

77th INFANTRY DIVISION Reserve Officers Association

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THE LAMPETTE

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2018 Issue

1. THE PRESIDENT'S CORNER:

Members and friends of the Association, welcome to this our second publication of *The Lampette* on an annual schedule. Formerly appearing twice a year, this newsletter has been published continuously since the 77th Infantry Division Reserve Officers Association was founded in 1958.

We are pleased to report that, once again, we were able to hold the four major recurring Association events during the year: the Spring Luncheon, the Commemoration Service in the 307th Infantry Regiment Memorial Grove located in Central Park, NYC, our Fall Luncheon and Annual Meeting, and the Annual Ecumenical Memorial Service at Fort Totten. All of the details regarding these events in 2018 are covered in the sections that follow, and pictorial coverage appears on our website at: http://www.77thinfdivroa.org/.

We also are pleased to report that our Association is in financially sound condition. Special thanks are due to our members for their voluntary contributions, and to those who generously participate in our raffles which take place during the two luncheons. The proceeds from the raffles and the contributions support our memorial services and moderate administrative expenses. (COL Ed Logan's detailed Treasurer's Report appears below in section 8.)

The 99th Readiness Division and the 77th Sustainment Brigade rendered outstanding support to our memorial services this past year. It would be virtually impossible for us to conduct these services and to honor our fallen comrades without the assistance from these Army Reserve units and their downward trace units. Command tenure is now a two-year assignment for Army Reserve commanders. Accordingly, on 2 June 2018, COL Pamela L. McGaha, Commander, 77th Sustainment Brigade, was succeeded by COL Jake S. Kwon during a Change of Command Ceremony at Fort Dix. On 15 December 2018, MG Troy D. Kok, Commander, 99th Readiness Division, was succeeded by MG Mark W. Palzner.

During her tenure, Colonel McGaha was an ardent supporter of the Association, joined as a member, arranged for the 77th Sustainment Brigade to kick-off the 100th Anniversary of the 77th Infantry Division, and participated in Association events. Colonel McGaha was recognized for her support during our Spring Luncheon.

General Kok was a speaker at the 2017 Memorial Service at Fort Totten and was a keynote speaker during the 307th Commemoration Service in Central Park this past June. It was during his tenure that we were able to complete the refurbishing project in Kaine Hall, Ernie Pyle USAR Center, Fort Totten.

The Association's Award for Excellence in National Security and Public Affairs was presented to Cadet Miranda L. Bass on 25 May, during the Graduating Awards Ceremony at West Point. This was the 48th consecutive year of the presentation of our award to a graduating cadet.

During this past year we learned of the passing of eleven retired members of the 77th family and one Soldier assigned to the 77th Sustainment Brigade. Among our Association members who passed were: COL Frank Padavan, a former Chief of Staff, 77th ARCOM, and N.Y. State Senator who assisted the Association in the renaming of the Clearview Expressway to the U.S. Army 77th Infantry Division Expressway; MG William F. Ward, Jr., former Commander, 77th ARCOM, and first Chief, Army Reserve; and COL John H. Weaver, Jr., a charter member and former President of the Association. All were honored during the Memorial Service at Fort Totten held on 3 November 2018.

On 8 August, General Ward's earlier funeral service at West Point included a funeral mass at Most Holy Trinity Chapel, interment at the West Point Cemetery, and a reception at the Thayer Hotel hosted by the Ward family. Many members of the Association were in attendance.

We hope that you will find the reports of the Association's 2018 activities interesting as we try to continue with the traditions of the Association which were initiated 60 years ago. Should you come across information or articles in the future pertaining to the 77th Division or the 77th Sustainment Brigade, please send them to us so that they may be shared with the membership. Also, please visit our website for the pictorial reporting of Association events and the latest information about future events. More importantly, if you reside in the Metropolitan Area or schedule a visit, please try to plan to attend a Luncheon or a Memorial Service.

I take this opportunity to thank those dedicated Directors who not only attend Board meetings but also serve as committee members to ensure that each one of our planned events is conducted in accordance with our long standing traditions.

Best wishes to all of our members and friends for a healthy and successful 2019.

2. 2018 SPRING LUNCHEON AT THE SWAN CLUB:

On 16 May 2018, our Association held its Spring Luncheon Meeting at The Swan Club in Roslyn, New York. The weather was partly sunny, and the event was enjoyed by 23 members and 17 spouses and guests. As usual, the schedule began with a cocktail reception with passed hors d'oeuvres, which was followed by a served luncheon.

