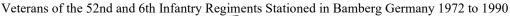


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## 2023 Washington D.C. Reunion Update

#### Veterans of the 52nd and 6th Infantry Regiments Stationed in Bamberg Germany 1972 to 1990

We invite you to join us for a reunion in the Crystal City area of our nation's capital, Wednesday to Sunday, September 13-17, 2023.

Even though the reunion is still two months away, time is getting short for you to make your plans for the reunion. And there are a couple of time sensitive actions you need to take now for the reunion.

#### **Reserve Your Room**

There are a limited number of rooms still available at the reunion rate - \$99 a night (plus taxes etc). After they are gone, you will have to pay prevailing rates for a room. The link for reunion rate is below.

You can also get the reunion rate for days before or after the reunion (the hotel calls these "shoulder" days.) But you must call the hotel directly to get these rates.

### Sign Up for Activities Now – but no Later Than September 6

You know the drill – we must give final numbers for dinners and events in advance of the reunion. Please make your plans and fill up and return your sign-up sheet as soon as you can, **but no later than September 6.** The sign-up sheet is below.

Return the registration form to Mike Streff by email or mail. streff79@comcast.net or 25 South Pointe Lane, Moneta, Virginia 24121, Phone 703-599-3723

### **Make Your Payment**

You can make your payment either by check or cash, or several convenient payment methods, including: Check, payable to "Veteran of the 52<sup>nd</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> Infantry Regiments, Inc". Mail to Mike Streff

PayPal <a href="https://www.152-76inf-coldwarvetsbamberg.org/support-our-cuase">https://www.152-76inf-coldwarvetsbamberg.org/support-our-cuase</a> You can pay using credit card through PayPal

VENMO or Zelle - Contact Mike Streff for details.

#### Join the Lottery

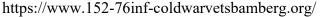
During the reunion, on Thursday, September 14th we will be visiting Arlington National Cemetery. We have been granted permission to do a wreath laying ceremony at the tomb of the unknown soldier. Four lucky members will get to walk the wreath up to the tomb. The rest will be watching from the observation deck.

If you have submitted your sign-up sheet by September 1, you will be automatically entered into a lottery to be one of the four people who will lay the wreath at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier on Thursday.

### Purchase your 52<sup>nd</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> Infantry Gear

Bill Burt has information on the purchase of 52<sup>nd</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> Infantry logo clothing and hats.

Go to the web site: <a href="https://the52and6infantry.qbstores.com/home">https://the52and6infantry.qbstores.com/home</a> or a link is posted on the groups website:





### "Uniform" for Thursday

After Arlington, we go to the Army Museum in the afternoon for the Plaque dedication. For both of these events we want to show our unity and spirit de corps by standing above the crowd. This is the

only event that will have a dress code.

### Invite Your "Bamberg Babies" to the Banquet on Saturday

Several of us had children either born while we were stationed in Bamberg, or who lived with us while we were stationed in Bamberg, and who live close to the Washington DC area. We are planning to invite them to the banquet on Saturday. If you have a "Bamberg Baby", please consider inviting them as your guest to the banquet on Saturday. Include them on your sign-up sheet.

### Not Staying at the Hotel?

If you live locally in the National Capital Region, you can attend events on an al carte basis, without staying in the hotel. We will provide detailed instructions on where and when to meet for certain events. However, given issues with access to Arlington Cemetery, we do recommend everyone ride the bus on Thursday when we visit the cemetery. But do plan on coming to the hotel to the hospitality suite when it is open.

### Call a Buddy

Your reunion will be more memorable if your buddies are there with you. It is not too late to pass along the reunion information to a friend.

### Friday, September 15, 2023, Annual Meeting

The annual meeting will be at 5:00 pm Eastern time. All veterans attending the reunion are invited to attend the Annual meeting. For those not attending the reunion, we invite you to join by Zoom. Invitation will be sent out in both the SITREP and separate email before the reunion. If you cannot attend the reunion or the meeting by Zoom, you can submit a proxy. More information and Zoom information to come.

