

Birddog Unit Memorial Committee
Report June 30, 2013

Here is an update on the situation concerning our Memorial. All good news, we think.

1 Our funds raised through June 30 are as follows:

# of Donors		245
Amount Raised	\$	49,373
Average Donation	\$	201.52
Goal		37700
% Complete		131.0%
Extra	\$	11,673

\$ 975	\$ 1,631	\$ 2,400	\$ 9,044	\$ 1,365	\$ 2,400	\$ 1,800	\$ 208	\$ 6,715	\$ 9,395	\$ 10,210	\$ 3,230	\$ 49,373
21st	73rd	74th	183rd	184th	185th	199th	203rd	219th	220th	221st	Other	Total
21st Black	73rd War	74th Alop	183rd Sea	184th No	185th Pte	199th Sw	203rd Hav	219th He	220th Cat	221st Shc	Other	Total
7	8	16	45	7	18	11	5	39	59	59	6	280

Monument Finances		6/30/2013	
	Expenses	Income	
Amount of funds raised		\$ 49,373.00	
Basic Monument w/bronze	\$ 37,700.00		
Bench, Black, Flat Seat, 36"	\$ 952.00		
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Two pads for above @162.5 ea	\$ 325.00		
Bench, Black, Oval Back	\$ 1,950.00		
Pad for above bench	\$ 275.00		
Lettering on Bench w/back, color	\$ 277.50		
Note: Total Bench Cost			\$ 4,731.50
Total Expenses		\$ 42,431.50	
Net		\$ 6,941.50	
Coins for donors est @ 3.50x 250		\$ 875.00	
Brochure for donors est @ \$5x250		\$ 1,250.00	
Blank Pavers (188)		\$ 691.84	May need more
Paver laying cost ???		\$ -	
Extra bench engraving???		\$ -	
	Net	\$ 4,124.66	

Note: Our fund raising efforts cease on June 30. We will not turn away donations after that time, rather, ask that the webmasters and others not advertise for more donations.

2 We are working on a brochure and challenge coins for the dedication. The coins may be used for the reunion too if the Reunion Committee wishes. This will need to be decided before final recommended design. We plan a brochure in full color that is 16 pages including a page for each unit panel and 14 unit pictures from the Vietnam era.

3 We are finalizing plans for the exact location of the monument and design of the pavers to be placed around the monument. Hank Collins has found a place to store our pavers until install time.

4 We are also working on recruiting non-Army units to attend the Reunion. Our efforts on that will cease once we have made contact with appropriate individuals in various units. This will then be passed on to the Reunion Committee.

5 We will shortly begin working on a draft schedule for the dedication of the monument. We expect, at this time, that the dedication will take place on October 8, 2015 in Veteran's Park, Ft. Rucker, Alabama. Inclement weather might drive us into the Museum.

If any of you wish to work on the details of ANY OR ALL of the above issues, please join us. Most work is accomplished by email, phone or, at times, Skype. Presently on this sub-committee are Burk Blob of the 74th, Hank Collins of the 221st and Norm MacPhee of the 220th. We may look at farming some of these issues out to others so that we can concentrate on placement of the monument, pavers and other final issues.

Most of you know that the Reunion portion of this adventure is being passed to others. We can already see the positive effects of the initial efforts leading toward October, 2015. That will be a great event for all of us.

Burk Blob
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