During the luncheon, President Louis H. Sudholz, Jr. conducted a brief business meeting, and reported regarding recent Association activities and plans for the rest of the year.

On behalf of the Association, President Sudholz presented an etched crystal award to COL Pamela M. McGaha, USAR, the outgoing Commander, 77th Sustainment Brigade, in grateful recognition of her unstinting support of our ceremonies during her command tenure. COL McGaha is also a member of our Association.

COL McGaha then delivered brief remarks expressing her thanks for the award, and providing a description of the current operations of the 77th Sustainment Brigade.

COL Edwin G. Logan, Treasurer and Director, briefly reported regarding the upcoming Commemoration Ceremony in the 307th Infantry Regiment Memorial Grove in Central Park on 9 June.

The luncheon concluded with a popular raffle of four donated prizes conducted by CW4 Bernard M. Kaplan, Director, the proceeds of which will go toward funding our memorial services and other activities.

In attendance were: CW4 Edward F. Bauer; COL John M. Cashin; COL Lawrence E. Connors; COL Ivan Cornielle, Director; SGM Anthony A. Filosa, Director; SGM Leonard Finkelstein; COL Kevin F. Harrington; COL David E. B. Husing; CW5 William F. Iannone; CW4 Bernard M. Kaplan; COL Seymour Kaplan, Director; COL Edwin G. Logan with Mrs. Mary C. Logan; CSM Daniel J. Mari; Mr. John F. Maul; COL Gerard A. McEnerney; COL Pamela L. McGaha; COL Anthony P. Moncayo with 2LT James G.

Plackis; COL Vincent J. Montera; CW5 Robert Neglia; LTC John W. Peterkin with Mrs. Ann Peterkin, Ms. Wendy Dolberry Smith and Mr. David Smith; Mrs. Ivy A. Richardson with Mrs. Eileen McKenzie; Mr. Malcolm R. Schade, Secretary and Director, with Mrs. Cherie Schade; LTC Joseph Schroder with Mr. Jack Barry and SGT Edward G. Myles; CSM Julius C. Stein with Ms. Peck Stein; SGM Stephen Steinbaum; COL Louis H. Sudholz, Jr.; COL Thomas P. Sullivan, Director; COL Richard K. Treacy; LTC Victor E. Tuohy and LTC William Voelker.

Photos of this event can be viewed at: http://www.77thinfdivroa.org/news/Luncheon.html .

3. 2018 WEST POINT AWARD:

On 25 May 2018, COL Louis H. Sudholz, Jr. presented our Association's Award for Excellence in National Security and Public Affairs to graduating Cadet Miranda L. Bass. Cadet Bass double-majored in International Relations and Chinese language, and she wrote her senior thesis in the Department of Social Sciences on the Russian anti-Jewish pogroms. She also won a Fulbright Scholarship to pursue a master's degree in Israel at Tel Aviv University after graduation.

During her final year at West Point, she was the Cadet-in-Charge of the West Point Glee Club and Jewish Hillel. In her free time, Cadet Bass enjoys playing music with others, studying foreign languages, and reading. She planned to commission into the Army as a Military Intelligence officer in May 2018.

A photo of Cadet Bass can be viewed at:

http://www.77thinfdivroa.org/news/WestPointAward.html.

4. 77th SUSTAINMENT BRIGADE CHANGE OF COMMAND CEREMONY:

On 2 June 2018, COL Jake S. Kwon assumed command of the 77th Sustainment Brigade, 316th Sustainment Command (Expeditionary), in a Change of Command Ceremony beginning at 1000 hours in the Doughboy Gym (Building 5953), 5253 Newport Street, Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst, NJ.

The ceremony was held in front of an assembly in formation of some of the Soldiers of the 77th SUS BDE. It included the traditional transfer of the Brigade Colors from the Outgoing Commander, COL Pamela L. McGaha, to COL Kwon. The ceremony also featured remarks by BG Robert D. Harter, Commanding General, 316th ESC; COL McGaha; and COL Kwon.

Following the formal ceremony, a reception was held in a conference room and drill hall adjacent to the headquarters of the Brigade at 5231 S. Scott Plaza.

Attending these events on behalf of our Association as guests were the following Directors: MG William Terpeluk, Former Commanding General, 77th Regional Readiness Command; COL Louis H. Sudholz, Jr., President; and Mr. Malcolm R. Schade, Secretary. Also attending as guests were COL McGaha's parents, COL and Mrs. Doyle McGaha. Our Director, COL Thomas P. Sullivan, USAR also was in attendance.

