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Commanders Corner: Greetings to all my 2/1 infantry brothers families and friends and fellow brothers from our sister units. I hope this finds everyone healthy happy and a year wiser. 2020 was a challenging year for everyone and it looks like we will still face similar challenges in 2021 in addition to new ones but we are probably best equipped to face these challenges than many others. I hope that many of you have been able to obtain the COVID vaccine and if you have not I encourage you to reach out to you servicing VA facility or local government agencies to enquire about receiving it. I have contacted my VA facility and they are still awaiting the vaccine and the local government is still working on healthcare workers and next school teachers so it still unclear when a vaccine can be obtained. My home state of West Virginia is leading the country in getting people vaccinated and my brother who is blind in resides in A VA facility has received both his shots which I am very thankful for. As many of you have probably followed our nation's capital is being guarded by up to 25,000 National Guard and I understand that as many as 15,000 could be kept there until mid-march. I don't remember that being the case when the Viet Nam protest were going on but as usual these situations always become political which is unfortunate for our country. The latest flare up is that the guardsmen were sent to underground garages and were having to sleep the cold floors. As we all know comfort is not always a choice when serving on active duty. I am sure they will be able to withstand the hardships. My biggest complaint is that it does show a huge disrespect of our soldiers which brings back memories of the disrespect we received when asked to serve our country. I guess times have not changed that much when it comes to our military and politicians. I am still hoping that we will be able to assemble in Indianapolis this year although there seem to be many questions on how the future will play out. In the meantime don't hesitate to make your plans to participate. Chuck has added some additional information for you that will make reservations less complex. We have left his last page in from last month in the event you missed it. There is much to see and do in Indianapolis. Please make your reservations with the hotel as soon as you can to avoid the rush for rooms later on in the process.

Finally The VA has announced that any co-pays you might owe from 2020 and moving into 2021 will be on extended hold instead of being billed in January.

Again I hope everyone is being active and as much as possible being able to stay in touch with your families and friends. Isolation is not a good thing.

Keep safe and may the bond of battle never be broken!

Dwight Sybolt.

Commander



From H Duckworth O'Brien's "A Grunt's Life": Danger Close: When you can see the AK47 barrels sticking out of the bush in front of you, you know the Sierra has hit the fan. Charlie doesn't do this unless he figures he has you severely outnumbered. You're thinking of popping your claymores but you know they've probably been turned around towards you. Now, you hear the distinct rotors of the Cobra gunships. Their 20 MM Vulcan Mini-Guns are spitting lead all over the enemy. You're glad you have your steel pot on your head. The 20 MM casings are hot and can give you a very bad day if they fall on you.

A DVA 2021 ADVA Reunion Information Update. This year, our annual reunion will be about a week before the Annual Kokomo Vietnam Veterans Reunion which will be held September 16 – 18. Actually, a lot of folks start showing up on Monday. If you have never attended the Kokomo Reunion, it is a great time and my old VN buddies and I have been going for about 35 years. Throughout the event, about 30,000 people flow through the site. People come from all parts of the country and you may run into someone you served with or was in your unit. There are good bands every evening, various food and vendor booths and a large circus-sized vendor tent. Camping and RV spaces are available and there are plenty of hotels about 15 minutes away. In the past, shuttles to the reunion have been available from the hotels. Kokomo, Indiana is located about an hour north of Indianapolis and the location is easy to find. Information is available on their web site at <https://hcvvo.net/contact> or email vveterans@aol.com or indy2021reunion@gmail.com While you're in the area you might as well give it a try.. Also, I previously mentioned posting flyers at your local VFWs and American Legion Posts (or anywhere else you can think of). Printable posters are available on the 2/1 Chapter web site <http://www.2-1-196th.com>. Just click “here” on the main page in the 2021 Americal Reunion area. Already, quite a few people have signed up for the reunion; so you might want to do it early. As always, any questions may be directed to me via the indy2021reunion@gmail.com email above. All 2/1 Chapter members, this will be a great chance to meet your fellow chapter members and participate in our annual chapter meeting.

Chuck

P.S. 2021 REUNION HOTEL PHONE NUMBER CHANGE: The Wyndham Hotel direct number for reservations has been changed to 317-381-6168. Still use our code of **90621ADVA**. The easiest way to make a reservation is to use our special reservation link to the hotel. It is available on our web site <http://2-1-196th.com> near the bottom of the main page in the reunion information area. This information has been updated on the web sites. Sorry for any inconvenience this may have caused anyone. Questions may be directed to indy2021reunion@gmail.com.

