

The Thoroughbred

THE REED MUSEUM



Len Dyer, curator of the 2nd Cavalry Museum at Fort Lewis, shows off a leather-hinged wooden boot used during the Greely Arctic Expedition from 1881 to 1884, in which 18 of the 25 volunteers from the 2nd Cavalry died after ships were unable to provide provisions for three years. The museum soon will move to Germany. Photo by **DEAN J. KOEPFLER/THE NEWS TRIBUNE**.

For the fourth time in fourteen years, the 2nd Cavalry is going to permanently relocate. Moving from Germany to Fort Lewis, Washington, in 1992, then to Fort Polk, Louisiana, then back to Fort Lewis, the Regiment is now packing to move back to Germany. That is to say, the 1st Brigade 25th Infantry Division, is preparing to reflag as the 2nd Cavalry Regiment (2 CR) and begin moving to Vilseck, Germany after June 1st, while the current 2 CR will reflag as the 4th Brigade, 2nd Infantry Division and remain at Fort Lewis. The reflagging and move are necessary, Army officials say, in order to retain the 2nd Cavalry on the roster of active units.

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Two 2nd U.S. Cavalry soldiers look at part of the collection of Riding Trophies, earned by the Regiment. Fort Riley, KS 1940

REMEMBER YOUR REGIMENT
The Second Regiment of Dragoons
Heritage Center and Museum
"The Reed Museum"
By Len Dyer

The 2nd U.S. Cavalry's "Reed Museum" is one of only three CMH authorized Regiment level Museum Activities in the U.S. Army.

The primary mission of the 2nd Cavalry's museum is to provide a professional facility for the study of the history of the current unit known as 2nd U.S. Cavalry.(Continued on Page 3)

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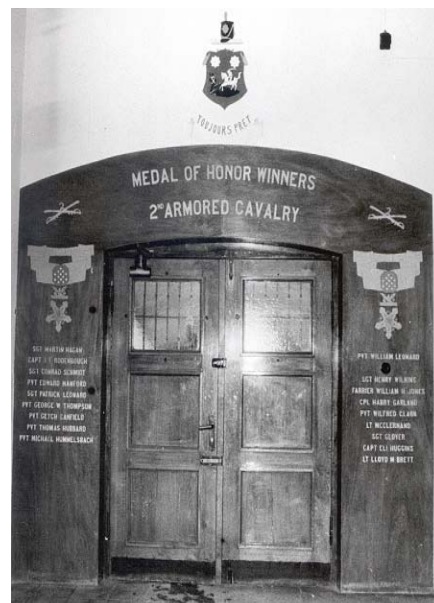
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Remember Your Regiment



Collection items on display at Nuremburg, Germany.



Entrance to Regiment's Trophyroom / Museum,
2nd Cavalry Regimental HQ, Nuremburg, Germany -
through 1992

The focus of the museum's collection is to gather artifacts, historic data and display items related to the Second Regiment of Dragoons, the 2nd U.S. Cavalry, the 2nd Cavalry Group (Mech.), the 2nd U.S. Constabulary, the 2nd Armored Cavalry Regiment and its current redesignation back to 2nd Cavalry, and any of the historical events in which these units participated. Additionally, there will be information on the Continental Congress authorized 2nd Regiment of Light Dragoons (27 Dec. 1776), and the 1812 War 2nd Regiment of Dragoons (11 Jan 1812).

Since the 2nd U.S. Cavalry Regiment is the Longest Active Serving Cavalry Regiment in the U.S. Army, with an official birth of 23 March 1836, plus this Regiment has one of the longest lineages of any Army combat unit and, of course, the 55 Campaign Streamers proudly hanging from the Regimental Colors is something that any soldier in the Army would be proud of. So telling the story of the Dragoons requires a special collection and museum. The collection currently does this through artifacts, reproduction uniforms and equipment, art work, photographs, and historical documents. The museum also currently contains a growing library and archives of reference materials in order to conduct research and accurately exhibit the collections displays. But this has not always been the case. (Continued next page)



Reed Museum Displays at Fort Polk

History of the “Reed Museum”

We know from limited documents that there was some type of collection prior to WW II, but to what extent is unfortunately unknown. The 1941 2nd Cavalry Division Yearbook did show a picture of regimental “Riding Trophies.” And we do know that most of the original regimental records had been turned over to the government in the 1920s, many of which ended up in the National Archives or at Carlisle Barracks, PA. We also know that the collection was left at Fort Riley, Kansas, in 1941, and that Col. Reed requested that it be sent forward to Germany after the war. The response to this request was that the collection was “missing”. That did not sit very well with the Regiment, especially since rumors indicated that some of the items ended up in other locations.