5. 2018 CENTRAL PARK CEREMONY:

On 9 June 2018, the 77th Infantry Division Reserve Officers Association, in conjunction with the 307th Infantry Veterans Society, held their annual Commemoration Ceremony in the 307th Infantry Regiment Memorial Grove, in Central Park. The ceremony honored all service members who have lost their lives defending our country, with particular emphasis on Soldiers of the 307th Infantry Regiment, 77th Infantry Division, who died during World War I and World War II.

The names of the 307th Soldiers who made the supreme sacrifice during World War I are inscribed on bronze plaques on the boulder monument and individual company pedestals located in the Grove. All of these company plaques originally were next to memorial trees planted beginning in 1920, but most of those company trees have since perished, although others still grace the Grove. Three of the company plaques which had gone missing a number of years ago were replaced by the 307th IVS in 2012.

The Commemoration Ceremony on 9 June was introduced and led by COL Louis H. Sudholz, Jr., President of the 77th Infantry Division ROA.

The Invocation, Prayer and Benediction were offered by CH (1LT) Jeremy Pfeister, USAR, Chaplain, 462nd Transportation Battalion.

Mr. Phil Jabouin, Assistant Director of Community Relations, Central Park Conservancy, welcomed the participants and attendees to the park on behalf of the Conservancy.

Remarks about the history of the 307th Infantry Regiment in both World Wars and its role in the establishment and support of the Memorial Grove in Central Park beginning in 1920 to the present were delivered by COL Edwin G. Logan, who is President of the 307th IVS and a Director of the 77th IDROA.

The first guest speaker was LTC Jeffrey J. Lesperance, USA, Commander, 1st Battalion, 307th Regiment. His remarks focused on the importance of carrying on the lineage of the 307th.

The first of two keynote speakers was MG William Terpeluk (Ret), Former Commanding General, 77th Regional Readiness Command. His remarks recalled the history of the 77th Infantry Division, starting with its organization in New York in 1917 and subsequent heroism during WWI, including the story of the so-called "Lost Battalion" in the Argonne Forest of France. He also covered the Division's distinguished service in the Pacific Theater during WWII. MG Terpeluk is a Director of the 77th IDROA.

The second keynote speaker was MG Troy D. Kok, USAR, Commanding General, 99th Readiness Division. His remarks also focused on the role that the 77th played during both World Wars. He mentioned the Lost Battalion, the 100th anniversary last year of the 77th Infantry Division, and the important role that the Active and Reserve military are playing in defending our nation.

COL Logan then introduced the placing of the memorial wreath by CSM Carol A. Cox, USAR, 389th Combat Sustainment Support Battalion; and CSM Walter A. Embich, 1st Battalion, 307th Regiment.

Supporting the ceremony throughout were members of the 389th Combat Sustainment Support Battalion Color Guard, and the 319th U.S. Army Band, led by SSG Joseph M. Young, USAR. In addition, members of the 354th Transportation Battalion provided logistical support with chairs, a podium and a public address system. SGT Joseph P. Naples, USAR, played TAPS.

Also attending the ceremony were the following additional Directors of the 77th IDROA: COL Lawrence M. Bellman; COL Ivan Cornielle; CW4 Bernard M. Kaplan; COL Thomas P. Sullivan, USAR; and Mr. Malcolm R. Schade. Also attending was the following additional member of the 77th IDROA: CSM Vincent J. Mannion, USAR, 2-228th Theater Fixed Wing Battalion.

Also attending as guests were: LTC Kevin S. McGuire, USAR, Commander, 389th Combat Sustainment Support Battalion; CSM Brian R. Ladlee, USAR, 77th Sustainment Brigade; and CSM Andrew J. Lombardo, USAR, 99th Readiness Division.

A copy of the Program and photos of this event can be viewed on our web site at: http://www.77thinfdivroa.org/news/centralparkceremony.html . In addition, a history of the 307th Memorial Grove can be viewed at: http://77thinfdivroa.org/memorials/CentralParkMemorial2.html .

6. 2018 FALL LUNCHEON AND ANNUAL MEETING:

On 17 October 2018, our Association held its Fall Luncheon and Annual Meeting at The Swan Club in Roslyn, New York. Enjoying favorable weather, the event was attended by 23 members and nine spouses and guests. As usual, the schedule began with a cocktail reception with passed hors d'oeuvres, which were followed by a served luncheon.

