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- Metal archival bookshelves for storage of our various historic books, military manuals, and film products.
- 8 Large showcases (6’ or 8’) for Range House and 2 Flat showcases for books and patches. Along with several large map drawer cabinets for storage of guidons, regimental colors, and military maps.
- Various Pennsylvania DUIs (unit crests) and military patches of our different units. There is a great need to bring our military patch collection up to date especially in our aviation history. This includes our Army aviation and the many various Air Guard squadrons and detachments. We are looking for both current and past/obsolete items for our collection.
- HP Ink cartridges: #27 Black (C8728AN) and #28 Color (C8728AN).

HOURS

Hours are 10:00-4:30 (Monday & Friday).
To schedule an appointment to visit the museum at a time not listed, call our Command Historian Sgt Smith at 717-861-2464, the Museum Director Mr. Charlie Oellig at the museum Monday & Friday at 717-861-2402 or the Manager of Cultural Resources Ms. Rita Menses at 717-861-9415.

DIRECTIONS

From I-81, take exit 85B, Fort Indiantown Gap exit, and proceed north on Route 934. At the first red light on post, turn right onto Service Road. The museum is located at the corner of Service Road and Wiley Road, building number T-8-57. Look for the Civil War Cannon, Korean era tank and the museum signs on the right hand side.

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HISTORIAN RETURNS WITH TREASURE FROM AFGHANISTAN

Just as we don’t forget our service people when they are deployed, they don’t forget us either. The 3rd Battalion, 103rd Armor, recently returned from Afghanistan with artifacts for the Pennsylvania National Guard Military Museum (PNGMM) including weapons, literature, and clothing.

CULTURAL RESOURCES MANAGER GETS TOP NATIONAL AWARD

Rita Meneses, PAARNG/DMVA Cultural Resources Manager, was recognized for the 2008 NGB Security Award for Cultural Resources Manager, out of the 54 states and territories, at the NGB National Environmental Workshop in Costa Mesa, CA, in March 2009. Shown here are Eric Anderson, NGB Deputy Division Chief, Environmental Programs, Rita, and William H. Wade II, The Adjutant General, CA National Guard.

56th SBCT PRESENTS PRINT TO OUR MILITARY MUSEUM

On September 19, 2008, the 56th Stryker BCT (Independence Brigade) was mobilized for operations in Baghdad, Iraq. The 56th SCBT partnered with the Iraqi Security Forces to secure the local population and work with an Embedded Provincial Reconstruction Team and other civil agencies of the Government of Iraq to rebuild the infrastructure and provide for essential services. This was the first operational deployment as a Stryker Brigade.

The print was made by Army Veteran Marc Wolfe who has become widely recognized for his incredible artwork honoring the men and women of the military and law enforcement community.

The print was presented to the museum by Major Cory P. Angell, Public Affairs Officer, on behalf of the men and women of the 56th Stryker Brigade. The print hangs on the 2nd floor of the museum near the OIF and OEF displays.

THE SAD STORY OF JOHN NEWLIN RAKER

Born in Philadelphia in 1902, John Raker later moved with the family to Pottstown. At the age of 18, he enlisted in the army and was assigned to the 95th Division. In 1927, he entered the United States Military Academy at West Point, graduating in 1931 as a 2nd LT in the Field Artillery.

In 1933, John left the regular army and joined the 108th Field Artillery, 28th Division, Pennsylvania National Guard (PNG). He left the Guard in 1938 and returned to the Regular Army, where he was assigned to the 34th Pursuit Squadron, Army Air Corps, at Clark Field in the Philippine Islands.

Captured by the Japanese in 1942, he survived the infamous Bataan Death March only to be loaded on a Japanese prison ship that sailed from Manila on October 11, 1944. This ‘HELL’ ship was torpedoed and sunk by the USS Snook (SS-279) on October 24, 1944, with the loss of nearly 1800 lives including Captain Raker. He was advanced to the rank of Major and awarded the Purple Heart posthumously. His West Point Coat and two coats worn while a member of the 108th Field Artillery are shown in this exhibit.