With the regiment located in Germany for almost 45 years, there was a slow rebuilding of a collection. But there was no exhibit development plan, adequate facility, funding or permanent trained staff to manage and collect the type of museum quality items. So, for many, the Regimental “Trophy Room” became the foundation for the new museum collection. This regimental conference room existed from 1963 until 1981 in the regiment headquarters. While many young soldiers might have known about the small museum, they probably stayed away from “Head shed” for fear of being near the Sergeant-Major. Most of the early support came from the WWII side of the 2nd Cavalry Association until 1981.

About this time a fairly new government agency of the Department of the Army, the Center of Military History (CMH) (continued on next page)



Reed Museum Displays at Fort Lewis

began looking into the management of historic items. In April 1980, Colonel Robert E. Wagner, the 60th Colonel of the Regiment, re-designated the headquarters “Trophy Room” as the “ Reed Museum”, named in honor of Colonel Charles H. Reed, the 31st Colonel of the Regiment and the WWII Commander of 2nd Cavalry Group (Mech). This young facility was granted status as one of CMH’s Historical Holding Areas in 1980. Even with this status very little changed in the collection. After Desert Storm and with 2nd ACR notified to re-flag and depart USAEUR for CONUS quick additions of cold war and Desert Storm items were gathered. Also augmenting the collection were the artifacts maintained and displayed in the “Border Museum” at Hof, a collection that was visited by tens of thousands of soldiers and family members, and numerous visiting dignitaries. Most of the items were of Soviet, East German and Iraqi origin. The regimental collection was shipped to Fort Lewis, Washington, in early 1992. Unfortunately once the small collection got to Fort Lewis, many of the unsecured items disappeared. (Continued next page)

Shortly thereafter, as the regiment began unit transition into 2nd ACR (Light), they moved again, this time to Ft Polk, Louisiana. The new trophy-room/museum facility was co-located within the regimental headquarters and was mainly decoration for the command conference room. Useable floor space had always limited the museum's growth potential. Additionally, the same issues listed earlier limited the development of the museum. As had been the case mostly in the past, a temporary soldier as the RS-5 and later a civilian temporary hire, attempted to manage the collection.

In 1998 a CMH team redesigned 2nd ACR's Museum layout and gave them a rough Story Line to follow that included importing American military items to be added to the collection. The Collection was beginning to expand and become a real museum. Then in January 1999, the Historical Holding Area title was replaced with Museum Activity (AR 870-20).

Under then Colonel Terry Wolff, (72nd Colonel) two more events happened. First, CMH officially authorized a museum staff of three, in July 2003, as permanent hire. And secondly, the Colonel's conference room was moved into another building, and the museum had room to begin growing to cover the almost 170 year storyline. The focus and "Scope of the Collection" was established with a major emphasis on the American side first. There are very big gaps within the regiment's storyline as the current staff began to fill, and build new displays and diorama exhibits. While there still are some displays on the opponent's side of the story, the main side will always be the U.S. Cav Trooper.

The museum is an educational facility, teaching soldiers the history, customs and traditions of the Cavalry and U.S. Army. Additional instruction is provided on weapons, military training, tactics and operations throughout U.S. Military History. The museum is also responsible for educating the Army's soldiers, their families and the public about the history, customs and traditions of the 2nd U.S. Cavalry.

The museum uses exhibits and displays to teach soldiers about weapon systems capabilities and limitations; historical tactics and operations used by this unit and others; training standards; a soldier's life experiences and challenges; and Army's Core Values.

After Operation Iraqi Freedom in 2004, the 2nd ACR moved again to Ft Lewis, WA, and was re-flagged as the 2nd Cavalry Regiment. After a long process, the collection and staff positions were also moved to Fort Lewis. A DPW restored building was given to the regiment for their museum. The collection was unboxed again and set up for the newly transitioned Stryker Cavalry Regiment.

