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General



By Gene Walker

Twenty Million! Now that is a lot of anything. Twenty million bucks – that’s a lot. Twenty million miles – that’s a lot. Twenty million unregistered citizens – that’s a lot too.

An estimated seven to twenty million illegal aliens reside in the U. S. at any given time. Understand, that number can be more than twenty million; there is no way to truly know. I think the number is probably more like twenty million and most likely more than that. I will use twenty.

In any case these aliens are melding into our society as “citizens”, with all the benefits and services being offered our natural and legal citizens. Assimilating twenty million new lower class “citizens” into our ranks is having an enormous effect. Understand I am speaking of the twenty million already here. They are coming across the border at the rate of 850,000 per year. Again this number may be much higher, but no one knows for sure. By virtue of the increased population, we are adding to the roles of the homeless, the hungry, the unemployed, and the diseased. Also we are experiencing a substantial increase in the mentally ill, the criminal, and the drug dealer/user.

We cannot depend on Mexico to control the situation. Our own border patrol cannot prevent these criminals and riffraff from crossing our borders. Many of them commit their crime then head right back across the border, where we have no jurisdiction. I think we may want to look at ways to solve the problem.

Suppose we bring Mexico into our family. I did not say Mexicans, I Said Mexico. Let’s offer Mexico statehood, making it the 51 state, subject to our laws. I think this could be a Win-Win approach. Think about it - how could the U.S. of A benefit from that? Consider this:

- Added Tax Revenue
- No need to continue protecting the Mexican border – Mexico is already protecting the borders south of it. The only change would be that the border patrol of the state of

Mexico would be much better equipped, and manpower certainly would not be a problem.

- An increase in our military ranks. The voluntary military would be bulging over.
- Huge area to build more prisons. The vastness of the undeveloped real estate in the state of Mexico would provide us with miles and miles of land to harbor our criminals.
- Booming growth in tourism.
- A new market opens up for real-estate developers, for tourism, automotive Industry, airports, etc.
- Virtually every business in the U.S. would profit.
- Under the U. S. economic umbrella most Mexicans would probably prefer to stay in or move back to their state, the state of Mexico.
- Due to the new growth taking place, many more jobs should be available for all U.S. citizens.

I am sure this list could go on and on.

I have not yet considered the drawbacks for the United States and I would think there should be no drawbacks for Mexico. I'll ponder those questions later.

For now, adios - hasta luego - hermanos

Editor's note: I pondered over this article as it sounds a bit political, but then again we can't bury our heads in the sand, either. I know Gene and I know how he feels about our country and Givement, so here goes. If you have a rebuttal, send it to me and I'll post it on the website.



Bulletin Board by Barney Fisher

Well it's that time of year. Yep, I'm standing on the corner with my tin cup. Even with all the cuts I've made to the newsletter and the website to save money, the well has finally run dry. There is a separate sheet with this issue explaining the cost involved. Please take the time to read it over. Thanks.

You can use the local library or ask a friend/relative to bring up the website at www.af-acw.com and see all the latest happenings and to get the most current Master Roster. The site is now updated daily and I update the Master Roster 2 times a month at the same time I post the RAO Bulletin. It's worth your time just to browse the RAO Bulletin and see what the latest legislation is that affects veterans. Remember if you have access to a computer you can print out the Newsletter, Master Roster and RAO Bulletin for future reference.

NOTE: when you bring up those pages on the computer, if the print appears too small, go to the top of the page and around the center of the page will be a % block, select the % that fit's your eyes.

Get Together: Over the holidays it was our (Ohio) pleasure to get to see Gene and Joan Walker (Alabama) on Christmas Eve, now that's what I call a Christmas present. A few days later we also got to meet up with Jim and Colleen Nardone (Minnesota). The Walkers were in town to visit with their daughter and the Nardones were on their way to Florida for a vacation. Being as they were in Florida, they met up with Pete and Pat Sessions for dinner and Pete even played a round of golf with them a few days later. If you're in the area or just passing through, give us a call and, we'll make every effort to meet you someplace for a bite to eat or a drink.



Day Room — by Barney Fisher

Ferd's Words of Wisdom:

Be careful of what you wish for: as noted in the following;

A 60 year old couple were celebrating their joint birthdays.

A Genie appeared to them and said; "You each have one birthday wish."

The woman shyed a little and said;" I've always wanted to sail around the world" The Genie zapped her purse with his wand. She opened her purse and there was an envelope, and in it two tickets to sail around the world.

The man stuttered a little and said; "I've always wanted to spend a night with a woman 30 years younger than myself. The Genie say's; "No problem, Zap, your ninety."



Inform and be Informed by Barney Fisher

Changes to the Master Roster: There have been so many changes to the Master Roster I could never begin to post them all. I urge all of you to find someone with a computer that can print the roster out for you. There just isn't enough funding to allow copies to be mailed out, maybe later this year.

Sick Call: Please remember the following members that have been having medical problems over the past months: Bill Allison – Ralph Briggs – Barney Fisher – Mike McKeever – Stanley Sakai – Ronald Sam – Ray Sanders – Ron Schumacher – Ken Shoup – Jerome Silver – Gene Walker – Don VonBank We have quite a few members that have family going through medical problems also, so please add them to your list.

I'm sorry if I missed anyone. Please, if you have any input on our members, let me know.



From Headquarters

by Barney Fisher

Last report I had some of the folks aren't doing too well and Mike needed another by-pass. All are holding their own so No News Is Good News. They are still having the monthly dinners and there is an open invitation to anyone that would like to join them.

Plans for the 2008 Reunion are under way and taking shape. Mark your calendar for June 18 – 22 (the same dates as 2003) at the Sawmill Inn. As other information becomes available it will be posted to the website and newsletter, plus there will be some special mailings. Also someone will be calling you about the reunion sometime between now and then.



Sound Off by Barney Fisher

You got a gripe, not happy about the way things are going. Here's your chance, let me know and it'll appear right here for all to see. You know trying to keep the site and newsletter going on my own is pretty hard. I hate to sound like a broken record, but how about some input from you all. Anyone have any ideas suggestions on how to make it more interesting. Anybody want to help, let me know. Any of you gals out there want to take on writing an article of interest to the ladies?

PICTURES: There have been some new photo's added to the Photo Gallery, take a look and stroll down memory lane. Don't forget we're always looking for pictures from the past or present. Thanks.



Taps by Barney Fisher

This spot reserved for reporting the passing of our brothers. Also, please visit the website and take a few minutes to reflect and say a prayer for a friend now gone ahead.

We have been notified that the following members have passed away. Norman F Wickstrom, Robert E Suda, Frederick H Wingate, Joseph E Ralrick, Warren Speidel, James T Zaronis, Jack Shadeck and Andrew Charney. I'm sorry if I missed anyone, in 2003 we had 43 known deceased members as of 1 Jan 07 we have 75. A full list of the deceased can be viewed on the website. If you know of anyone that has suffered a loss, or is ill, please keep us informed so we may acknowledge them, Thanks.



Dismissed by Barney Fisher

In closing I'd like to appeal to everyone to PLEASE keep me informed of any information regarding our members and yourself. PLEASE, send me stories/memories of the 707th, my contact information is Barney Fisher, 5791 Valley Vista Way, Cincinnati, Ohio 45247 or email me ffisher@cinci.rr.com That's it for this issue, Take Care and **God Bless America**

Be safe and be happy!

