



Red Warriors Vietnam Association

President: Herb Taylor
Secretary: Franklin F. Wise
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Board Member: Dennis M. Witt
Board Member: James C. Hunt

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My Fellow Red Warriors,

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

The year 2020 has been very trying for all of us due to the Covid-19 pandemic. I sincerely hope that you and your loved ones are all well and staying safe. I wish all the Red Warriors and their families a very wonderful and Merry Christmas and that 2021 brings you good health and lots of happiness.

As you know, we had rescheduled our 2020 Kansas City reunion because of the pandemic and we were optimistic about getting the Red Warriors together in 2021. Unfortunately, the current status of the Covid-19 virus has made 2021 unsafe for us to hold a reunion and we have reluctantly had to postpone our next reunion. We pray that 2022 will provide the safe harbor we need for a future gathering of the Vietnam Red Warriors.

As we mature in age and face the reality that we need younger, stronger hands to plan and host future reunions, we are pursuing the possibility of folding our Red Warriors Vietnam Association into a chapter of the 4th Infantry Division Association (4IDA). The 4IDA holds annual reunions and does all the reunion planning, taking that burden away from us. We just have to show up, tell the same old war stories, and have a good time. In order to accomplish this, we have a "to-do" list of tasks that we will need to work on. We will share the progress of how and when we accomplish this transition in the next few months.

Due to family health issues and the need to be a caretaker for my wife, I am announcing my resignation as President of the Red Warriors Vietnam Association. I assumed the leadership of our great association of Vietnam brothers six years ago and it was my privilege and honor to preside over our reunions in San Diego and Milwaukee. I am resigning as President but I intend to remain an active Red Warrior forever. I wish to express my personal thanks to our association board members without whose support I would not have been able to do this job.

Frank Wise	Secretary
John Beckman	Treasurer 2014 - 2018
Larry Rosencrans	Treasurer 2018 - present
Dennis Witt	Member at Large
Jim Hunt	Member at Large

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I am also announcing that Frank Wise has expressed his need to pass the baton as a board member to another Red Warrior. He too, has a family health obligation that requires his full time attention. Frank has been Secretary since 2014 and has done a terrific job as well as being someone I could lean on for some great advice.

As my last appeal to you as president, I am asking for two of you to step forward and help our association by fulfilling the roles of president and secretary. These two roles are critical for us to be able to continue to function as an association. I know that some infantrymen fondly remember that, in the army, it was often a bad idea to volunteer for a mission, but these two jobs are essential if we are to remain a viable association. Please consider this seriously and email wilfred.pla@gmail.com your desire to assume the position of President or Secretary of the Red Warriors Vietnam Association.

Larry Rosencrans, Dennis Witt, and Jim Hunt have expressed their desire to remain on the board and I am confident that they will be a great support team for the next president and secretary.

Again, Merry Christmas and Happy New Year ... and stay safe!

Herb Taylor