With the current world events as they are, DA made a decision that they needed a Stryker unit back in Germany, and of course there is only one Regiment that could fill that task. . But it would be a new 2nd Cavalry rebuilt from 1st BDE/ 25th ID that would be going back to Vilseck, Germany. (Continued next page)

Future

The Regiment's museum will re-establish itself in Germany and continue to expand its knowledge of the 2nd Cavalry, its collection, archives, and library. The staff, once rehired, will continue to collect items in order to complete an accurate story of the regiment's past. The current list of future exhibit projects includes:

- A complete 1859 Cavalry Saddle rig,
- 1872 Cavalry Saddle rig,
- several horse mannequins for these and our 1904 and 1928 Saddles displays,
- a farrier, saddle maker, and medical exhibit circa 1870s,
- Medal of Honor dioramas,
- an 1870s barracks exhibit,
- complete sets of 1836 guidons, WWI guidons, Second Cav Group guidons, and 2nd Constabulary guidons,
- restoration projects (painting and re-tack marking) on most of the outside vehicles.
- Opponent displays for Seminole Warrior, Mexican lancer, Ute Indian, Johnny Reb, Sioux Warrior, Spanish soldier, Moro Native, German Hun
- hard copies of all regimental returns from our microfilm collection.

This is a short list of future projects. The museum will also be working toward full CMH Certification status. You are welcome to come visit your museum once it is re-established in Germany.

PERMANENT FILE COPIES OF THE THOROUGHBRED

Len Dyer, the Reed Museum Curator, has agreed to maintain a permanent collection of all previous copies of "The Thoroughbred". This collection will be available for research on the 2nd Cavalry Association's activities and other information contained therein. Recent copies published by the current editor will be available digitally, and prior copies may be digitized, depending upon the availability of volunteer assistance. A list of the Thoroughbred copies on hand is shown on the next page. If you have any copies of back issues not shown on that list, please send them to: Tom Stewart, 10708 149th St Ct E, Puyallup WA 98374. Thanks in advance for your support in this effort to obtain a complete reference set of Thoroughbreds.

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NEWS FROM THE HONORARY COLONEL

Beau Bergeron

Dragoons Await Historic Re-Flagging and Return To Germany

The current regiment presses on with a demanding training program which features a War Fighter Exercise and preparation for the support of Warrior Forge, the National ROTC Advanced Camp - while 1/25 SBCT deploys troopers to Vilseck, Germany in six increments with its new designation as the 2d. CR (SBCT).

An extensive re-flagging ceremony takes place on Watkins Parade Field on 1 June 2006 down to squadron and battalion level. COL Jon Lehr, the 73d Colonel of The Regiment presides as his command becomes 4/2 SBCT and COL John RisCassi takes command of the regiment as its 74th Colonel. The Regiment completes its deployment to Europe and COL RisCassi and 7th Army leadership hosts a "Welcome Home" Ceremony for the 2CR on 15 September 2006 in Vilseck.

COL Lehr noted that he had been very pleased about the supportive and proactive stance of the 2nd Cavalry Association and its focus on troopers and total commitment to the regiment. "My interaction with the Association has been very positive and their support and counsel have been consistent and impressive," COL Lehr noted. He said that the officers and troopers of the regiment were pleased to host a Regimental Ball on its birthday on 25 May 2006. The regiment has completely embraced the distinguished history, traditions, esprit and panache of the 2d Dragoons. Stetsons, spurs, the regimental song and a host of other cavalry-like activities makes them positive and conspicuous on post. There is an understandable reluctance to move away from the designation and the colors but 4/2 SBCT has a real time deployment to combat where it is scheduled to replace 3/2 SBCT which is replacing the 172d SBCT shortly.

Tom Stewart, representing the Association, and I visited with COL RisCassi in April. Tom provided an excellent overview of the Association, its mission and intent. Tom reaffirmed the Association's desire to support the troopers and the regiment's activities. The 74th Colonel to be noted that his unit eagerly anticipated the re-flagging and he had encouraged numerous initiatives to research the regimental history, unit designation and sensed a real excitement on the part of the about to be troopers of the regiment about the deployment to Europe and noted they would proudly wear the mantle and designation of the 2d. Dragoons. COL RisCassi stated the regiment's focus had been a comprehensive effort to get families prepared and deployed in good order. 1/25 has hosted impressive Lancer Rodeos where every possible aspect of the deployment and where assistance can be found are covered. The designated 74th. Colonel has taken a very visible lead role in this effort and the morale families and the efficiency of the process has been praised by First Corps leadership.