National Defense Authorization Override: On December 23, the President vetoed the William M. Thornberry National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA) for Fiscal Year (FY) 2021. The House of Representatives and Senate overrode the veto prior to the end of the 116th Congress and thus, the legislation will become law. For years, veteran organizations have advocated for benefits and health care for veterans exposed to toxins and environmental hazards, as well as the inclusion of additional diseases related to Agent Orange exposure. The FY 2021 NDAA includes provisions to add three new diseases—bladder cancer, hypothyroidism and Parkinsonism to the Agent Orange presumptive disease list. We urge veterans to file a claim as soon as possible if they have one of the three newly added diseases. Veterans needing help can contact their local Veterans Service Office for assistance. Veterans should thank Congress for ensuring these important provisions were included in the enacted legislation.

Biden ends Trump ban on Transgender Service Members: Less than two years after then-President Donald Trump's ban on transgender service members went into effect, President Joe Biden has reversed it. An executive order signed Monday requires both the Pentagon and the Homeland Security Department, which oversees the Coast Guard, to remove gender identity as a bar to service. “The all-volunteer force thrives when it is composed of diverse Americans who can meet the rigorous standards for military service, and an inclusive military strengthens our national security,” according to a release from the White House. The move puts to bed a controversy that began in July 2017, when Trump tweeted that “after consultation with my generals and military experts” he would no longer allow transgender Americans to serve in the military. That announcement, which took nearly two years to put into policy, came just over a year after then-Defense Secretary Ash Carter officially lifted the Defense Department's long-standing ban on transgender service members, after which the services implemented policy that allowed currently serving troops to undergo transitions to their preferred gender and be recognized as such in DoD personnel systems. A transgender accessions policy had not yet been implemented, but experts at the time suggested requiring that an openly transgender recruit be several years post-transition in order to join up.

China, US step up military activities near Taiwan: China and the United States have stepped up military activities near Taiwan and the South China Sea, with both sides also trading diplomatic barbs as the incoming Biden administration signals it will continue to shore up support for the self-governing island, of which China claims as part of its territory. Taiwan's Ministry of National Defense, which publishes daily reports of Chinese air activities inside its air defense zone, reported tracking 13 and 15 military aircraft from China during a two day period recently. That was a noticeable uptick in the People's Liberation Army's typical air activity inside Taiwan's air defense identification zone, which usually amounts to a handful of aircraft daily. These tend to be anti-submarine or intelligence-gathering aircraft based on the Shaanxi Y-9 turboprop airlifter. However, the Chinese aircraft from the weekend were mostly combat variants in the form of Xi'an H-6K bombers as well as Chengdu J-10, Shenyang J-16 and Russian-built Sukhoi Su-30 fighter jets. It is unclear if the increased number of aircraft near Taiwan was part of a scheduled exercise or China sending a signal to Taiwan, which it sees as a breakaway province and has vowed to incorporate back into the mainland, by force is necessary. Taiwan's de facto ambassador to the U.S., Bi-khim Hsiao, was at the Biden inauguration.

Israelis Say They'll Attack Iran If US Eases Sanctions: Israel has said openly that it will attack Iran if the U.S. eases sanctions against the Shiite regime and agrees to go back to the nuclear agreement the Jewish state claims is “the biggest hoax in recent history.” “Israel needs to know — and fast — whether Washington plans to stop Iran's race to the bomb or take some action to do this,” a source told BD. Israeli intelligence is closely watching the Iranian nuclear facilities. “The people who need to know are updated by the hour” the source said. Israel allegedly attacked another Iranian target in Syria on Jan 21 and such attacks are likely to continue. “This pressure will continue and grow, as a preparation for a direct attack on targets in Iran,” the Israeli source here added. Ministers of the Likud Party said earlier this week that the new US administration must not “appease” Iran, and warned Tehran that the Jewish state will not tolerate its military presence in Syria or accept its plans to build a nuclear bomb. One of the more direct warnings came from Likud minister Tzachi Hanegbi, part of Bibi Netanyahu's inner circle. He said Israel could attack Iran's nuclear program if the United States rejoined the nuclear deal, as US President-elect Joe Biden has indicated he plans to do.