#### Other Information

**Reunion Booklet** – We will publish a reunion booklet on August 14<sup>th</sup> which will have detailed information about the reunion.

**Details for Thursday** – The reunion booklet will have additional information on Thursday's activities – particularly for the visit to Arlington Cemetery and the museum. We continue to recommend that you ride the bus to these events. We will provide information on where and when to link up with us if you do not ride the bus.

**Reunion Communications** – We are developing a text based communications system for us to provide information to you during the reunion. More to follow.

**Silent Auction -** During the reunion banquet, there will be silent auction. You will be able to bid on items such as a Unit Coaster, Wine, and some memorabilia. More to follow on this in future Sitreps

**Other Information** – Information is also available:

52<sup>nd</sup> Infantry Facebook Page

Web Site: https://www.152-76inf-coldwarvetsbamberg.org/

#### **Details**

Link for Hotel – The reunion hotel will be the Crowne Plaza Hotel Crystal City-Washington, D.C, which is in Crystal City, 1480 Crystal Drive, Arlington, Virginia 22202, 703-416-1600. You can make your hotel reservations now, using the link below. The basic hotel rate is \$99 a night, with taxes and parking extra, for the four nights (Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, and Saturday nights with check out on Sunday). Our contract with the hotel allows you to come early or stay later at the same rate (although you must call the hotel directly to ask for the reunion rate for what they call "shoulder" stay days). The rate is guaranteed for a set number of rooms – so the rate is first come first served.

https://www.ihg.com/crowneplaza/hotels/us/en/find-hotels/select-

roomrate?qDest=1480%20Crystal%20Drive,%20Arlington,%20VA,%20US&qCiMy=82023&qCiD=13&qCoMy=82023&qCoD=17&qAdlt=1&qChld=0&qRms=1&qRtP=6CBARC&qIta=99801505&qGrpCd=VET&qSIH=WASNA&qAkamaiCC=US&qSrt=sBR&qBrs=re.ic.in.vn.cp.vx.hi.ex.rs.cv.sb.cw.ma.ul.ki.va.ii.sp.nd.ct.sx.we.lx&qAAR=6CBARC&qWch=0&qSmP=1&setPMCookies=true&qRad=30&qRdU=mi&srb\_u=1&qSHBrC=CP&icdv=99801505

Sign Up Sheet – See below.

#### **Reunion Schedule**

Tuesday, September 12, 2023

6 PM – Pre-reunion dinner – McCormick and Schmicks – Crystal City

#### Wednesday, September 13, 2023

12 noon to 11 PM – Hospitality suite opens / Registration.

2 PM – Recommended tour – DC Hop on Hop off bus

6 PM – Recommended dinner location – Ted's Montana Grill

#### Thursday, September 14, 2023

8 AM – Breakfast at hotel / Donuts in hospitality suite

9 AM – Depart by bus

Tour Arlington National Cemetery

11 AM – View changing of the guard, at the Tome of the Unknown Soldier

11:15 AM – Wreath Laying – at the Tome of the Unknown Soldier

12 noon - Travel by bus to National Museum of the United States Army

1 PM – Box lunch at museum

2 PM - Unit Tribute Plaque dedication at the museum

2 -4 PM - Tour Museum

4 PM – Buses return to hotel.

4 – 11 PM – Hospitality suite reopens / Registration.

6 PM – Recommended dinner location – Buffalo Wild Wings

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### Friday, September 15, 2023

- 8 AM Breakfast at hotel / Donuts in hospitality suite
- 9 AM 12 noon Individual touring recommendation Old Town Alexandria
- 12 noon Travel by Uber or Metro to Alexandria / Village Brauhaus
- 1 3 PM Lunch at German restaurant Village Brauhaus,
  - 710 King St, Alexandria, VA 22314, (703) 888-1951
  - Crystal City Metro Station to King Street Metro Station
- 3 11 PM Hospitality suite reopens / Registration.
- 5 PM Annual Meeting (in hotel)
- 5:30 PM President's Reception (in hotel)
- 7 PM Recommended dinner location are you are still hungry?