CURATOR’S CORNER

This is the year of the NCO. To recognize these hard working soldiers, we present a historic photograph of nine non-commissioned officers of the 13th Regiment of Infantry, NGP circa 1901. This unit was organized in Scranton in 1877 as the Scranton City Guards. It was redesignated the 13th Infantry in 1878 and as the 109th Infantry in 1917.

Seated left to right are: Regimental Sergeant Major John M. Edwards, Hospital Steward Joseph F. Baummeister, Regimental Commissary Sergeant Harry Heermans, Regimental Quartermaster Sergeant W. S. Gould, Standing left to right: Color Sergeant Charles Sickler, Battalion Sergeant Majors, Richard J. Bourke, Edward Freas, Frank Wassman and Principal Musician Robert J. Bauer.

The soldiers are wearing the M-1895 cap, the M-1884 dark blue five-button sack coat, trousers of a lighter blue with white stripe. Most of the men are armed with the M-1840 non-commissioned officer’s sword.
BOY SCOUT'S EAGLE PROJECT

Mr. Ben Hoover, Eagle Scout Candidate from B.S.A Troop 27, sponsored by the Mount Calvary United Methodist Church, completed his Eagle Scout Project at the Pennsylvania National Guard Military Museum over the summertime.

The Eagle Scout award is the highest award a young man can achieve in the Boy Scout program. One of the requirements is to complete an Eagle Service Project to help any religious institution, school, or community group. Under Ben’s direction, the scouts completed the following: added lattice work along the side of the handicap access ramp, painted the ramp, porch, and steps, planted several new flower beds and removed the old ones, and added a new tree near the entrance of the handicap access ramp.

General Smoker’s Book Release

More than a million soldiers and airmen have been mobilized, trained, processed for overseas and/or discharged from Fort Indiantown Gap since 1940. Back at the Gap portrays a remarkable journey and is based upon General Smoker’s personal knowledge, research, and reference material accumulated over the years. He has also included many personal anecdotes and observations.

Indiantown Gap was named for the Indian towns that once occupied the land. The book’s opening chapters describe how the Lenni Lenape Indians lived in the area for 3,000 years, how the early German settlers migrated into the area of northern Lebanon County starting in the 1600s, and the effect of the French and Indian War on the local population.

In 1885, the first Pennsylvania military reservation was located at Mt. Gretna for training the early units of the Pennsylvania National Guard (PNG). Subsequently, the PNG outgrew the available space at Mt. Gretna. The State Military Reservation Commission was created in 1929 to locate a new training site, and the area at Indiantown Gap was selected.

Although training continued at Mt. Gretna through the 1930s, the Commonwealth began acquiring 19,000 acres of land from the local farmers in northern Lebanon and Dauphin Counties in 1931. Construction at Indiantown Gap began on a large scale in 1940 when the federal government leased the property, and Indiantown Gap Military Reservation became a huge military base almost overnight.

General Smoker has been a part of Fort Indiantown Gap’s history for nearly 70 years, having visited the first National Guard training site at Mt. Gretna as a young boy. Following combat service as a B-17 navigator in Europe during WWII, he joined the Pennsylvania Air National Guard. After completing Air Force pilot training, he was assigned to Fort Indiantown Gap and moved there with his family where they resided for the next 32 years. Since his military retirement 24 years ago, General Smoker has remained heavily involved in the PNG Military Museum. As an active member of the Military Affairs Committee of the Lebanon Valley Chamber of Commerce, he is considered a staunch advocate of the military and the economic impact of Fort Indiantown Gap.

It is hoped the reader will enjoy the history in Back at the Gap. Today, Fort Indiantown Gap is an outstanding National Guard training site, and we can be assured that the Gap is alive and well – training over 144,000 soldiers, airmen, marines, and civilians as well as employing nearly 2,000 full time federal, state, and contractor employees.