Biden Signs Executive Order Delaying VA Debt Collections: President Joe Biden announced Friday that he was asking the Department of Veterans Affairs once again to delay collecting debts from veterans. According to the White House, an economic relief executive order signed Friday “will help approximately 2 million veterans maintain their financial footing by asking the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs to consider pausing federal collections on overpayments and debts.” According to the announcement, the executive order will also: Ask states to expand and extend federal nutrition assistance programs (food stamps). Ask the Treasury Department to improve the delivery of relief payments. Prevent Americans from losing their unemployment benefits if they turn down a job that has unsafe working conditions that may expose them to COVID-19. “All executive departments and agencies (agencies) shall promptly identify actions they can take within existing authorities to address the current economic crisis resulting from the pandemic,” it read. “Agencies should specifically consider actions that facilitate better use of data and other means to improve access to, reduce unnecessary barriers to, and improve coordination among programs funded in whole or in part by the Federal Government.” “Far too often veterans face unexpected debt collection from the VA, some due to overpayments that were through no fault of their own,” said Rep. Chris Pappas, D-N.H.. “However, this Executive Order will provide the relief so many need and ensure that our veterans can focus on their physical and financial health during these trying times.”

Nearly 200 National Guardsmen have tested positive for COVID-19 since deploying to DC: In the nearly three weeks since more than 25,000 National Guard troops from around the country made their way to Washington to secure the Capitol ahead of President Joe Biden's inauguration, nearly 200 of them have contracted the novel corona virus, the head of the D.C. Guard told reporters on recently. Maj. Gen. William Walker could not say how many total are quarantined, but said that close contacts are tested after a soldier or airman comes up positive, with a 14-day isolation in Washington following diagnosis, “I'm deeply troubled by the number,” Walker said. Though mask-wearing is strictly enforced, troops are doing shifts as long as 12 hours standing side-by-side inside and outside on Capitol Hill, then taking indoor breaks, where photos have shown them lined up together taking naps or getting a meal throughout the corridors of the Hill.

Don't worry about getting older. You're still gonna do dumb stuff only slower.

Afghanistan Veteran Named as Pentagon's 'COVID-19 Coordinator': Afghanistan veteran and former Rep. Max Rose, D-N.Y. -- the Pentagon's new "COVID-19 coordinator" -- joined Defense Secretary Lloyd Austin last Friday for their first meeting with the service chiefs and combatant commanders on efforts to control the pandemic. Rose's appointment to the newly created post of "Special Assistant to the Secretary of Defense -- Senior Advisor, COVID" or "COVID-19 coordinator" surfaced in a long list of those named by the Biden administration to join Austin's team, first reported by Defense One. Austin met with his senior staff, Joint Chiefs Chairman Gen. Mark Milley, the acting service secretaries, the service chiefs and the combatant commanders, according to a Defense Department release. Rose was commissioned in the Army in 2010 and received a Purple Heart for injuries he suffered when an improvised explosive device hit the Stryker combat vehicle he was in while serving with the 1st Armored Division in Afghanistan's Kandahar province in 2013. He now serves as a captain in the Army National Guard. In March 2020, while serving in Congress, Rose was called up for Guard duty to aid New York City's response to the pandemic. He worked to convert a Staten Island psychiatric center into an emergency hospital for COVID-19 patients. Rose, representing a Staten Island district including a part of south Brooklyn, served one term in Congress before losing reelection in November. Before his surprise appointment to the Pentagon was announced, Rose was filing papers to run in the crowded Democratic primary field for the nomination to succeed New York City Mayor Bill de Blasio. There was no immediate guidance from the Defense Department on the role of the COVID-19 coordinator, but the 198-page "National Strategy for the COVID-19 Response and Pandemic Preparedness" issued by the Biden administration last week stresses coordination between the DoD and other agencies in setting up community vaccination centers in all 50 states. The strategy states that the DoD "will bring its logistical expertise and staff to bear, with the Federal Emergency Management [Agency] in managing setup and operations" of the community centers.

VA tops 200,000 Corona Virus cases, 8,500 Deaths Since the Start of the Pandemic: The Department of Veterans Affairs this weekend set a new record for corona virus deaths for the third consecutive month and surpassed 200,000 total cases among patients since the start of the pandemic. More than 8,500 VA patients have died from complications related to the virus in the last 11 months, according to data made public by the department. About 1,800 have come in January alone, representing 21 percent of all deaths from corona virus since the start of the pandemic. In December, that death total was about 1,700 individuals. In November, the total was more than 900, then a record high. Those three months alone represent more than half of the total deaths in the pandemic among VA patients.

