping we can muster volunteers who would be interested in working on the foundation's program teams. We can also use help on our marketing team to help build awareness. As my grandfather, Minnie Dole, used to say, 'many hands make light work.' If you have ideas or suggestions or would like to get more involved, please feel to contact me (t.dole@10thmdf.org) or Lynn Hutchinson, our administrative director (admin@10thmdf.org).

Thanks in advance for your help and consideration.

Sempre Avanti,

Trux Dole (Grandson, C. Minot Dole)

ELECTRONIC BLIZZARD SCHEDULE

ISSUE #2/1-2018 Deadline for copy: February 1 to be Online: March 1

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10th Foundation Teams

OPERATIONS

Governance & Long Range Planning

Nancy Kramer - Steve Coffey – Thayer Shedd - Robbi Farrow

Finance

Bjorn Dahl – Joy Ellison – John Wright

Marketing & Communications

Trux Dole - Tom Hames

PROGRAMS

Ski & Outdoor Industry

Tom Hames – Lead

Volunteers: Trux Dole, Tom Williams

Outdoor Experience

Thayer Shedd /Paul Vertrees – Leads

Volunteers: Trux Dole, Jim Redmore

Collections & Public Resources

Dave Little - Lead

Flint Whitlock | Volunteers: Galen Jackman

Memorials & Monuments

Flint Whitlock – Lead

Dave Little

Volunteers: Steve Coffey, Steve Wilmot

Scholarship

Robbi Farrow – Lead

Sue Hagerman – Val Rios

Volunteers: Gill Pearsal, Dave Little