The book can be purchased at the museum for $25 or it maybe sent by mail for $30 including taxes.
PNGMM LAUNCHES NEW MUSEUM WEBSITE

This past spring, the Pennsylvania National Guard Military Museum Board voted to redesign the museum’s web site and move it from the state server to a commercial server. One of the many advantages to this format is a new and easier to remember domain name as well as more creative license with the design elements.

The new site allows visitors to view some of the newest displays, see upcoming museum events, and purchase items from the museum book store. Extensive photo galleries showcase restoration projects, static displays, and past museum events. One unique feature allows visitors to submit descriptions and images of Pennsylvania Veteran’s monuments for the museum archives. Another key feature of this website is for each military unit to submit their annual unit history report online.

Command Historian SGT Damian Smith set up the new site with research features that catalog many of the historical people, places, and items that are associated with the Pennsylvania National Guard and Fort Indiantown Gap. A future upgrade will be the ability to search the museum’s artifacts and archives online.

Other planned features will allow site visitors to sign up for a museum membership and make donations on line using a credit card. Having an online payment gateway creates additional opportunities for future events and fundraising efforts.

The new site was designed by Center State Communications located in Thompsontown, Pennsylvania and can be found at:

www.pngmilitarymuseum.org

VIETNAMESE STAY IS REVISITED

Colonel George Z. Padar from Bowie, MD recently gave a slide show presentation to the museum and cultural resource staff on the Vietnamese Refugees that came to the United States in 1975. The operation known as "TASK FORCE NEW ARRIVALS," dealt with the Southeast Asian refugees who came from either Cambodia or Vietnam. The camp here at Fort Indiantown Gap held around 10,500 in general population (mostly in area 3) and by the 19 August 1975, more than 19,455 came thru the reception area on post.

Pictured above from left to right are: Mr. Charles B. Oellig, Museum Director; MG Frank Smoker, Jr. (Ret.), Museum Board President; COL George Z. Padar (Ret.), Guest Speaker; LTC Jacqueline Siciliano; Ms Rita Meneses, Cultural Resource Manager; and Ingeborg Padar.

MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS

A Special Thanks…

The museum would like to give a special thanks to MSG Richard DiCarlo, part of our membership team, for his work on the fall membership drive. We would also like to thank everyone that has recently renew their membership. Although space constraints prevent us from listing everyone, we would like to recognize as many patrons as we can. Here is a partial list of Family and Regular memberships of those that renewed:

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William Bull (Regular)
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PNGMM RECEIVES THE JOSEPH R. STEENSON COLLECTION

The Steenson Collection from Grantville, PA, includes mostly World War I relics - actual items found on the battlefields of Mamets, Somme, and Verdun in France. The picture below shows several rifle relics, wire cutters, shell fragments, bayonets, barbed wire, and dog tags. Most of the items contain heavy pitting on the metal surface.

A UNIQUE POSTCARD

This coconut was sent home from the South Pacific by PFC A.E. Dobbs, Company B, 111th Infantry. The 111th was the regiment taken out of the 28th Division when the army reorganized from the “Square” to “Triangle” Divisions for World War II. It was donated by Bev Boyko, Virginia Army National Guard Collections Curator.

GERMAN HELMETS

Helmet 1 - An aid station inland from Normandy was set by the 112th Infantry of the 28th Infantry Division in August 1944. One day a German Sniper began firing at their tent. They located the sniper in a tree some distance away and shot him. He was tied in the tree, but his M35 Sniper Helmet (below) fell to the ground.

Helmet 2 - Patricia Ravegum donated a nice M35 German Helmet with 20 names of towns, villages, and areas of Italy that her father, T/S Elmer F. Waltermeyer, passed through as his unit of the 41st Division advanced through Italy in WWII.

193RD REGIONAL SUPPORT GROUP DONATED $1,000 CHECK

The museum would like to thank the 193rd Regional Support Group for their donation of $1,000 to the museum to help preserve our heritage. Their funding will go for preserving our Air National Guard exhibits and artifacts.

MUSEUM RECEIVES NEW TEMPORARY STORAGE BUILDING

The museum recently received a new storage building thanks to LTC David L. Edwards from the Real Property Planning Board and with the help of Colonel Grey Berrier, Garrison Commander.