The newly designated regiment will deploy at platoon level proficiency and will rapidly move into a comprehensive training program at Grafenwoher and Vilseck, local Maneuver Rights Areas (MRA) and Hoenfels. The regiment will deploy a heavy squadron and regiment command and control node to one of several locations in Eastern Europe in the June, 2007 time frame and looks forward to the unique challenges associated with that mission. It is a part of the larger 7th Army strategy that places maneuver units and command and control components in Eastern Europe.

COL RisCassi noted that all command and support components in Europe had been "extremely helpful and supportive." That effort coupled with the work done by the regimental staff on numerous coordination visits will enable the regiment to structure for success in Europe.

Memorial to PFC Raymond Manz and T/5 Charles Sutton, Troop A, 42nd Reconnaissance Squadron, 2nd Cavalry Group (Mechanized), USA-ETO by David Gettman

It was arguably one of the darkest periods in recent world history. For the second time in barely as many decades, huge armies from around the world had amassed to rend and tear at each other to the point of brushing entire civilizations and cultures to the brink of destruction in the struggle. Europe had been laid to waste, and the life span of Hitler's thousand-year Reich had been reduced to a matter of days. Dulled to the sights, sounds and smells of death and devastation, battle weary troopers longed for home as they continued swapping their lives for plots of pounded earth.

With scarcely a week till the end of the fighting in this theater, two troopers of the Second Cavalry added their names to the growing list of tens of millions of lives lost during WW II. Countless are the stories of sacrifice, yet these troopers are set apart. Their mission so unique, years later Walt Disney would base a movie on it, however with the typical Hollywood disregard for accuracy and a need to omit the horrors of war, their part of the story went untold. Now, over sixty years since the selfless act that earned these two troopers a place in eternity, an unexpected someone wants to say thank you.

At the now wooded site of the former village of Rosendorf, Czechoslovakia, on the 28th of April, 2006, sixty-one years to the day since the mission started that cost these two young troopers their lives, the foot-stone for a monument will be laid by Mayor Picka of Bela Nad Radbuzou, Czech Republic, Gaylord Jerry Toole of the Pilsen Military Car Club and also representing the Society of the 5th Infantry Division, Patrick Biddy, a veteran of the 2nd Cavalry, and other visiting government officials, will each tap the foot-stone with a golden hammer. Flowers will be placed on the foot-stone, and on the path marked by children and people from the village of Bela Nad Radbuzou, where another foot-stone will also be placed this day.

On Sept. 15th, 2006, during the traditional local festival, monuments will be unveiled at these sites to honor the memory of troopers Pfc. Raymond E. Manz and T/5 Owen W. Sutton, both with Troop A, 42nd Reconnaissance Squadron, 2nd Cavalry Group (Mechanized).

As part of Task Force Stewart, a hastily assembled task force consisting of Troop A, 42nd Rcn Sqdn, elements of Troop C, and a platoon each of tanks from F Troop and assault guns from E Troop, all under the command of Maj. Robert P. Andrews and with Capt. Thomas M. Stewart as his assistant, on the 28th of April were given a top-secret mission to break through enemy lines held by German SS troops, fight their way into the restricted Russian zone, and capture and hold the horse breeding farms at Hostau, Czechoslovakia, where among the over 1200 horses gathered there by the German Army were 300 from the Piber breeding herd of Lipizzan's, the lifeblood of one of the purest breeds of horse in the world, and the foundation of the Spanish Riding School in Vienna, dating back hundreds of years. The horses were to be protected not only from the German SS troops, but also from the advancing Russian Army.

Among some of the other amazing acts that made this mission so unique is the fact that Capt. Lessing, the German staff veterinarian at the horse farm, had snuck through the lines with two of the white horses to convince the Americans to come rescue them, and he and Capt. Stewart, in a show of faith from the US troops, (continued next page)

rode the two white horses secretly back through the SS lines and arranged for the surrender of the town if Capt. Stewart could return with a task force, which he did. After the task force fought its way through the SS troops, it was welcomed by the German garrison at Hostau with music and salutes.

