



Newsletter

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- Promote and establish activities that enhance the US Army Signal Corps.
- Provide contributions, grants, and scholarships to further these purposes.
- Administer funds and property for these purposes.

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1st Signal Brigade Association Charitable Donations

The 1st Signal Brigade Association membership is open to all those that have served, or are serving with the unit, including family associate members. Originally this service was primarily in Vietnam and Thailand and is now headquartered in South Korea. All those meeting these requirements are encouraged to join. A membership application is attached at the end of this newsletter, or you may join on our website at:

<https://1sba.wildapricot.org/Apply>.

A list of board members, history and events are readily available on the association website, which includes the most up-to-date information about association activities.

As is customary at our reunions, the 1st Signal Brigade Association announces donations to charitable organizations supported by the Army’s Signal Corps family and those that support our soldiers. Since 2010, the 1st Signal Brigade Association has contributed over \$19,500 to various charitable organizations. At the 2021 Reunion in Crystal City/Washington DC, the Association approved charitable donations of \$1000 to Soldiers and families of the 1st Signal Brigade, Korea, \$1000 to the Fisher House at Fort Gordon, GA, \$5000 for the construction of the Signal Museum at Ft Gordon, GA.

Purposes and Goals

- Promote continued comradeship among the past and present members.
- Preserve historical heritage.



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From the Association Chairman

Distinguished Colleagues,

Goin' to Kansas City, Kansas City, here I come. And my treasured friends are coming too for a great 1st Signal Brigade Reunion!!!

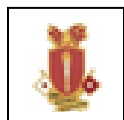
The heart of our reunions is always the hospitality room where camaraderie of great people reigns supreme. We share values and speak the same language. But Kansas City has a lot more to see and do, as outlined elsewhere in this newsletter. In addition to the tours offered, I am adding days to my stay to visit things I haven't seen yet on earlier visits. So, there's lots to do but best of all is our time together.

Many thanks to our Board of Officers and our Reunion Committee for their planning and ideas. And thanks to all of you for all you have done for our country and continue to do. We all lead in many ways, especially by example. Keep up the great work.

Last word - git your travelling boots ready and see you at the reunion.

Pete Kind

pro patria vigilans



Meeting Summary – 19 Nov 2022

- Treasurers Report (Dan Jett):

- Checking \$16,448.04
- Investment \$14,024.09
- PayPal \$ 64.99
- Total \$30,537.12

- **Membership Report (Bob Van Pelt):**

- Active 451
- Overdue 202
- New 2
- Total Active 655
- Lapsed 192

- **Web Report (Bob Motley):**

- **Webpage Updates**
Updated Home and Director's Pages
- **Membership Cards**
30 cards – renewal & 4 new members sent to Bernie Wallace for processing
- **Notifications**
Sent email about reunion to former reunion members and new members since the last reunion
- **Miscellaneous**
Replied to member seeking phone number of another member. Number had changed - database was updated and member was notified.
Created new invoice for lapsed member so he could renew his membership.

- **Newsletter:**

- Still no replacement. See details below on page 5.

- **Sales Report (Denny Byrnes):**

- Ordering 25 more polo shirts

- **Admin Report (Bernie Wallace):**

- Member was able to make a 1 year renewal but was unable to make a 2 or 3 year renewal with credit card. This will be investigated by the webmaster



