

12th Cavalry Regiment Association



CONSTITUTION

PREAMBLE

We, the undersigned officers and active or former members of the 12th Cavalry Regiment Association, and desiring to make the original Constitution of the 12th Cavalry Regiment Association dated July 30, 1988 null and void and to replace it with this Constitution signed and dated June 8, 2013, do hereby continue to associate ourselves and certify as follows:

ARTICLE I

Name and Objectives

Section 1. The name of this Association shall be "12th Cavalry Regiment Association". For now and hereafter in the future in the Constitution and the By-Laws of the 12th Cavalry Regiment Association, it shall be referred to as the "Association".

Section 2. The duration of the Association shall be perpetual.

Section 3. The objectives and purposes of the Association shall be as follows:

- a. To honor those members of the 12th Cavalry Regiment who serve on active duty and lose their lives in the defense of the United States, by providing a Cavalry Stetson or other appropriate memorial to the family of each team member at the funeral services.
- b. To preserve and strengthen the comradeship of the members of the 12th Cavalry Regiment Association by publishing a column in the 1st Cavalry Association newsletter, ***Saber***, and by publishing a quarterly newsletter, ***Crossed Sabers***, and an annual membership directory for the 12th Cavalry Regiment Association.
- c. To hold an annual meeting of the 12th Cavalry Regiment Association members at the 1st Cavalry Division Association annual reunion each year at a previously agreed upon location in the United States. This activity is held every other year at Killeen, Texas, near Fort Hood and every other year it is held at some other location in the United States. All members of the 12th Cavalry Regiment Association who attend the 1st Cavalry Division Association reunion can participate.

- d. To hold an annual reunion of the 12th Cavalry Regiment Association each year at a previously agreed upon location in the United States. This activity is usually held in Branson, Missouri.
- e. To support all current battalions, squadrons, troops or other units of the 12th Cavalry Regiment.
- f. To honor those Comrades in Arms who have served in the 12th Cavalry Regiment, the Battalions thereof, and the units attached thereto; and to honor those who have sacrificed their lives while serving in the 12th Cavalry Regiment
- g. To proclaim and publish the traditions, history, and achievements of the Semper Paratus Regiment through a website maintained at 12thcav.us and the Crossed Sabers Newsletter.
- h. To sponsor or participate in activities of a patriotic nature.

ARTICLE II

Membership

Section 1. All persons who have served, are presently serving and who may serve in the future with the 12th Cavalry Regiment, and with any units attached thereto, who otherwise qualify, shall be eligible for membership in the Association. The officers of the Association may at their digression ask for proof from potential or existing members as to their honorable service in peacetime, wartime or any deployment.

Section 2. Wives, widows and widowers of soldiers and persons who are or who would have been eligible for membership are eligible for associate membership, which carries no voting rights, to the Association.

Section 3. Membership dues, classes of members and other member considerations such as "Friends of the Regiment" shall be as set forth in the Association By-Laws.

Section 4. The Association shall be non-political, non-partisan and non-sectarian.

ARTICLE III

Officers, Duties and Administration

Section 1. The administration and conduct of business of the Association shall be vested in a group of officers consisting of a President, a Vice President, a Secretary and a Treasurer.

Section 2. The Officers of the Association shall be elected by casting an oral or secret ballot by members in good standing at the annual meeting of the Association at the 1st Cavalry Division Association and shall serve such terms as set forth in the By-Laws of the Association.

Section 3. Duties and terms of office for the Officers of the Association shall be set forth in the Association By-Laws.

Section 4. The By-Laws may provide for appointment of individuals and committees to assist in the administration of the Association.

Section 5. Private property of the members of the Association shall not be subject to payment of Association debts.

Section 6. The address of the Association shall be the home address of the Treasurer of the Association. He or she, as the case may be, will answer or distribute correspondence, dues received, donations and various other funds that come from sources outside of the membership to the appropriate officer or banking institution.

ARTICLE IV

Meetings

Section 1. The legislative and regulatory powers of the Association shall be vested in the general membership of the Association who shall be called to convene at least once annually at reunion or meeting.

Section 2. The time and place of such an annual meeting, or any other general meeting of the members, shall be set forth in the By-Laws of the Association.

ARTICLE V

Amendments

Section 1. This constitution may be amended by a two-thirds vote of members present and voting at the 1st Cavalry Division Association annual reunion meeting, provided that adequate notice (24 hours) of the proposed amendment has been furnished to the membership.

Section 2. Notice of the approved amendments will be furnished to the membership within 120 days after the annual reunion meeting in the Crossed Sabers Newsletter and will be posted on the 12th Cavalry Regiment Association website.

ARTICLE VI

Disillusionment

Section 1. If, for any reason, the membership numbers decline or the members become too feeble or incapacitated, the membership can decide by vote to dissolve the Association.

Section 2. In case the Association is dissolved, all assets and bank accounts are to be liquidated, all outstanding accounts payable are to be paid and the net cash is to be donated to Scholarship Fund of the Foundation of the 1st Cavalry Division Association, tax ID 23-7016417 within sixty (60) days of the Association being dissolved. The money should be sent to Foundation of the 1st Cavalry Division Association, 302 N. Main St., Copperas Cove, TX 76522-1703.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, we have approved and subscribed our names to this four (4) page document on June 8, 2013.

President

Vice President

Secretary

Treasurer