US Plan to Withdraw Troops from Germany Up for Reconsideration, SecDef Says: Def. Sec. Lloyd Austin has voiced his commitment to shoring up close ties with NATO ally Germany that were strained under the Trump administration, and suggested that the plan to withdraw 12,000 U.S. troops from the country is open to discussion. In a phone call to his German counterpart, Defense Minister Annegret Kramp-Karrenbauer, Austin "expressed his gratitude to Germany for continuing to serve as a great host for U.S. forces, and expressed his desire for a continued dialogue on U.S. force posture in Germany," according to a Pentagon readout of the call released recently. He also sought "to reinforce the value the United States places on the bilateral defense relationship with one of our closest NATO Allies."

Infantry Squad Vehicle is a Cramped Ride, but US Army says it Meets Requirements: The U.S. Army's new Infantry Squad Vehicle is a cramped ride and offers limited protection from certain threats, according to a recent report from the Pentagon's chief weapons tester, but it still meets the service's requirements in tests and evaluations, the product lead told Defense News. The ISV "key requirements are being met and we are increasing soldier operational readiness by providing an operationally relevant vehicle that can transport small tactical units to a dismount point faster and in better physical and mental condition for the fight," said Steven Herrick, the Army's product lead for ground mobility vehicles within the Program Executive Office Combat Support and Combat Service Support. The vehicle was designed for easy transport to operational environments with the infantry's current rotary and fixed-wing transport platforms. The key performance parameters required that the vehicle's weight not exceed 5,000 pounds and that it fit inside a CH-47 Chinook cargo helicopter. Those requirements "force dimensional requirements only allowing the vehicle to be a certain height, width and length," he said. The requirements led to a vehicle that makes it hard for soldiers with all their gear needed for a 72-hour mission to comfortably fit inside and be able to access rucksacks on the move. The Army assessed three vendors in developmental testing from December 2019 through January 2020. The service chose General Motors Defense to supply the vehicle to the force, with the company beating out an Oshkosh Defense and Flyer Defense team as well as an SAIC and Polaris team. All offerings were capable of carrying a nine-soldier infantry squad with weapons and equipment during movement, the director of operational test and evaluation said in the report. But the Pentagon also noted the ISV "has not demonstrated the capability to carry the required mission equipment, supplies and water for a unit to sustain itself to cover a range of 300 miles within a 72-hour period."



Air Force Eyes Drones For Adversary And Light Attack Roles As It Mulls Buying New F-16s: The U.S. Air Force is in the midst of a major review of its tactical aircraft fleets. This includes investigating the possibility of using drones equipped with the artificial intelligence-driven systems being developed under the Skyborg program as red air adversaries during training, and potentially in the light attack role. The service is also exploring a potential purchase of new F-16 fighter jets, likely based on the Block 70/72 variant, two decades after the service ordered its last Vipers as it shifted focus to the F-35A Joint Strike Fighter. In an interview with Steve Trimble, *Aviation Week's* Defense Editor and good friend of *The War Zone*, earlier this month, which you can find here, now-former Assistant Secretary of the Air Force for Acquisition, Technology, and Logistics, Will Roper, provided insight into the ongoing tactical aircraft review, including particularly intriguing comments about forthcoming unmanned aircraft system programs and buying additional F-16s. These and other ideas are being scrutinized as the service looks toward its Fiscal Year 2023 budget request, which, barring any complications, would be unveiled in the spring of 2022.

What is the 50-gun (cannon) salute called and when is it used?

Salute to the Union; at 1200 hours on the 4th of July (Independence Day).

In one of first Actions, new Defense Secretary Orders Review of Sexual Misconduct Programs:

Newly sworn-in Defense Secretary Lloyd Austin, carrying through on a promise he made during his confirmation hearing, isn't wasting time tackling military sexual misconduct. Saying the military cannot accomplish its missions if "we also have to battle enemies within the ranks," Austin issued a memorandum Saturday night telling Pentagon senior leaders, combatant commanders, defense agency and DoD field activity directors to speed up efforts to get a handle on the situation. Though President Joe Biden ordered a 90-day commission to "pursue solutions to sexual assault in the military," Austin wrote that while the department "will aggressively support that effort...I do not want to wait 90 days to take action." Austin ordered senior leaders to report to him by Feb. 5 "a summary of the sexual assault harassment and accountability measures" taken the in past year "that show promise, as well as a frank, data-driven assessment of those which do not." A primary focus, Austin wrote, "should be on how you are conducting oversight to ensure programs and policies are being executed on the ground and with fidelity." The assessments, Austin wrote, should include "relevant data over the past decade, victim support efforts and advocacy."