#### Saturday, September 16, 2023

- 8 AM Breakfast at hotel / Donuts in hospitality suite
- 8 AM 11 PM Hospitality suite reopens / Registration.
- 10 AM to 4 PM Touring on your own.
- 5 PM Reception (in hotel)
- 6:30 PM Banquet (in hotel)

#### Sunday, September 17, 2023

- 8 AM Hospitality suite reopens
  - Farewells
- 12 Noon Hospitality suite closes / End of mission

### Veterans of the 52<sup>nd</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> Infantry 2023 Reunion Registration Form

Please register by September 6, 2023. Return the registration form to Mike Streff by email or mail. streff79@comcast.net or 25 South Pointe Lane, Moneta, Virginia 24121, Phone 703-599-3723

Payment options include:

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VENMO or Zelle – Contact Mike Streff for details.

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Lunch	German Restaurant	Number Attending _		\$30 po	er person.	
Recep	tion Friday Night	Number Attending _		\$20 p	er person.	
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### **Board of Directors Election**

#### Veterans of the 52nd and 6th Infantry Regiments Stationed in Bamberg Germany 1972 to 1990

Our veteran's group is a registered 501(C)(3) corporation in the state of Virginia.

Our membership is veterans of the battalion who are registered with our corporate secretary (if you got the SITREP, you are registered!)

Our membership elects a board of directors, who works on behalf of the membership to meet our purposes. As a reminder, those purposes are:

- Conduct reunions of the veterans of the battalion.
- Support memorial activities of deceased veterans of the battalion.
- Aid veterans of the battalion who are in a crisis.
- Record the history of the battalion during the Cold War era.

The board of directors are elected for three-year terms, with the term starting on the first day of the calendar year. Elections for members of the board are held during our annual meeting, which is normally conducted in the fall of the year. The annual meeting is held at the reunion during reunion years, and by electronic means on non-reunion years.

When we formed the corporation two years ago, we elected the initial board of directors with staggered terms, so the whole board was not up for election at the same time. Those terms were:

#### Michael (Mike) Streff

**Term -** One year from 1 January 2022 to 31 December 2022, reelected for a three-year term starting 1 January 2023

#### **Robert Pruitt**

**Term -** One year from 1 January 2022 to 31 December 2022, reelected for a three-year term starting 1 January 2023

#### William (Bill) Patterson

**Term** - Two years from 1 January 2022 to 31 December 2023, position due for election this fall.

#### G.M. (Zak) Kozak

**Term** - Two years from 1 January 2022 to 31 December 2023, position due for election this fall.

#### Robert (Bob) Domenici

Term - Three years from 1 January 2022 to 31 December 2024

#### William (Bill) Burt

Term - Three years from 1 January 2022 to 31 December 2024

#### **Dennis Barletta**

**Term -** Three years from 1 January 2022 to 31 December 2024

To determine candidates for the board of directors, the board created a nominating committee. That committee consists of Dennis Barletta, Bill Burt, and Mike Streff.

Both Bill Patterson and Zak Kozak have told the nominating committee that they are willing to serve another term on the board.

Anyone else wishing to stand for election for the board should inform the nominating committee by August 1, 2023 through the corporate secretary, Bill Burt.

As a reminder, all records of our corporate are available for your review, including our founding documents, minutes of our meetings, annual reports, and tax documents. You can view the documents at the home of Mike Streff in Moneta, Virginia (he will even buy you a drink while you are there), or more practically you can send a note to him and he will provide you electronic access to the documents.

Let us know if you have any questions.

Nominating Committee

### 6<sup>th</sup> Infantry Regimental Flag – Donations Needed

The 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 52<sup>nd</sup> Infantry was redesignated as the 7<sup>th</sup> Battalion, 6<sup>th</sup> Infantry in 1987, and continued to serve in Bamberg until it deployed to the first Gulf War, and then was inactivated.