Also among the “captured” booty were several hundred Allied P.O.W.s from England, America, France and Poland. In return, a couple thousand Germans, Russians fighting for the Germans, and Czechs fighting for the Germans, were all taken prisoner. The released British and French troops were sent on their way back towards their armies, while the Poles had nowhere to go so remained with the task force guarding the area around the horse farm. The Germans, Russians, Czechs and Poles were later re-armed with captured weapons and helped the task force repel a counter-attack by the SS troops trying to recapture the area on the 30th of April. Pfc. Manz was later posthumously awarded the Distinguished Service Cross, the second highest award for valor presented by the United States, for his actions this day.

T/5 Owen W. Sutton, service number 346 647 02, was from Kinston, N.C. He was born December 8th, 1916, and was undoubtedly called “Pops” or “Old Man” or the like by his troop-mates during the fight across Europe, before he died in an Army field hospital in Nurnberg, Germany, on May 1st, 1945, at the ripe old age of 28, from wounds received the previous day in defense of the Hostau horse farms.

Pfc. Raymond E. Manz, service number 368 705 34, was born May 16, 1925, in Toledo, Ohio, and later moved with his family to Detroit, Michigan, where he attended Southeastern High School. After graduation, he entered the Army in July 1943, and a year later found himself landing on Utah Beach, Normandy, France. Having survived the hedgerows of Northern France, the sweep across France once the hedgerows had been broken through, racing to join the Battle of the Bulge in Belgium, and fighting across the width and much of the depth of Germany with Owen Sutton and his other troop-mates, Raymond lost his life in Czechoslovakia after already being wounded while destroying a Nazi SS roadblock, and while trying to reposition himself for a better field of fire to continue the fight. Ever a teenager, he was just sixteen days shy of his twentieth birthday and seven days short of the end of fighting in Europe. As with almost all soldiers who die in combat, they do so never knowing the reason or importance of their mission, only that it must be accomplished. Thanks to brave men like Pfc. Manz and T/5 Sutton, that mission was accomplished, and a very beautiful breed of horse was saved from sure destruction. Their reward was a temporary plot of ground in Nuremberg, Germany, then another one in St. Avold, France, and finally when their families could afford it and make arrangements, the troopers were laid to rest in their home towns, Owen Sutton by his wife Beulah at Westview Cemetery in Kinston, N.C., and on Jan. 9th, 1949, Raymond Manz was laid to rest at Woodlawn Cemetery in Toledo, Ohio, by his father.

Through the fund raising efforts of Mayor Picka and Mr. Toole, the sacrifices of these two 2nd Cavalry troopers have been brought to light, and steps are being taken that they will not be forgotten. In the 170 year history of the 2nd Cavalry, its longest mission by far has been to guard the Cold War border of West Germany from East Germany and Czechoslovakia, a mission that spanned five decades and helped to check the further spread of Communism in Europe. Now the iron curtain is gone and there is only one Germany. Czechoslovakia is now the Czech Republic and Slovakia. 2nd Cavalry troopers no longer guard against the threat of hordes of Russian tanks (continued next page)



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streaming through the Eisenstein Pass across the Czechoslovakian border. How ironic that one of the 2nd Cavalry's greatest threats from the past would wish to bestow such honors on two of its lost troopers all but forgotten by the rest of the world.

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2ND CAVALRY ASSOCIATION 2007 REUNION

Details are sketchy but here is what we know:

Probable Location:

The Sheraton
at
Tyson's Corner Virginia

Probable Dates:

October 2007

MANY ACTIVITIES, INCLUDING A TOUR OF THE WHITE HOUSE

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NEWS FROM ALL OVER

By Tom Stewart

The 2nd Cavalry Regiment will celebrate the Regiment's 170th birthday with a Regimental Ball. The Ball will be held at Hanger #5 at McChord Air Force Base (adjacent to Fort Lewis WA) on May 25, 2006. Any member who wishes to attend, please contact: MAJOR David Downing Jr, RS% 2nd Cavalry Regiment, Fort Lewis WA 98433, Phone (253) 967-7935 or email david.downing@us.army.mil.