The Border Emergency is Canceled, but Thousands of Troops there aren't Scheduled to go Home:

One of President Joe Biden's first actions came recently as he put an end to the state of emergency at the U.S.-Mexico border, a declaration by former President Donald Trump that funneled funding and troops to the country's southern border. Though no more funds will be allocated to cover border barriers and already awarded contracts will have to be diverted, a Defense Department spokesman told Military Times there are no current plans for redeployment of thousands of troops. Biden's executive order "has no direct effect on DoD support to the border mission," Army Lt. Col. Christian Mitchell said. "It will continue as normal." More than 3,000 troops, mostly National Guardsmen, are still rotating to the border to support Customs and Border Protection missions. At its peak, the Pentagon had authorized up to 5,500 troops on the border, which former Defense Secretary Mark Esper dropped down to 4,000. All told, DoD kicked in \$11 billion over 2019 and 2020, most of which had been allocated for military construction projects and acquisition of vehicles, aircraft and other equipment. The diverted military construction funds, totaling \$3.6 billion, meant delaying renovations or new facilities for over 100 projects, including on-base schools, weapons ranges, a hazardous waste treatment facility. That totaled 43 projects in 23 states, 21 in three U.S. territories and another 63 in 20 partner nations abroad.

Army Rolls Out Army Green Uniform Wear Guidelines, Renames Combat Patch:

The U.S. Army rolled out a long-awaited update to its uniform wear guidelines, including the Army Green Service Uniform and a new name for the combat patch. The revised AR 670-1, which was last updated in 2017, will not be made official for another 30 days to allow soldiers and leaders to become familiar with the policy. "It's been almost five years since we made an update, so it was definitely time. There [have] been a lot of changes; we have ... added new uniforms," Sgt. Maj. Brian Sanders, Army G-1, Uniform Policy Branch sergeant major, told reporters at a roundtable. "We also made a big change to what a lot of soldiers call the 'combat patch,'" Sanders said. The Shoulder Sleeve Insignia Former Wartime Service will now be called the Shoulder Sleeve Insignia Military Operations in Hostile Conditions. It is authorized for soldiers who served on combat deployments to Iraq and Afghanistan, but also those who served in certain countries considered hostile areas.

Post Agent Orange Exposure Doubles Risk of Developing Dementia, Study Finds:

A new study of more than 300,000 Vietnam-era U.S. veterans has found that those who were exposed to Agent Orange are nearly twice as likely to develop dementia as those who were not. The new published finding is among the most substantial to date linking cognitive decline with chemicals used for defoliation during the Vietnam War. For the study, researchers at the San Francisco Veterans Affairs Health Care System examined the medical records of thousands of veterans and found a two-fold risk of dementia for those whose medical records indicated evidence of exposure. The study authors found that, over the course of time, 5% of veterans with a documented exposure to Agent Orange were diagnosed with dementia compared with 2.5% of vets with no known exposure. "Even though the absolute rates ... are low, these veterans were still relatively young, so if the risk holds, we would expect that to increase as they age," Barnes said in an interview with JAMA Neurology. The research also discovered that the exposed vets were diagnosed an average of 15 months earlier than non-exposed veterans -- a finding that can have a huge impact on former personnel, their families and society as a whole, Barnes said. "Studies have found if we could delay the onset of dementia by a year or 15 months, it would have a huge impact on the population prevalence over time," she explained. For the study, the researchers reviewed the medical records of Vietnam veterans who received care through the Veterans Health Administration from Oct. 1, 2001, to Sept. 30, 2015. They excluded anyone already diagnosed with dementia and those whose Agent Orange exposure was unclear. They found that even after adjusting for other factors and conditions that can play a role in the development of dementia -- psychiatric conditions such as post-traumatic stress disorder, medical conditions like diabetes and Parkinson's, or demographic variables -- the two-fold risk remained. Throughout the Vietnam War, U.S. forces sprayed more than 19 million gallons of defoliant, including 11 million of Agent Orange, to clear the jungle and destroy crops. From 1962 to 1971, at least 2.6 million U.S. service members were stationed in Vietnam and other places where the herbicides were sprayed or stored. The research didn't explain why exposure may be linked with the development of dementia, but one of the main ingredients of the defoliants -- dioxin -- is known to be stored in fat tissue where it "sticks around for a long time," Barnes said. "It's possible that Agent Orange stayed in the fat tissue and is slowly being released and causing toxic effects on the brain. But we also know that Agent Orange increases the risk of other disorders that themselves are risk factors for dementia, so it's unclear if it's a direct effect of the dioxin, an indirect effect or possibly a combination," she added.