As we formed our veteran's organization, we included in our membership those who served in the battalion, either entirely in the 52<sup>nd</sup> Infantry, in both the 52<sup>nd</sup> Infantry and 6<sup>th</sup> Infantry as it redesignated, or only in the 6<sup>th</sup> Infantry after redesignation. This is why we named our veteran's organization "Veterans of the 52nd and 6th Infantry Regiments Stationed in Bamberg Germany 1972 to 1990, Inc."

For the past few years, we have been in possession of the 52<sup>nd</sup> Infantry regimental flag which was donated to us by Lamar Crosby. The flag was a gift from the non-commissioned officers of the battalion when he relinquished command of the battalion. We have displayed the regimental flag at our past two reunions.

We would now like to have a 6<sup>th</sup> Infantry regimental flag to make this a matching set. Assuming no one has an extra full size 6<sup>th</sup> Infantry flag in their footlocker, we need to raise \$500 to buy the flag.

We need your help to raise the \$500 and are asking 20 veterans of the battalion to donate \$25 each to complete our mission to honor the  $6^{th}$  Infantry part of our history.

There are several ways you can donate – see below.

Here is a picture of the flag. Please help us reach this goal.



### **Ways to Donate**

**Check** – Make out to "Veterans of the 52<sup>nd</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> Infantry Regiments" and mail to c/o Mike Streff, 25 South Pointe Lane, Moneta, Virginia 24121

 $\label{eq:payPal} \textbf{PayPal} - \textbf{Go to our website to pay through PayPal} \ \underline{\text{https://www.152-76inf-coldwarvetsbamberg.org/event-details/}}$ 

**Credit Card** – PayPal is our banker for credit cards. Go to our website and select "pay by credit card" in PayPal <a href="https://www.152-76inf-coldwarvetsbamberg.org/event-details/">https://www.152-76inf-coldwarvetsbamberg.org/event-details/</a>

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### **Ways to Pay**

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#### Roll Call – John S Weaver

https://www.mountainviewtacoma.com/obituaries/Retired-John-



LTC (Ret) John Sebastian Weaver passed away peacefully on June 25th, 2023 at his home in Steilacoom, Washington with his wife and sons by his side. John suffered a devastating brain injury in 2012 while on active military duty that forever altered the course of his life. He persevered mightily through his challenges and remained a wonderful father, excellent friend, dedicated soldier, and deeply spiritual person. John entered this world on October 29, 1960 at Fort Belvoir, Virginia. He was a third-generation soldier with a father, grandfather, and several beloved uncles who were all career Army and Air Force officers

including his namesake, 1LT John Lonergan Weaver, who died in combat during the Korean War. John followed in the family tradition by serving 23 years on active duty in the U.S. Army as an Infantry officer and then as a Special Forces Green Beret. He had a break in service in 1993 and then resumed his military career after the September 11th, 2001 terrorist attacks. He retired from active military service on June 1, 2013 at Fort Lewis, WA with his wife of 31 years, Rebecca (Becky), and his two sons, Daniel and Beau. John's early years as an "army brat" allowed him to live in many places including South Korea, Belgium, Virginia, and finally Leavenworth, KS where he graduated high school in 1979. These experiences helped develop his world view, cemented his love of travel, and most importantly, formed his core values. Although John earned a basketball scholarship elsewhere, he chose to attend the University of Kansas with several close friends, ultimately graduating with a journalism degree in 1983. With his usual tenacity he worked his way through college as a janitor at the student hospital. John was commissioned a Second Lieutenant in the U.S. Army in 1984 after attending Army Basic Training and Officer Candidate School at Fort Benning, Georgia. His first assignment was as a Mechanized Infantry Platoon Leader in former West Germany. He was especially proud of guarding the border from the "Soviet hordes" during the Cold War. He was very proud of his service with 152 Infantry. He made many lifelong friends and was mentored by several wonderful commanders. This experience influenced him profoundly and served him well for the entirety of his military career. After attending the Military Intelligence Advanced Course at Fort Huachuca, AZ John turned his boundless energy and temerity to completing the Special Forces Qualification Course at Fort Bragg, NC. Of the approximately 100 officers in the class to attempt this very rigorous, exhausting course, only 13 graduated. His next assignment was First Special Forces Group, Airborne, Fort Lewis, WA.As a Special Forces officer, he had many deployments, mostly to countries in South Asia such as Thailand, Guam, the Philippines, Japan and South Korea. His natural exuberance and high energy served him well leading an A Team. He was an exceptional leader and admired by all that served with him. John's other assignments included stints at SOCOM in Tampa, FL, a combat deployment to Afghanistan, SOCPAC in Hawaii, G-3 in the Pentagon, and a year at Fort Lewis after suffering a brain injury. He relished each tour of duty (except for the Pentagon). He often (half) jokingly lamented his time at the Pentagon saying it was what caused his abrupt health decline.

