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THE KENNETH WORTHLEY MEMORIAL CHAPTER NEWSLETTER

The "20/20" Flash

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The Next Chapter Business Meeting:

The next meeting is at the

Glockenspiel Restaurant Tues, July 7th, 2015.

The Glockenspiel is near downtown St. Paul, (605 7th St W) and the meeting starts at 7:00 pm. <http://www.glockenspielrestaurant.com/>

Some folks show up early for dinner, about 6:15. Some folks show up early and socialize until the meeting. Some folks just come to the meeting. Come on down.

Upcoming Activities:

Two Harbors Heritage Days Parade Saturday, July 11th

Come on up for the Two Harbors Heritage Days Parade and activities. Attend what events you can, and have a great time being there.

If you can make it, the weekend begins Friday afternoon at Keith and Jean's place with a dinner of, typically, fresh-caught lake trout. You can google 1796 WALDO RD, TWO HARBORS, MN 55616; or call Keith for directions, 218-834-4600.

Saturday Morning starts with the Volunteer Fire Department Pancake Break-

fast. We normally get there by 9:00 am. After breakfast we get ready for the Parade and link up at the corner of 7th Avenue and 7th Street. We form up for the parade at 12:30; with a Parade start time of 1pm.

This is a large parade with usually 90 to 100 entries and we are the fourth entry in the Parade. The Parade is a rain or shine parade. Any member wishing to ride in the Parade truck, instead of marching, can do so.

After the parade we R&R at the American Legion and watch as a few of the bands from the parade play in the Legion Hall. We typically have the best seats in the house...it is great fun

Afterward, dinner is back at the Larson house and then we just play out the rest of the day.

Camping is always available and, if weather turns bad, shelter. Keith & Jean's phone # is 218 834-4600. You can jump on a computer and usually find a Two Harbor website for more info.

"Minnesota Voices of the Vietnam War" Saturday, July 18th

The Military Historical Society of Minnesota and the Minnesota Military Museum at Camp

Ripley invite you to the upcoming The Grand Opening of the “Minnesota Voices of the Vietnam War” exhibit on July 18, 2015 at the Museum.

See the enclosed flyer from Military Historical Society of Minnesota/MN Military Museum, www.mnmilitarymuseum.org

Editorially: there are several Chapter XX members who are planning on going to the Exhibit Opening. They will work with Doug on setting up a table. We will use the table to provide copies of our Chapter Newsletter, flyers for upcoming events, a sign-up sheet for the emailed Chapter monthly Newsletter, and refreshments (bottled water/sodas.) Other Airborne organizations are welcome to piggy-back on our activities by either showing up with your stuff or getting your stuff to Dan Kaiser, 507-647-3526, kais0063@umn.edu

All Airborne Days are in August. More information will follow.

Jumping With The Best, Tandem and Freefall Jumps at the Baldwin Drop Zone is now scheduled for August 22nd. See the enclosed flyer.

Chapter Pig Roast: We will be having a change of location for the September Chapter Pig Roast. More information to follow.

Christmas Dinner: The Christmas Dinner is also having a change of location. As I understand it, the Air Force (or Air National Guard or the Fort Snelling Command authority) have decided that, in this time possible terrorist threats, the Fort Snelling Officer’s Club is too unsecure. The short-term solution is to close the O Club. I presume an O Club will open on the Fort Snelling base, but until then

So we are exploring other venues for the Christmas Dinner and we should be making a decision at the next meeting.

After Action Reviews: Meeting Minutes: The April Business Meeting was on April

7th and started at 7:01 pm. Present were:

Jeff Arnold	Ron Lachelt
Doug Bekke	Bob Pike
Bob Bradow	Trudell Guerue
Laurie Johnson	Bridget Cronin

Ron made a motion to approve the May Minutes, as printed in the June Newsletter. Jeff seconded the motion and it was carried.

Jumping with the Best flyers were handed out. There will be another cook out at Baldwin and Ron will bring all the treats.