The building which was used by the former 104th Infantry Detachment, will be torn down within the next couple of years as the military post moves forward with their Master Plan. However, in the meantime, the building itself will also be modified to accommodate several of our WWII and Korean era jeeps.

As a part of the Master Plan for Fort Indiantown Gap, the museum might also receive a chapel which is currently located behind the community club located on Clement Avenue. As of now, the chapel might be moved between the Range House and the museum as part of the historical district. The museum is expecting future details in the upcoming summer months.

MUSEUM RECEIVES REPAIRS

The museum would like to thank the Reservation Maintenance Office and personnel who helped with repairs on the two 1941 barracks. Both chimneys were recemented and bricks replaced during the summer. Roof repairs were made to the main building as well.

space allows the museum to collect and store material collected as units move out of several older armories and are consolidated into modern state of the art Readiness Centers. The build has already be cleaned and wall lockers arranged to start receiving items. The
COMMUNITY BIDS

FAREWELL TO WAYNESBURG ARMORY

On Tuesday, November 10, SGT Smith attended an open house for the Waynesburg Armory to give veteran Guardsman and community members a chance to reminisce and bid the 95-year-old building farewell. The Armory has outlived its military purpose, and the Army National Guard unit, Company B(-) of the 1st Battalion, 110th Infantry Regiment, will move to a new $9.4 million Readiness Center now under construction at Ever Greene Technology Park.

The Waynesburg Armory was rededicated August 8, 1999, in honor of Captain Robert C. Wiley '30. Wiley was killed in action by a sniper in early August 1944, leading his company into battle against the Germans near St. Lo, France for which he was honored with the Distinguished Service Cross, the nation’s second highest award for valor. On August 13, 1944, the official order said: “Wiley’s company became badly disorganized after several hours of fierce fighting. Wiley, at the risk of his own life, pulled his men together into a fighting unit. Although painfully wounded in the cheek by small arms fire, he refused to be evacuated and personally led his company into a strongly employed enemy position and succeeded in capturing the objective.” Later in the engagement in most of his officers were either killed or wounded. The official order noted that Captain Wiley, although severely wounded in the leg by machine gun fire, brilliantly directed the actions of his company and personally led it forward 800 yards under heavy mortar and automatic weapons fire until he was killed by sniper fire.

There are always wonderful artifacts in private collections and that was the case here on this day. Over the 95 years of the Armory, a lot of things had been collected by the local people and retired guardsmen. Many people brought their collections in to be viewed. It was a lot like Antique Road Show. SGT Smith copied never before seen original letters and photographs for the museum archives.

PA BEGINS TO COMMEMORATE THE CIVIL WAR

No corner of the state was untouched by the Civil War. As Pennsylvania prepares to commemorate the 150th anniversary of the Civil War (2011-2015), the Pennsylvania National Guard will be participating in the several events and possibly be the Lebanon County host site for the Pennsylvania Civil War Road Show.

The Pennsylvania Civil War Road Show is a traveling museum experience—based in a 53-foot tractor-trailer—for Pennsylvanians and visitors of all ages. From 2011 to 2015, it will travel throughout the state (making stops in all 67 counties), bringing interactive exhibits and activities in the expandable trailer and, at each host location, feature unique programs and performances under Civil War-era tents.

Through images, sound, letters, newspaper clippings, authentic artifacts and interactive multimedia, the Road Show will convey stories of the many different ways Pennsylvania’s men, women, children and communities experienced the Civil War, both on the battlefield and the home front.

One of the most exciting features is the “Share Your Story” booth. SGT Damian Smith, the Command Historian, states the many artifacts are found in private collections. This booth invites individuals to share their Civil War-era family photographs, artifacts, and other material and stories—digitally and/or orally, to be uploaded into a public, online repository that will grow as the Road Show travels.