John and his wife Becky met when they were both stationed at Fort Lewis. They instantly connected as they both had so much in common; being fellow army brats, holding similar values, love of microbrews, and a shared sense of humor. They were married on April 25, 1992, at the Main Post Chapel on Fort Lewis, WA. It was a short whirlwind honeymoon in Vancouver B.C. as John deployed 3 days later and Becky returned to her deployment in the Sinai, Egypt. John and Becky share two sons, Daniel Lamar and Beau Brady. They were the love of his life. He had tremendous pride in them and was an enthusiastic supporter of all their endeavors and accomplishments. He will be truly missed and never forgotten by them. The Lord shattered the mold with John. He was a true original and an indefatigable force of nature! A friend aptly described him as "indomitable". John was strong as an ox and had an internal motor that wouldn't stop. A tireless worker, he never quit at anything,

ever. John had a quick, and at times, devastating wit. He was the life of any crowd, large or small, and would work a room, adding energy and sizzle to any gathering. An exuberant supporter all things sport, John was an intense competitor, a terrible golfer, an avid Jayhawk fan and loved the Kansas City Chiefs. He was a great father, wonderful husband, and a man of deep faith. John loved his family, friends, and Special Forces comrades in arms with zeal. May he rest in peace. John is survived by his wife Becky, sons Daniel and Beau, sisters Mary Beth Weaver and Julie Humpton, nephews Jeffrey Humpton, 1LT Andrew Humpton, and Bennet Humpton, brother-in-law John Humpton, sisters-in-law Mary Peterson, Cindy French, and Marianne Chase, many cousins, and numerous close friends. Donations, while not expected, would be sincerely appreciated to the Wounded Warrior Project or Tunnel To Towers Foundation in John's name. We invite you to share your memories of John in the Guest Book

To send flowers or a memorial gift to the family of LTC (Retired) John S. Weaver please visit our Sympathy Store.

Shelter Service w/Military Honors AUG 9. 11:30 AM (PT) Tahoma National Cemetery 18600 SE 240th St Kent, WA 98042

### **Updated Succession Roster**

By Zak Kozak and Bill Burt

Look over the attached rosters, membership and succession rosters and help us add to it or correct mistakes. Keep the names coming! We have added a lot of names to the succession roster. The names in green on the attached Succession Roster have newly been added. This roster is getting bigger and better thanks to all of you!

Mission: Capture the names of as many as possible of the ~15,000 soldiers who served in 1-52 and 76 Inf in Bamberg during the Cold War. Please see our current Succession Roster attached. We have made some progress on this roster, and we would like the momentum to continue. What We Need:

- 1. We ask every soldier to look at the list and help us move names from below the grid into the grid. We also hope everyone will remember names we do not have and pass that to Bill Burt, along with whatever other information about their time in Bamberg, or their current contact information you might have.
- 2. Look for copies of old promotion orders, assignment orders, training courses, other documents that have your name and that of fellow soldiers. maybe TMP drivers training, gunner qualification, Nijmegen March...etc. Anything you have that documents soldiers in the battalion will be useful.
- 3. Remember the soldiers next to you in formation, on a vehicle with them, working with them in the motor pool, eating with them in the mess hall, or sharing pup tents or hot bagging sleeping bags.