Doug Bekke noted that the Fort Snelling Officer’s Club was considered to be a target for terrorists and it will be closed shortly. We discussed several options and we will research the possibilities and make a decision at the next meeting.

Problems with the September Chapter Pig Roast were brought to our attention. Again, we will research our options and make a decision at the next meeting.

Ms. Bridget Cronin is the CEO of the Ars Bellum Foundation and she came to us to talk about her work treating PTSD patients through art and writing. Her organization is asking for some financial support and she is going to present a proposal on how her organization can work with us. She handed out her brochure with lots of good stuff inside.

We also discussed Two Harbor’s Heritage days Parade, 11th of July, and the “Minnesota Voices of the Vietnam War” at Camp Ripley on July 18th.

Other Information: From Bob K: A website titled “The 65 Most Perfectly Timed Military Photos You’ll Ever See” is at <http://www.rsvlts.com/2015/03/31/perfect-timed-military-photos/>

(I have included it for the picture, near the end, of a paratrooper after exiting a (presumably) C-17.)

From SFA HQ’s: SFA HQ’s received an email from USAA regarding potential credit card scams. (If I remember correctly, there was a deal where if you signed up for a

credit card, in coordination with USAA, then the SFA received a small refund on every purchase.)

From: Oakley, Glenda To: Cliff Newman
Sent: Wed, Jun 24, 2015; Subject: Card Cracking Scam Affecting Service Members
Hi Cliff,

Hope you made it back safely!

Please bare with me as this email is a little extensive, but extremely important. If you could post something on your website or send an email out to your regions to help spread the word and educate our troops, that would be great. See below.

Our communication's department asked us to send a message to our Affinity partners regarding a scam that is picking up traction to see if you could help us get the word out as much as possible.

Service members are under attack by scammers and it's potentially hurting their careers and their future financial fitness. Veterans and families members are not immune either. I apologize in advance as this email may be extensive, but we are asking for your immediate help to get the word out about an extremely serious scam.

Soldiers, Sailors, Marines, Airmen and Coast Guardsmen (the majority in the enlisted ranks) are being targeted and accumulating debt up to \$20,000 in belief there is a simple path to making easy money on social media.

Example: A Navy Seaman E-2, 20 years old, had a checking account balance of \$25 at USAA. After he engaged with the fraudster and provided account information, several fraudulent checks were deposited into his account, totaling \$17,453. The fraudster withdrew his fee and left the E-2 liable for \$6,500. This amount is carried to collections and will follow these young service members, impacting their credit and financial futures.

USAA is committed to protecting our members and we ask your help to bring awareness of this issue to all of your members so they don't fall victim to these scams.

Thank you for taking the time and energy to educate the 1CDA membership on this social media scam. Here are some details about the scam:

- * Fraudsters began targeting people on social media about 18 months ago. However, it has drastically grown in the past few months especially amongst younger targets.

- * Victims are offered the ability to make 'easy' money in exchange for their personal information (bank log in, password, PIN).

- * Fraudsters deposit funds into the member's account, \$5K to \$10K, withdraw their fee, usually 50 percent, before the funds are identified fraudulent, leaving the member or joint owner (e.g. parent, spouse, family member, etc) responsible for funds.

- * The person is responsible for funds since they proactively shared their personal information with the fraudster. The amount will carry over to collections and reside in their credit history until resolved. Victims of these scams risk ruining their credit, financial futures, careers, and some may even lose security clearances or face criminal charges.

Thank you again for your time and help in protecting our service members, veterans and their families.

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As always: on the next DROP Input: If you have pictures or news for Chapter section of The Drop, please email the info and/or pictures to Ron at Lachelts@gmail.com. You can also drop off your pictures or news at the next Chapter meeting. Thanks! Ron

(Editorially, since I have gotten way better at adding photos to the newsletter, please include me in the "cc" line for any pictures that you email to Ron.