Climate Change is now a National Security Priority for the Pentagon:

The Pentagon will begin incorporating climate analysis into its war-gaming and analysis efforts as well as featuring the issue as part of its future National Defense Strategy. The announcement by Defense Secretary Lloyd Austin came shortly after President Joe Biden signed a series of executive orders targeting the climate crisis. The Defense Department "will immediately take appropriate policy actions to prioritize climate change considerations in our activities and risk assessments, to mitigate this driver of insecurity. As directed by the President, we will include the security implications of climate change in our risk analyses, strategy development, and planning guidance," Austin said in a statement. "As a leader in the interagency, the Department of Defense will also support incorporating climate risk analysis into modeling, simulation, wargaming, analysis, and the next National Defense Strategy. And by changing how we approach our own carbon footprint, the Department can also be a platform for positive change, spurring the development of climate-friendly technologies at scale."

2021 ADVA National Reunion

September 8-11, 2021 Indianapolis, Indiana

LOCATION: Wyndham Indianapolis West, 2544 Executive Drive, Indianapolis, IN 46241

HOTEL RESERVATION PROCEDURE: The reunion room rate is \$115, plus tax, per night, with free daily breakfast. The Group rate is offered 3 days before and 3 days after reunion dates, based on hotel's availability. Various reservation options are listed below. Rates cannot be adjusted at check-in or check-out for guests who fail to identify their affiliation with the **Americal Division Veterans Association** when making reservations.

Note: In accordance with proposed hotel reservation changes for 2021, all reservations will be charged a non-refundable deposit of one night's room rate and tax when the reservation is made.

Reservation Phone Numbers: When calling in room reservations, **ALWAYS** indicate you are with the **Americal Division Veterans Association** and use the code **90621ADVA** to avoid any possible complications. Wyndham West Direct: **(317) 381-1168** Email: adva2021@wyndhamindianapoliswest.com

Wyndham Reservation Web Site Link: A link has been set up by the Wyndham Hotels to allow online reservations to be made. This can be found on both the Americal and 2/1 chapter web sites.

<https://americal.org/cmsaml/index.php/reunions.html> and <http://www.2-1-196th.com/>

Event/Dinner Registration Forms will be available in publications of the "**Americal Journal**" and on the web sites.

Reunion Questions Contact: Reunion Chairman, **Chuck Holdaway**, at **1-317-847-2756** or email at indy2021reunion@gmail.com.

Tours and Amenities:

Indianapolis 500 Race Track and Museum Tour (Thursday morning Sept. 9th)

Indianapolis War Memorials and Museum Tour (Friday morning Sept. 10th)

(Indianapolis is second only to Washington, DC in the number of monuments and museums which are armed services related. Almost all are within walking distance of each other and near the National Headquarters of the American Legion.)

Dallara Indycar Factory and interactive facility (Saturday afternoon Sept. 11th)

RV parking with hook-ups will be available at American Legion Post 500.

RV parking without hook ups will be available at the Wyndham Hotel at reunion room rate.

Free airport shuttle to and from the Wyndham Indianapolis West Hotel

Free breakfast, Wi-Fi and parking are available at the Wyndham Indianapolis West Hotel

HOW YOU CAN HELP:

Individual ADVA chapters contact your membership and urge attendance.

Place a notice or poster at your local VFW, American Legion, etc.

Email your buddies to let them know.

Make your hotel reservations early; we expect a big turnout since 2021 was cancelled.

If you are planning on getting a space at the RV area, please send an email to the 2021

reunion email address above. It will help in our planning at the Legion Post as spaces may be limited.

RV reservation information will be posted on both the ADVA and 2/1 chapter web sites as soon as available.

HOTEL AND RV RESERVATIONS MAY BE MADE STARTING JANUARY 1, 2021