

NEWS LETTER 3rd Qtr. 2012
173rd Airborne Brigade Association
Chapter 18, The Larry Pierce Chapter

The Larry Pierce Chapter conducted our Bi-Monthly meeting in hot and sunny Oklahoma City, Oklahoma this Quarter.

The Chapter will determine the disposition of the Carl Baldwin Memorial Scholarship Fund. As to maintaining it as a separate fund, or combining it with Nationals fund for distribution, at our scheduled October 2012 meeting in Lawton.

It was brought to our attention, that there will be a 101st anniversary dedication and Parachute Jump. In recognition of the first parachute jump from a powered airplane. The first parachute drop was; March 1 1912 , by Captain Albert Berry, he jumped in a test over Jefferson Barracks Military Post, St. Louis, MO. This upcoming event is being planned by the WWII Airborne Demonstration Team Foundation, out of Fredrick, Oklahoma. They have a Jump School Packet on their website; wwiadt.org for those wishing to participate. More information on this event can be obtained by email at operations@wwiadt.org or by phone at (580) 335-3344

Means of notification of deceased members of the 173rd was clarified. Official notification through appropriate organizational channels must be received by chapter officers, before information can be disseminated through out the chapter. No matter what the source. This is to prevent unofficial and possibly incorrect information being disseminated prior to the Next Of Kin, being officially notified through the appropriate channels.

Collectors and persons interested in procuring Chapter 18 coins can contact the Chapter Quartermaster Bob Gardner at rlgaok@hotmail.com . The price is \$12.50 each, that includes the postage.

There is a question as to the boundaries of the Chapter Area, that needs to be clarified by the National Association Staff.

A discussion on the Chapter Home was brought up. It was decided that the VFW Post 9265 A J "Rock" Hudson Post 4605 S Pennsylvania Ave, Oklahoma City, OK 73119 would be appropriate. This will be bought up to the VFW Post Commander for action, by VP Ed Perkins.

The Chapter has held various activities at our meeting to raise funds for the chapter.

The Chapter will hold officer election for the current completed terms IAW with Chapter By Laws, {President and Treasure} at our Oct Meeting. Members at large wishing to participate and or cast their vote must attend the scheduled meeting, 13 Oct 2012, in Lawton, OK.

Gene Bland
Chapter Secretary

The next scheduled meetings are as noted below:

13 Oct 2012, 1300hrs at:

VFW Post 5263 General Lesley J. McNair Post103 NE 20th St, Lawton, OK
73507Phone: (580) 248-0713

8 Dec 2012, 1300 Hrs at:

VFW Post 1317 Melvon Carnes Memorial Post811 E Macarthur St, Shawnee, OK
74804Phone: (405) 273-7098 or 273-3600

9 Feb 2013, At 1300 hrs:

VFW Post 9265 A J "Rock" Hudson Post4605 S Pennsylvania Ave, Oklahoma City,
OK 73119Phone: (405) 604-0264