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Hill 4-11 News



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Pittsburgh Reunion

Mark your calendar and make your reservations! Our reunion will be July 16-19 at the Doubletree Hotel Pittsburgh-Green Tree, approximately 3 miles from downtown. The hotel features 2 restaurants, a fitness room, indoor/outdoor pool and high speed internet. There is ample free parking. If you are traveling by RV you may park it in the designated portion of the parking lot; however, you may not stay in the RV.

The special reunion room rate is \$109.00/night, which is also valid for 3 days before and 3 days after the reunion. To make reservations, call 1-800-222-8733. Be sure to say that you are with the Hill 4-11 Association (convention code HLL) so that you receive this discounted rate. Also, since there are several Doubletree Hotels in the Pittsburgh area, be sure to specify "Green Tree". Reservations must be made no later than June 15th in order to receive the discounted reunion rate.

If you are driving, the street address of the hotel is 500 Mansfield Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA. If you are flying, after you arrive at the Pittsburgh International Airport and retrieve your luggage, call the front desk at 1-800-922-8400 for the complimentary airport shuttle. After you check into the hotel, you should make arrangements for your return to the airport.



Hill 4-11

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Registration Fees

Our hosts, Bill and Kathleen Conklin, have worked very hard to provide us with an enjoyable and meaningful reunion, while trying to make it as affordable as possible.

The cost for Friday and Saturday's activities is \$83 for each adult and \$44 for children under 12 who select the children's menu for our Saturday evening buffet. If you are unable to attend both days' events, contact Dick Hill for separate costs.

In order to give Bill and Kathleen time to complete necessary arrangements for transportation and for meals, please return the Registration Form to Dick Hill by June 15th.

Reunion Schedule

Thursday, July 16

There are no scheduled activities on Thursday. The Hospitality Room will be open about noon. Be sure to come by to pick up your name tags and reunion packet. There will be snacks, cold drinks and coffee available for you to have while you visit with old friends and meet new ones. Please bring your photos and other memorabilia to share.

Friday, July 17

We will board the motor coaches for our trip to the Flight 93 Memorial in Shanksville, PA, where we will hold our memorial service. Departure is scheduled for 8:30



A.M. Following the service, there will be time to visit this moving memorial to the victims of 9/11. We will stop at the Oakhurst Tea Room for a buffet lunch during our return trip. We should arrive back at the hotel about 5:00 P.M.

Saturday, July 18

The morning and afternoon are free for you to explore all that Pittsburgh has to offer. Information on some of the attractions and restaurants will be in your packets; additional information will be available from the hotel. Among the destinations are the Rivers Casino; the Carnegie Science Center, which includes a large model-train display and a submarine (non-nuclear) that is open for you to tour; Station Square, a restored train station with shopping and dining, and home of the "Just Ducky Tours", featuring World War II-era Army DUKW amphibious vehicles.

The Association business meeting will be held at 5:00 P.M. A social hour will begin immediately after the conclusion of the meeting, with the buffet dinner opening at 6:30. There will be music from a local DJ for your dining and dancing pleasure until 11:00.

The dinner menu includes Green Garden Salad Bar, Roast Beef w/ bordelaise sauce, Baked Herb Chicken, Baked Fish, Roasted Red Skin Potatoes, Broccoli-Carrot-Cauliflower Medley, Rolls & Butter, Chocolate Cake, Apple Pie, Berry Pie, Coffee and Iced Tea.

The children's menu (available for children under age 12) includes Chicken Fingers, French Fries and Apple sauce.

Sunday, July 19

Stop by the Hospitality Room to say farewell until Cody in 2017 and to pick up your photos.

Life Members

The following Hill 4-11 Association veterans became Life Members during 2014:

Doug Babcock	Ken Bouldin
Michael Dang	Jerry Dover
Mark Fouquet	Tom Lewkowicz
Roland Mantovani	David Oswald
Dwight Rollinson	John Speechley
Ronald Tears	Tommy Thompson
Clayton Vaughn	

New Hats

Thanks to the hard work and perseverance of Nolan Cross, we once again have Hill 4-11 Association hats. They are beige in color, made in the USA and are one-size-fits-all. The 11th Brigade patch appears in the center with "Hill 4-11" above. "3/1" is on one side of the patch and the wearer's Company on the other. Most hats will have a CIB under the patch; however, medics may request "Combat Medic" be written in its place. Members of Delta Battery will have "6/11" on one side and "D" on the other. "Field Artillery" will be under the patch.

The hats will be available for \$15 at the reunion; however, if you do not wish to wait, you can send \$20, which covers the packaging and postage, to Nolan Cross at 337 Clinton St., Ravenna, OH 44266-2349 and he will mail one to you. Be sure to indicate your Company, if you were a combat medic or if you served with Delta Battery.



50/50 Raffle Tickets



Included in this mailing are ten 50/50 raffle tickets. Half of the raffle proceeds will go to the winner; half will be used to pay for the beverages and snacks in the hospitality room, equipment rental, gratuities for bus drivers and others and for other incidental reunion expenses. The tickets are \$1 each. The winning ticket will be drawn at the Saturday evening banquet (you need not be present to win). The tickets have been donated by the Kent Fire Fighters Association (Dick Hill's former co-workers). Please support your Association by sending the tickets stubs and money to Treasurer Dick Hill. If you would like more tickets, just let Dick know and he will send them to you.