During the luncheon, President Louis H. Sudholz, Jr. conducted a brief business meeting, and reported regarding recent Association activities, plans for the rest of the year, and events planned for 2019. As is customary, he began by recognizing the General Officer who was present: MG William Terpeluk, Director; and he also recognized the following former 77th Command Sergeant Major and Sergeants Major who were present: CSM Daniel J. Mari; SGM Anthony A. Filosa, Director; and SGM Leonard Finkelstein. He also noted the passing away of our Former President and Director Emeritus, LTC John H. Weaver, in

December 2017, and the passing of a long-time member of our Association, MG William F. Ward, Jr., in June 2018.

COL David E. B. Husing introduced our special guest, Congressman Thomas R. Suozzi (3rd District-N.Y.), who delivered brief remarks regarding the importance of supporting our military veterans, and the need in general for reduced partisan conflict in our government. Congressman Suozzi also presented to COL Sudholz and MG Terpeluk, on behalf of the Association, a framed Certificate of Special Congressional Recognition, thanking the Association and the 77th for their service to the nation.

COL Sudholz then recognized a recently joined member of our Association, CSM Vincent J. Mannion, and gave him his customary 77th lapel pin and etched whiskey glass. CSM Mannion is currently assigned to the 2-228th Theater Fixed Wing Battalion. He previously served in the 773rd Transportation Company (MTP), 77th Regional Support Command, and in units of the 77th ARCOM.

COL Edwin G. Logan, Treasurer, summarized the Financial Report for the Association's fiscal year ended 31 August 2018, and offered to provide a copy to any member who desired it.

Mr. Malcolm R. Schade, as Secretary, and SGM Anthony A. Filosa then conducted the election of directors. Based upon the presence in person of 23 voting (Regular or Honorary) members, augmented by numerous proxies given prior to the meeting, the meeting more than achieved the required quorum of at least 19 voting members (10% of the total number of members eligible to vote). All of the candidates proposed by the Nominating Committee were elected for the respective terms described in the proxies and ballots, and until their successors shall be duly elected and qualified.

The luncheon concluded with a popular raffle of seven donated prizes conducted by CW4 Bernard M. Kaplan, Director, the proceeds of which will go toward funding our memorial services and other activities.

In attendance were: COL Lawrence M. Bellman, Director, with Mrs. Eileen Bellman; COL Lawrence E. Connors; COL Ivan Cornielle, Director; SGM Anthony A. Filosa; SGM Leonard Finkelstein; Mr. Stanley Green; COL Kevin F. Harrington; COL David E. B. Husing; CW4 Bernard M. Kaplan; COL Seymour Kaplan, Director, with Mrs. Harriet L. Kaplan; COL Frank J. Koegl; COL Edwin G. Logan; CSM Vincent J. Mannion; CSM Daniel J. Mari; LTC Pamela M. Niosi; SFC Ronald I. Peters; Mrs. Ivy F. Richardson with Mrs. Eileen McKenzie; Mr. Malcolm R. Schade with Mrs. Cherie Schade; LTC Joseph Schroder; CW5 Paul M. Silverman; SGM Stephen Steinbaum; COL Louis H. Sudholz, Jr. with Mrs. Joan L. Sudholz; COL Thomas P. Sullivan; Hon. Thomas R. Suozzi; MG William Terpeluk and Guest; and CPT Douglas A. Wilke.

Photos of this event can be viewed on our web site at: http://www.77thinfdivroa.org/news/AnnualMeetingandFallLuncheon.html .

7. 2018 ANNUAL ECUMENICAL MEMORIAL SERVICE AT FT. TOTTEN:

On Sunday, 4 November 2018, the 77th Infantry Division Reserve Officers Association held its 42nd Annual Ecumenical Memorial Service in the MG John W. Kaine Memorial Hall, Ernie Pyle USAR Center, Fort Totten. The Memorial Service this year was held in Kaine Hall because the Post Chapel is undergoing extensive renovations.

This Memorial Service specifically remembers Soldiers of the 77th Infantry Division and its successor units, as well as other veterans who have been long-time friends of our Association, whose passing has come to the attention of the Association during the preceding year. Since 2005, these Soldiers have specifically included members of the 307th Infantry Veterans Society. In addition, the Memorial Service honors all other members of the 77th family who have served and currently are serving their country.