On June 1, 2006, the current 2nd Cavalry Regiment, commanded by the 73rd Colonel of the Regiment COL Jon Lehr, will be re-designated 4th Brigade, 2nd Infantry Division. Simultaneously, the current 1st Brigade, 25th Infantry Division, will be re-designated the 2nd Cavalry Regiment, under the command of the 74th Colonel of the Regiment, COL John RisCassi. Immediately thereafter, the 2nd Cavalry Regiment will begin deploying from Fort Lewis WA to Vilseck Germany.

On September 15, 2006, a memorial service will be held in Bela Nad Radbuzou, Czech Republic, to honor fallen soldiers of the Regiment in WW II. (See article in this issue by David Gettman).

On or about September 15, 2006, a Welcome Home ceremony will be held, probably in Vilseck Germany. Although US Army Europe has or will issue invitations to specific members of the Association, I personally think that any member of the Association could attend the ceremony. There is no current point of contact yet, but if anyone wants to contact me in August (253 845-8009) I should have further information.

Willard E. Burdick

WILLARD E. "WILL" BURDICK, aged 82, of Jackson MI, left this world peacefully on Tuesday, February 14, 2006, surrounded by his loving family. He is survived by his wife of 60 years, Frances (Glinicki) Burdick; nine children, 10 grandsons; 13 granddaughters; many great-grandchildren, nephews, nieces, and cousins.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Elan and Shirley (Stewart) Burdick; brother, Robert Burdick; sister, Betty Hulburt; and cousin, Richard Burdick.

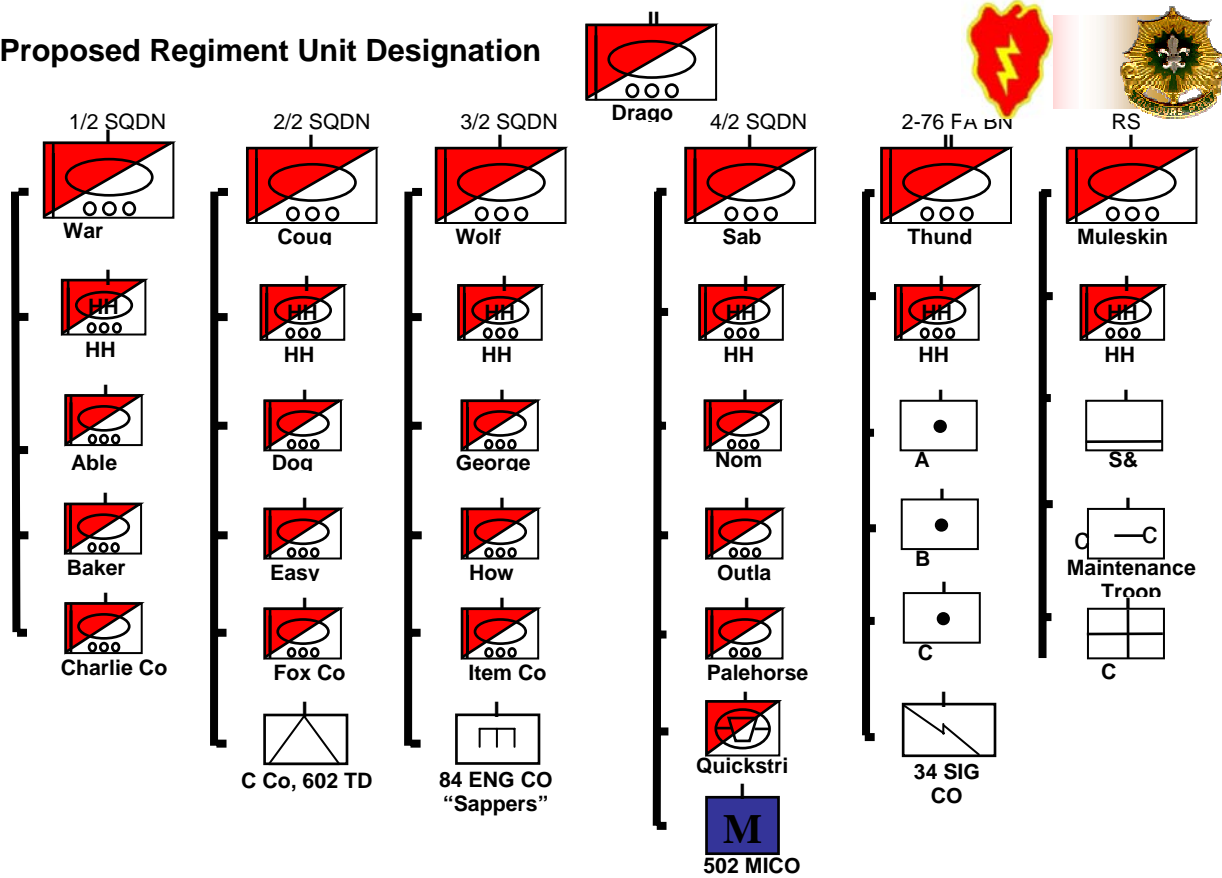
Will's numerous accomplishments include honorable service to his country, and was awarded the Silver Star for his participation in five World War II European battle campaigns; honorably discharged from the Army in 1945 with the rank of Sergeant. Employed by Michigan Bell Telephone Company, 1946 to 1982. Will was a proud and active labor advocate. He served with distinction in the Communication Workers of America, both locally and nationally. He served as Treasurer and a four term President of the Jackson area local AFLCIO. He continued to advise his fellow workers even in retirement. Will was an active life member of the National Second Cavalry Association and has been the President of the Michigan Chapter for many years. He was also a member of Post 29 of the American Legion, and Post 823 of the VFW; Will was a consummate genealogist and served as treasurer of the Jackson County Genealogical Society. He enjoyed success in tracing the Burdick family name back to 1651. He authored a compelling, heartfelt memoir to chronicle his military service and life experiences.