Leslie J. Stottle Memorial Scholarships

Each year the Hill 4-11 Association awards scholarships to the children/grandchildren of Association members for their continuing education. The amounts vary based on the number of qualified applicants and the funds available, but are usually between \$750 and \$1,000.

High school seniors and college students who would like to apply for the 2015-2016 academic year may request a scholarship form from Committee Chairman Ed Grabowski at 95 Meadow Street, Rutland, VT 05701-4321. Applications may also be accessed on our website at hill4-11.org. Applications will be considered for all types of accredited post-secondary education, including trade school, college and graduate school. The deadline for this year is May 31, 2015.

During 2014, a total of \$808 was contributed to the Fund by Candelario Amaya, James Beasley, Nolan Cross, Michael Daly, Michael Dang, Jerry Dinkel, Huey Fautheree, Robert Frank, Ed Grabowski, Angel Gutierrez, Dick Hill, John Hillier, Kenyon Kugler, Roland Mantovani, Dale McKinney, Michael McQueen, Tom Petty (in memory of Gary Goad), Greg Smith, John Speechley, Ronald Tears, Tommy Thompson, Clayton Vaughn, Victor Wakeling, William Walsh and Willie Williams.

John Walker Memorial Fund

The Fund will pay the reunion registration fee (\$83) for up to two family members of a deceased 3rd/1st or Delta Battery, 6th/11th veteran. Those eligible are wives, children/grandchildren, siblings and nieces/nephews. Family members who have attended previous reunions are also eligible for this one-time benefit.

Please join us and visit with some of your loved one's brothers during this special weekend. Just indicate your status on the Registration Form when you mail it in.

During 2014, a total of \$650 was contributed to the Fund by Candelario Amaya, Harworth Askew, James Beasley, Nolan Cross, Michael Daly, Michael Dang, Huey Fautheree, Robert Frank, Ed Grabowski, Angel Gutierrez, Roland Mantovani, Michael McQueen, Tom Petty, John Speechley, Ronald Tears, Clayton Vaughn, Victor Wakeling, William Walsh, Willie Williams and John Zimmer.

Taps

We are saddened to report the passing of Linda Coleman-Smith, wife of Association member and Delta Company veteran Craig Smith, on January 11th, after a courageous, determined battle with cancer. She was 63. Linda was a regular at our reunions, accompanied in recent years by daughter Charity Glanz and two grandchildren.

A natural athlete, Linda competed in 36 national bowling tournaments and was inducted into the Wyoming Softball Players' Association Hall of Fame in 1999. She was very active in her community and in her church, including volunteering with Meals on Wheels. In addition to Craig, she is survived by 5 daughters, 9 grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

We extend our deepest condolences to Craig and to their family and friends. She will be greatly missed by her 4-11 family as well.



Reunion Registration Form—Pittsburgh

Name _____

Guest _____

Guest _____

Guest _____

Guest _____

Write "child" after names of children under 12 who want the children's menu.

Write "family" after names of family members eligible for free registration (limit 2).

Adults X \$83 = \$ _____

Children X \$44 = \$ _____

Family Total (name of veteran _____) _____

Partial Registration (indicate which day) _____ X \$____ = \$ _____

TOTAL REGISTRATION \$ _____

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Name _____ Vietnam Unit _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone (optional) _____ E-mail (optional) _____

Hill 4-11 Association Annual Dues \$ 25.00

Hill 4-11 Life Membership \$ 150.00

Leslie J. Stottle Memorial Scholarship Fund Contribution \$ _____

John Walker Memorial Fund Contribution \$ _____

_____ 50/50 Raffle Tickets @ \$1.00 each \$ _____

_____ Copies of History of FSB 4-11 @ \$17.50 each \$ _____

TOTAL OTHER \$ _____

TOTAL PAYMENT (REGISTRATION + OTHER) \$ _____

Mail completed form along with your payment (payable to Hill 4-11 Association) to Dick Hill,
630 Woodside Drive, Kent OH 44240-2664.

REGISTRATION DUE BY JUNE 15th. SEE YOU IN PITTSBURGH!

This form can be filled out on-line at <http://www.hill4-11.org/reunions/reunion2015/Reunion-Registration-Form.pdf>

From:

Hill 4-11 Association
630 Woodside Drive
Kent, OH 44240-2664

WE'RE ON THE WEB!

HILL4-11.ORG



To:

Hill 4-11 Association — Dues Payment Form

Name:

Address:

City:

State:

Zip Code:

Email:

Vietnam Unit:

Dates of Vietnam Service:

Annual Hill 4-11 Dues \$25.00 or Lifetime Membership \$150.00

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Leslie J. Stottle Memorial Scholarship Contribution

John Walker Memorial Fund Contribution

____ Copies of Hill 4-11 History @ \$17.50 Each

Total \$

Make checks payable to Hill 4-11 Association and mail to:

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