PNGMM LINKS TO FACEBOOK

The museum is pleased to announce that it has become a part of the social networking site, Facebook. For many people new to Facebook, the site can seem frivolous, but as Facebook crossed the 100 million member mark last year, it became a great place for promoting businesses. Facebook is a great social networking website and is extremely popular and fun to use. As a Facebook member, it allows the museum to build relationships, raise visibility and target friends that are interested in what we do. Facebook was started by Harvard student Mark Zuckerberg in 2004. Initially Facebook was offered only to Harvard students; it is now available to anyone with an email address. Since its creation, Facebook has become the second most visited website in the world.

When the museum or any of its fans post to the museum page, whatever they say and do online is visible to all their contacts. What this means is that the museum can easily introduce new events, activities and other things without having to wait for more traditional methods. By consistently posting relevant information, the museum can increase visibility. Also, by creating a page for the museum, it optimizes search engine positioning. Facebook, the site can seem frivolous, but as Facebook crossed the 100 million member mark last year, it became a great place for promoting businesses. Facebook is a great social networking website and is extremely popular and fun to use. As a Facebook member, it allows the museum to build relationships, raise visibility and target friends that are interested in what we do. Facebook was started by Harvard student Mark Zuckerberg in 2004. Initially Facebook was offered only to Harvard students; it is now available to anyone with an email address. Since its creation, Facebook has become the second most visited website in the world.

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The 28th Infantry Division Association held its 26th Annual Reunion at Fort Indian-town Gap in September. Association President, Walter Chmiola, organized this year’s event. Festivities included a picnic, visits to post equipment ships, a reunion dinner, a tour of the Pennsylvania National Guard Military Museum, and a trip to the Gettysburg National Battlefield Park and Visitors Center. The Association is a generous sponsor of our museum.

At the annual meeting, SGT Damian-Jeffery M. Smith, was named Association president for the upcoming 2-year term. For more information about the 28th Infantry Division Association, visit their web site at:

www.28thinfantrydivisionassoc.org

Congratulations SGT Smith

The Association would also like to announce that they will be having their 27th Division Reunion at Fort Indiantown Gap from the 7-11 September 2010. Please review their website with the upcoming event schedule due out early next year.

PNG CHOSEN TO HOST NATIONAL GUARD TRAINING COURSE

The Command Historian is pleased to announce that Fort Indiantown Gap and the Army Heritage and Education Center in Carlisle have been chosen to by the National Guard Bureau to host the 2010 National Guard Military Historian’s Training Course. The conference will be in held the last week in April and will feature workshops, presentations and trips to local historical sites.

The National Guard Bureau chose us from possible locations across the country. The Pennsylvania appeals to participants for several reasons. We are rich in American history dating back to Colonial times, and that gives us a wealth of historical sites to showcase during the conference. Also, the Pennsylvania National Guard Military Museum and the Army Heritage and Education Center give the conference participants a diverse museum experience, demonstrating a quality small museum operating on donations with volunteers as well as large center with staff and a budget. This past year's historian's conference and training was held in Camp Dawson, West Virginia.

NEW RIFLE RANGE REDISCOVERED FROM THE LATE 1930s

The open house at the Waynesburg Armory led to an exciting discovery for the state Command Historian. During the course of the reminiscing, an old veteran told a story of how the armory had used his neighbor’s farm for target practice during WWII. The grandson of the original farm owner was present for the retelling of the story and offered to take SGT Smith to the location. According to the oral histories gathered that day, the soldiers would march the three miles from the armory in town to the farm for target practice. The abandoned rifle range is located on a private farm about three miles from town.

SGT Smith made a trip out to the farm with the son and neighbor of the original owners to investigate. Much to his delight, he discovered the trenches that were dug are still visible in the topography of the landscape. SGT Smith collected oral reports, photographs and the GPS coordinates for the forgotten range. On further investigation, it was substantiated that an old corn crib on the property still houses the actual WWII targets from the 1940s used by the soldiers for range practice. The targets were found to be intact and located in the rafters. There had been no official record of this site and most of the town’s people had long forgotten about it until they got together for the open house and started sharing their memories.
Although the weather was not the best, our First Annual Foxhole Invitation was an event to remember. The sun kept trying to break through but those clouds just wouldn’t budge. Luckily they waited until just about everyone was seated for dinner before they decided to really open up, but the sprinkles that periodically fell did not dampen the mood on the course. As I drove around the golf course all that really mattered was that everyone was enjoying themselves and having a great day of golf. It was a wonderful feeling knowing that we were able to bring together an amazing group of golfers to play the game they love in support of the PA National Guard Military Museum, an organization whose commitment is to preserve and honor the history of the PA National Guard.