Immediately following the Memorial Service, our Association held its 16th Annual Wreath Laying Ceremony at the 77th Memorial Grove next to the USAR Center. This Grove, which contains several memorial trees, memorial benches, and numerous memorial bricks, was established by our Association in 2002 to honor all members of the 77th. In that year, we also dedicated a polished granite monument in the

Grove to six members of the 77th Regional Readiness Command who perished at the World Trade Center on 9-11-2001.

We were pleased that the Memorial Service was attended by numerous family members and friends, many of whom traveled considerable distances, of the Soldiers being remembered, as well as by many members and other guests of our Association.

The Service began with a welcome by our President and Director, COL Louis H. Sudholz, Jr., who later introduced the other participants and read the Last Roll Call. His introductory remarks were immediately followed by the posting of the colors by a Color Guard of the 389th Combat Sustainment Support Battalion, 77th Sustainment Brigade.

This was followed by the singing of the National Anthem by CH (1LT) Nafatara J. Sugrim, USAR, Chaplain, 389th Combat Sustainment Support Battalion. Chaplain Sugrim volunteered for this additional role when SSG Joseph M. Young, USAR, 78th Army Band, unexpectedly was unable to attend and participate in the Memorial Service.

The Invocation and Scripture Reading were offered by CH (LTC) Murray E. Stadtmauer, who is a long-time member and supporter of our Association. The Prayer and Benediction were offered by Chaplain Sugrim.

Remarks regarding the proud history of the 77th from the beginning in 1917 and its significant role in both World Wars and afterwards, and the important current role of the Army Reserves, were delivered by MG William Terpeluk, Former Commander, 77th Regional Readiness Command. MG Terpeluk is a long-time member and Director of our Association.

Additional Remarks regarding the importance of honoring the members of the 77th who have passed on, and the role of the present 77th Sustainment Brigade in carrying on the traditions of the Division, were delivered by LTC Gary C. Wong, Commander, 354th Transportation Battalion, 77th Sustainment Brigade. LTC Wong substituted for COL Jake S. Kwon, USAR, Commander, 77th Sustainment Brigade, after COL Kwon unexpectedly was unable to attend and participate in the Memorial Service.

Eulogies of the following departed members of the 77th family were delivered by COL Ivan Corneille, who is Vice President and a Director of our Association: CPT George R. Bergmann, COL Richard L. Boyle, COL Joseph Campano, COL Harold William Johnson, Jr.; COL Rupert George MacPherson, COL Frank Padavan, LT Bernard L. Rullman, Jr.; COL Joseph Stefan, COL Sante P. Venanzini, MG William F. Ward, Jr.; and LTC John Henry Weaver, Jr. Personal remarks by other participants, and by several family members and friends who were among the Congregation, supplemented eight of these eulogies.

One additional eulogy of a departed member of the 77th Sustainment Brigade, SPC Ruben A. Herrarte-Palacios, was delivered by CSM Carol A. Cox, 389th Combat Sustainment Support Battalion. Unfortunately, we learned about the passing of SPC Herrarte-Palacios after the formal Program for the Memorial Service had been printed.

A Trumpeter of the 78th Army Band, SSG Hall, USAR, then played The Lord's Prayer. He also played TAPS after the Last Roll Call.

Numerous members of the Congregation from the Memorial Service then joined the participants for the Wreath Laying Ceremony in the 77th Memorial Grove.

Another posting of the colors by the Color Guard was followed by brief Introductory Remarks by COL Sudholz.

Hon. John C. Liu, Former New York City Comptroller, then delivered brief Remarks about the importance of remembering the six Soldiers and others who were lost on 9-11-2001.

Assistant Chief Edward J. Baggott, Queens Borough Commander, New York City Fire Department, then read the names and delivered Remarks regarding the sacrifice of the six Soldiers who perished on 9-11-2001, five of whom were employed by the Fire Department at that time.

Chaplain Stadtmauer offered a Prayer for Soldiers and Chaplain Sugrim offered a Prayer of Remembrance.

COL Edwin G. Logan, Assistant Chief Baggott and Former Comptroller Liu presented the Memorial Wreath. COL Logan is Treasurer and a Director of our Association. SSG Hill played TAPS.

Immediately after the Wreath Laying Ceremony, all participants and attendees were invited back to Kaine Hall for an informal Reception, with refreshments. Brief additional Remarks were delivered by Mr. Amauri Espinal, Community Outreach Specialist, New York City Department of Veterans' Services, and Mr. Espinal read and presented to COL Sudholz a letter from Mayor Bill de Blasio to the Association expressing gratitude for the Memorial Service.

