



Highway Patrol Communiqué - 14 August 2015

Greetings Highway Patrol Friends & Colleagues

It is my sincere desire that each of you are reasonably well (keeping our respective and ever advancing ages in mind). I also pray that all are enjoying life to the extent possible. Each of us has experienced many changes in our lifetimes. Progress, modernization, new products and inventions have all contributed to many changes in our life styles, how we do things, and even how we now accomplish many of our daily tasks.

Computers, wireless connections, cell phones, texting, and numerous other things have changed our lives. Automobiles that sense lane change, offer automatic braking and collision avoidance and do myriad other things that we never thought possible while we patrolled the autobahns and secondary roads in Europe are now a realization. Progress, perhaps.

I recently had a conversation with a person that was reminiscing about "the good old days". The bath with a path (outdoor latrines), once-a-week-baths, working for one dollar an hour,, the old OD army, various past presidents of another era (General Eisenhower was the sitting President while I was in the HP. Supposedly, many of us are now living longer (and possibly) healthier lives. If so, why do we ache so much when we move, and why does our eyesight no longer work as it once did? Yet, we persevere and many do survive. On a darker note, many, far too many of our comrades have passed on.

Attendance at our meetings and reunions has declined significantly in recent years and some of our former comrades are not among us. Others find it difficult to travel and every year we have members or spouses that are recovering from ailments that do not allow them to attend.

The declining attendance and the fact that our association can no longer guarantee a significant number of members showing up led to necessary changes in the manner in which we have had to plan for and to run the last several reunion meetings. This has been covered in detail in past mail-outs, e-mails, the web site , and in the White Mice. T

I have made my reservation for the 2015 reunion at Mount Airy and I truly hope that my failing eyesight will allow me to make it. As of this moment, there are only three reservations that have been made. The reunion is September 15, 16 & 17, 2015. And the cut-off date for making reservations is September 10, 2015 DO NOT WAIT until the last moment if you plan to attend. We need to know that a significant group will be present, or we will have to cancel!

Smitty has once again mailed out a reminder, and ALL details may be found on our web site, <http://www.62hp.org/>. Click on the [Reunion Information](#) link. I am emailing to my current list of members, however there are now only 00 on that list, and I do not imagine that all addresses are current as I have not

heard from many of you for several years Contact your friends, former partners, and any of those that you may have an address for – and spread the word! Mount Airy is a good place to visit and I hope we may all meet there.

Our motel will be Quality Inn, located at 2136 Rockford Street, (U.S. Hwy. 601) Mount Airy, NC 27030. Their telephone number is; 336-789-2000. Fax; 336-789-7917. Our room rates will be \$64.99 (plus tax) per night (single or double occupancy) A complimentary breakfast is included. Our special room rates are good during our stay Tuesday, September 15, Wednesday September 16, Thursday, September 17, with check out on Friday morning, September 18.

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