In Will's own words, he wanted it said that, "I am proud and pleased with all my accomplishments and my God given talents to fix and construct things, but I am most proud of our children. We are blessed with the best God could send us. For that and a beautiful, loving, and giving wife I am most grateful." An honorable man, a man of integrity, a gentle giant.

According to his wishes, cremation has taken place.

The 1st Brigade, 25th Infantry Division, soon to be the 2nd Cavalry Regiment, has devoted significant effort to develop unit designations that will enable current Leaders and Troopers to identify their particular unit with the historical lineage of the Regiment.

Proposed Regiment Unit Designation



RATIONALE

- **1/2, 2/2, 3/2- Maintain historical Squadron title with internal Infantry Companies naming convention that dates back to WWII.**
- **4/2- maintains traditional Cavalry letter designations and call signs**
- **RSS maintains traditional Regiment title, not a numbered Squadron**
- **D/52 to 602 Tank Destroyer- Maintains historical linkage with an anti-tank unit associated with the Regiment. The 602nd TD was constructed from separate infantry anti-tank companies within the 2nd ID, and equipped as an offensive anti-tank force. The 602nd TD was assigned to the regiment off and on during their service in WWII.**
- **76 FA BN- The 76th FA Battalion originated out of 18th Cavalry and supported the Regiment during WWI. The 76th participated in numerous campaigns and it had a remarkable 22 Distinguished Service Cross recipients. Currently 1-76 is on active duty; however standing up 2-76 has an even greater parallel as it will be within the 2nd Cavalry Regiment.**
- **73rd ENG CO to 84th ENG CO- A and B Co deployed in the vicinity of and tasked to support the Regiment for duration of Cold War.**
- **176 SIG CO to 34th SIG CO- Supported VII Corps, to which the Regiment was assigned, in Europe during the Cold War.**
- **184 MICO to 502 MICO- Supported VII Corps and the Regiment during the Cold War.**

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Col(R) Steve Robinette
2d Cav Scholarship Committee
3211 S. Valleyview
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[] Other periods served in the regiment: (Year/Month/Day) to (Year/Month/Day)

2d CAV Units served in:

B. TOTAL MILITARY SERVICE:

[] Past extended active duty in US Armed Forces: Service: From to Grade:
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[] Family life membership @ \$75; Check one: my late () father () husband was a Second Cavalryman:

(His Name) (His service number) (His Service Dates, if known)

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