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# VA Information Helpful VA phone numbers

Find a VA location

Main VA phone numbers MyVA411 main information line

800-698-2411 Hours: 24/7

Telecommunications Relay Services (using TTY)

<u>711</u>

Hours: 24/7

#### VA health care

VA health benefits hotline

877-222-8387

Hours: Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. ET

My HealtheVet help desk 877-327-0022

Hours: Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. ET

Civilian Health and Medical Program of the Department of Veterans Affairs (CHAMPVA) 800-733-8387

Hours: Monday through Friday, 8:05 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. ET

CHAMPVA Meds by Mail 888-385-0235

Hours: Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. MT

866-229-7389

Hours: Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. ET

Foreign Medical Program (FMP) 877-345-8179

Hours: Monday through Friday, 8:05 a.m. to 6:45 p.m. ET

Quit VET (get help from a counselor to stop smoking)

<u>855-784-8838</u>

Hours: Monday through Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. ET

MISSION Act

800-698-2411, Select 1

Hours: 24/7

Spina Bifida Health Care Benefits Program

888-820-1756

Hours: Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. ET

Caregiver support line

855-260-3274

Hours: Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. ET, and Saturday, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. ET

#### **VA** benefits

VA benefits hotline

800-827-1000

Hours: Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. ET

GI Bill hotline

888-442-4551

Hours: Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. ET

Students outside the U.S.

+1-918-781-5678 This isn't toll-free.

Hours: Monday through Friday,

8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. ET

VA loan guaranty service

877-827-3702

Hours: Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. ET.

National pension call center

#### 877-294-6380

Hours: Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. ET Support for SGLI or VGLI

800-419-1473

Hours: Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. ET

All other VA life insurance programs 800-669-8477

Hours: Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. ET

Special issue hotline (Blue Water Navy Act, Gulf War, Agent Orange, and other information) 800-749-8387

Hours: Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. ET

#### **Burials and memorials**

National Cemetery Scheduling Office 800-535-1117

Hours: Every day, 8:00 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. ET

Headstones and markers

800-697-6947

Hours: Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. ET

# Other VA support

Women Veterans hotline

#### 855-829-6636

Hours: Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. ET, and Saturday, 8:00 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. ET

eBenefits technical support

800-983-0937

Hours: Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. ET

Debt Management Center (collection of nonmedical debts)

80<u>0-827-0648</u>

Hours: Monday through Friday, 7:30 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. ET

Vets Center call center

877-927-8387 Hours: 24/7

White House VA hotline

855-948-2311 Hours: 24/7

Veterans Crisis Line<u>800-</u> <u>273-8255</u>, Select 1

Hours: 24/7

#### Websites and Contact Info.

We have 3 websites. Our main website for distribution of information is https://www.152-76inf-coldwarvetsbamberg.org/. This is also the one that you can register for the reunion on. Also we are on Facebook, search the groups for 1st Battalion 52nd Infantry Bamberg Germany. The Facebook group is a public group. The other site is on the Ning network at http://deltacompany-52nd-inf.ning.com/, which is a private site where you need to have served in 1-52 to be able to enter. Please answer the question when requesting to enter these groups. My contact information is either by phone at 507-696-8429 or Email at Bill.Burt@152-76inf-coldwarvetsbamberg.org. You can also contact us through our main website https://www.152-76inf-coldwarvetsbamberg.org/.

### SpecOpsNet.org

SpecOpsNet.org is a NO FEE job list announcing positions primarily in the defense industry. Most, but not all, positions require some form of clearance.

The list began in 1994 as an effort to help military special operators find work at the end of their military careers. Since then, the range of jobs announced has expanded to include positions in intelligence, information technology, logistics, transportation, aviation, medicine, training, program and project management and other work veterans of all services might find valuable. If a veteran conceivably would take the position, we generally launch it.

We keep no records. We do not have a position database. We 'fire and forget' announcements. They are launched FIFO - first in, first out. We use the following general convention for our announcements:

One announcement per message. The message subject is: the position title, the location, and any clearance requirement. For example: Communications Specialist (Afghanistan)(TS/SCI req'd).

The announcement is in the text of the message, not as attachment.

The POC information is clearly stated at either the beginning or end of the announcement.

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Thank you. May God bless all those who serve and all those who care for them. De Oppresso Liber.

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