- Member would like to volunteer. Gave him info on Newsletter and other needed positions. (see page 5).
 - Member would like to contact the Army Museum. Chairman Kind provided the following contact information for the Army Museum and the Ft. Gordon Historical Museum:
 - National Museum of the United States Army: - <https://www.thenmusa.org/>
 - Customer Service : 1.800.506.2672
Email: customerservice@armyhistory.org
 - Julie Kaplan
<julie.kaplan@armyhistory.org>
703-562-4175 Vice President of Development
 - Fort Gordon Historical Museum Society (FGHMS) – 501(c)3 raising funds to secure location to re-open the museum.
 - Amy Tuschen
ExecDirector@FGHMS.com
(706) 306-1494
570 Dewey Drive Augusta GA
 - **Directors and Officers:**
 - With the retirement of several directors, we are seeking members to join the Board of Directors. We meet on a zoom call 4 or 5 times a year. There is also a need for a newsletter editor and someone to help post our member pictures to our photo archive. Information can be found below on page 5.
 - **2023 Reunion:**
 - The reunion will be held in Kansas City, MO at the Kansas City Airport Hilton hotel.
 - Reunion is Thursday, Sep 21 thru Sunday, Sep 24, 2023
 - Events, tours and activities are mostly set although some modifications are still possible.
 - There is a KC Royals game on Wednesday as a possible activity for those coming in earlier in the week. KC Chiefs games are too far out to get any info. Unless there are enough people interested, these will not be sponsored tours.
 - There will be shuttle service between the airport and the hotel for those flying to the reunion. Other shuttle services will be determined later.
 - See the link on the next page for more information about the reunion
 - Any questions may be directed to our [Webmaster](#).
 - **New Business:**
 - Bob Van Pelt got a request from the Army Museum for a donation. This is the off year for our donations, but he made a motion that the association make a \$100 donation. It was seconded and was approved by a unanimous voice vote
- 2023 Meetings:** 11 February, 6 May, 15 July, 23 September, 18 November



The 2023 1st Signal Brigade Association reunion will be in Kansas City, MO. It will be held at the Hilton Kansas City Airport from 21 – 24 September. Detailed information about the reunion can be found on our [website](#).

Registration will begin in mid-January. Active members will receive an email with instructions on how to register for the reunion and the hotel.

MOVED? Have you moved?

At times the Association sends out information by mail or needs to call you. Because of this, we need a current address and phone number(s) for our database. If your mail is returned, we do our best to correct the address and re-mail it. This is usually done by sending you an email, if possible. If your physical or email address, or phone numbers changes, PLEASE update that information on your Association profile, or contact the [Webmaster](#) with the new information.



The 1st Signal Brigade is soliciting photos related to the unit and its activities. Contact the [Webmaster](#) to add your photos to the unit archives.

We are seeking a Newsletter editor to edit and proofread newsletters for grammar, spelling, style, and punctuation and ensure they are delivered on schedule, and deciding which stories would be featured in our newsletters. As such, you will be brought on as a director of the 1st Signal Brigade Association. The newsletters go out 4 times a year, or 5 times during reunion years.

There is also a need for someone to post the photos sent to us by our members. We have staff who will process the pictures, and then you will post them to our photo archive.

There have been several directors that have retired from the board recently, so we are seeking members to step up and join us on the Board of Directors.

Please contact our [Administrative Officer](#) if you are interested in any of these positions, or if you have any questions about them.



New Members

William Bates, 1st Sig Bde HQ, Saigon/Long Bin, '67-'68 + 3 tours in ROK

Robert Croughwell, 369th Sig. Bn., Can Tho, May '70 – Apr '71

Richard Daucunas, 36th Sig Bn/501 Sig Co, South Korea, 1973-1992

Bruce Davis, 1st Sig Bde HQ, Camp Humphreys, Korea, Active Duty

Thomas DiBartolomeo, 52nd Sig Bn, Can Tho, 1969

Earl Evans, 40th Sig Bn, Long Binh, 1969-1970

Stephen Johnson, 69th Sig Bn, Camp Gaylord, Jan '69 – Dec '69

Michael Pierce, 326nd Sig Co, Pr' Line, 22 years

Charles Reynolds, 361st Sig Bn, Little Vung Chua Mt (Quinon), 1969-1971

David Richardson, Stratcom HQs, 12/68 – 12/69

John Scott, Army Signal Command, Fort Huachuca, Arizona

Michael Shillinger, 1st Sig Bde HHC, Daegu S. Korea, 2003-2004

Phil Spencer, 40th Sig. Bn., Long Binh/Can Tho/Saigon/Thailand, '67-'69

Kenneth Vanderwall, 43rd Sig Bn, Camp Enari Pleiku, 1969-1970

John Wisor, 1st Sig Bde HHC Seoul, Phucac, Bang Pla, Yongsan, 1966-1991

Taps

COL Steven Harman passed on 16 Jan 2022, 52nd Sig Bn, 1968-1969,
307th Sig Bn 1970.