Copies of the Program and Mayor de Blasio's letter, and photos of this event, can be viewed on our web site at: http://www.77thinfdivroa.org/news/Ecumenical_Memorial.html .

8. TREASURER'S REPORT:

During fiscal 2018, total revenues exceeded total expenses by \$1,849.34, compared with an excess of total expenses over total revenues of \$2,530 during fiscal 2017. This positive operating result in fiscal 2018 was primarily due to: (1) the generosity of our members, whose donations increased dramatically in response to our appeal in November 2017 for contributions to defray the costs incurred for our observances last year of the 100th Anniversary of the 77th Infantry Division, and the completion of our long-desired permanent display in Kaine Memorial Hall, and (2) the non-recurring nature of those expenses last year. We also achieved some success in controlling our recurring expenses.

As you will note, however, we did experience an increase in our expenses for postage and printing. This was despite our continuing efforts to increase our use of email in order to reduce or at least restrain this category. Accordingly, we respectfully urge any members who have not yet provided or updated their email address to please do so, if at all possible.

Although we will manage expenses carefully, we continue to foresee the need to count upon the generosity of our loyal membership to maintain our financial stability. Since we do not assess annual dues, donations play a significant role in our ability to maintain our organization and we would greatly appreciate all financial assistance, regardless of the amount provided.

77th INFANTRY DIVISION ROA FINANCIAL STATEMENTS YEARS ENDED 8/31/2018 AND 8/31/2017

	Y/E 8/31/18		Y/E 8/31/17
ASSETS			
JP Morgan Chase Bank			
Checking	4,847.27		2,000.91
Savings	10,436.83	(1)	11,433.85
TOTALS	15,284.10		13,434.76
RECEIPTS			
Interest	2.98		3.41
Donations	3,185.00		500.00
Raffles	690.00		476.00
Socials – Excess Receipts Over Exp.	146.00		307.00
Initiation Fees from New Members	250.00		150.00
Memorabilia Sales – Net	311.08		680.76
TOTALS	4,585.06		2,117.17

134.00	134.00
467.28	257.87
350.00	580.10
1,536.52	1,312.77
98.00	2,328.28
149.92	34.53
2,735.72	4,647.55
1,849.34	-2,530.38
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Note (1): FY '18 balance reflects temporary transfer of \$1,000 from savings acct. to checking acct. in order to finance current operations prior to receipt of member donations. This was restored to savings after 8/31/18.

9. **FUND RAISING**:

The Association's 77th Infantry Division 100th anniversary commemorative/challenge coins are available for sale at \$10 per coin, plus \$3.00 for shipping and handling 1-3 coins. Please add \$1.33 for each additional coin in the same package.

We are also continuing to offer for sale 77th Infantry Division wine glasses and whiskey tumblers etched with the 77th "Liberty" patch. The glasses and tumblers are \$8 for one (plus \$4 for shipping and handling), \$15 for two (plus \$6 for shipping and handling), \$29 for four (plus \$8 for shipping and handling), and \$85 for a dozen (with shipping and handling included). Wine glasses and whiskey tumblers can be mixed in any of these orders.

77th Infantry Division golf shirts, T-shirts and baseball-type hats are also available in various colors. Prices are \$25 each for golf shirts, and \$15 each for T-shirts and hats (plus \$5 for shipping and handling). To order any of these items, please contact SGM Tony Filosa at 917-279-0744 or by email at: the77infasso@aol.com. (This is a special email address for merchandise orders only.)

Also available are Memorial Bricks, at \$125 each, installed in the 77th Memorial Grove at Fort Totten. Each brick can be inscribed with up to three lines, and each line can contain up to a total of 20 characters and spaces. Order forms are available at: http://www.77thinfdivroa.org/forsale/index.html.

10. <u>DATES TO REMEMBER</u>:

Spring Luncheon at the Swan Club

Ceremony in 307th Inf. Regt. Mem. Grove, Central Park
Fall Luncheon and Annual Meeting at the Swan Club

Annual Ecumenical Memorial Service at Fort Totten

15 May 2019
8 June 2019
16 October 2019
2 November 2019

11. <u>TELEPHONE CONTACT</u>:

Should you wish to contact us by telephone, you may call COL Richard Cochrane at 631-244-0160. He will pass along your message.

HAVE WONDERFUL AND SAFE WINTER!

COL LOUIS H. SUDHOLZ, JR. (RET), President