We would like to thank all of the golfers who came out to play and were great sportsman to play through the rain. We had 22 foursomes for a total of 88 golfers. We had golfers from Pennsylvania, Maryland, New Jersey, Washington, Nebraska and Illinois.

First Place (sponsored by RAYDON CORPORATION) was awarded to Doug Fake of Lititz, Ryan Fake of Myerstown, John Fake of Myerstown and Mike Balsbaugh of Schaefferstown.

Second Place (sponsored by MOOSE’S LZ TAVERN) was awarded to Raymond Hawthorne of Annville, Bill Pence III of Palmyra, John Gordon of Palmyra and Steve Shaffer of Jonestown.

The winner of the Closest to the Pin contest was Doug Fake from Lititz. The winner of the Longest Drive was Dave Miller from Myerstown. The winner of the Putting Contest was Barry Reynolds from Harrisburg.

On Hole 12 we held a Beat the Pro contest and we would like to thank our pro Tom Kintzer of Fredericksburg for coming out and spending the day with us. He had a great time challenging everyone; and if memory serves...
CMH & NGB DONATES PICTURE OF MOH RECEPIENT

With the help of the National Guard Bureau (NGB), the Center of Military History (CMH) located a permanent home for a painting of Staff Sergeant John W. Minick from Wall, Pennsylvania. He entered the US Army in Carlisle, PA and served in Company I, 121st Infantry.

Mr. Joseph Seymour and LTC Robert Smith who made the trip to the Pennsylvania National Guard Military Museum, presented the painting to Museum Director Charles B. Oellig. The painting from time to time will be included in our Medal of Honor Display exhibit.

The official Medal of Honor Citation reads as follows:

He displayed conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity at the risk of his own life, above and beyond the call of duty, in action involving actual conflict with the enemy on 21 November 1944, near Hurtgen, Germany. S/Sgt Minick’s battalion was halted in its advance by extensive minefields, exposing troops to heavy concentrations of enemy artillery and mortar fire. Further delay in the advance would result in numerous casualties and a movement through the minefield was essential. Voluntarily, S/Sgt Minick led 4 men through the hazardous barbed wire and debris, finally making his way through the minefield for a distance of 300 yards. When an enemy machinegun opened fire, he signaled his men to take covered positions, edged his way alone toward the flank of the weapon and opened fire, killing 2 members of the guncrew and capturing 3 others. Moving forward again, he encountered and engaged single-handely an entire company killing 20 Germans and capturing 20, and enabling his platoon to capture the remainder of the hostile group. Again moving ahead and spearheading his battalion’s advance, he again encountered machinegun fire. Crawling forward toward the weapon, he reached a point from which he knocked the weapon out of action. Still another minefield had to be crossed. S/Sgt. Minick advance forward alone through constant enemy fire and while thus moving, detonate a mine and was instantly killed.

We would like to thank the following sponsors for making our First Annual Foxhole Invitational Golf Tournament an event to remember. The tournament was a great success, and we could not have done it without them and we look forward to their continued support in the years to come.

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We would also like to thank all of the volunteers who helped us make the Foxhole Invitational a success. The volunteers were Sharon Flaig, Rita Meneses, Shannan Zerance, Damian Smith, Carolyn Malfara, Dave Smoker, Frank Smoker, Kristy Sanders, Amanda Fortna, Ron Edwards, Jamie Kersey, Michelle Zubris, and Denise and Amber Kintzer. We look forward to everyone returning for the 2nd Foxhole Invitational Golf Tournament in September 2010. As soon as we have an exact date we will be sure to let everyone know.