James A White passed on 20 May 2022, Phu Lam Sig Bn, 1968-1969

Pat Minnema passed on 9/8/2022. She was the spouse of the late David Minnema of the 459th Sig Bn

Sam M Dykes passed on 24 Sep 2022, 52nd Sig Bn



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Ball Caps - \$15



Bumper Sticker - \$2



Challenge Coins - \$18



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Golf-Shirts



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One Cup of Coffee per Month

What is the annual cost of membership to the Association? That would be the same as the cost of twelve cups of coffee. The monthly cost of \$1.25 for each cup of coffee equates to \$15.00 for the year.

One Cup of Coffee per Month



Don't you think that being a member of our growing Association is worth the cost of ☕ one cup of coffee each month?



Application for Membership

*Regular Membership shall be open to any person who was or is currently assigned to the U.S. Army 1st Signal Brigade. See Bylaws on-line at <https://1sba.wildapricot.org/> for veterans who are also eligible for Regular Membership.

Associate Membership shall be open to the surviving spouse or child of any person who would have been eligible for Regular Membership and such other persons with some connection to the 1st Signal Brigade as the Board of Directors may from time to time determine.

Life Membership shall be open to any person eligible for Regular or Associate Membership, who pays such one-time dues as may be prescribed from time to time by the Board of Directors.

Please select a membership level (based on above descriptions)

- | | |
|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> *Regular - 1 year - \$15.00 | <input type="checkbox"/> Associate - 1 year - \$10.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> *Regular - 2 years - \$25.00 | <input type="checkbox"/> Associate - 2 years - \$17.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> *Regular - 3 years - \$35.00 | <input type="checkbox"/> Associate - 3 years - \$25.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Life - \$250.00 (see above) | |

*First Name _____ Middle Initial _____ *Last Name _____

Nickname _____

Spouse's First Name _____ Spouse's Last Name _____

*Email Address _____

*Phone Number(s) (home) _____ (cell) _____

*Address _____

*City _____ *State _____ *Postal Code _____

*Military Status (Select one):

- | | | |
|--------------------------------------|--|----------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Active Duty | <input type="checkbox"/> Active Reserves | <input type="checkbox"/> Retired |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Discharged | <input type="checkbox"/> Civilian | |

*Military Unit _____

Please indicate the unit you were or are with, e.g. 459th Sig Bn, 41st Sig Bn Korea, etc.

*MOS _____ *Years _____

*Assigned Grade _____ *Last Grade _____

***-Required field**



Select the past reunions or events attended (if any):

- | | |
|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1995 Reunion in Washington D.C.
(prior to Assn. Inc.) | <input type="checkbox"/> 2010 Reunion in Tucson, AZ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 2000 Reunion in Crystal City, VA
(prior to Assn. Inc.) | <input type="checkbox"/> 2012 Reunion in Colorado Springs, CO |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 2004 Reunion in Rosslyn, VA | <input type="checkbox"/> 2013 Vietnam and Korea Trip |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 2006 Reunion in Crystal City, VA | <input type="checkbox"/> 2014 Reunion in Colonial Williamsburg, VA |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 2007 at "The Wall" in Washington D.C. | <input type="checkbox"/> 2016 Reunion in Branson, MO |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 2008 Reunion in Augusta/Fort Gordon, GA | <input type="checkbox"/> 2018 Reunion in San Antonio, TX |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> 2021 Reunion in Crystal City, VA |

Comments: _____

Please mail this form and a check or money order in the amount of your membership level (see above) to:

1st Signal Brigade Association
PO Box 562
Aberdeen, SD 57402

Allow 4-6 weeks for processing

Thanks, and Welcome,
Board of Directors
1st Signal Brigade Association