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# Never Forget Our Veterans

And The Sacrifices They Made To Secure Our Freedoms

By WWII Veteran, Jess E. Weiss



Herbert Siegel where are you!

Through North Africa, Sicily, Omaha Beach, France and Germany, you and I were inseparable foxhole buddies. My hard Bon Bon candies in exchange for your bouillon cubes, remember? Did you ever fully recover from the constant reoccurrence of yellow jaundice? Remember the fully equipped sniper's rifle captured after D-Day near Bayeux? Remember a little French boy, about fourteen years of age, who tagged on to me, whose name was Ferdinand Lassibile, Freddy for short? He saved the life of one of our aviators who was shot down. He went on several patrols with me and once when we captured a German prisoner in civilian clothes who spoke fluent French, Freddy was able to thoroughly interrogate him. I wonder where he is now? Do you recall D-Day was planned for June 5th, but the weather was so bad it had to be postponed?

Herb, did you know my small landing craft, LST 66, was hit by German artillery as we headed towards Omaha beach, second wave, on June 6, 1944 and that two men were decapitated just a few yards from shore and four of our buddies were seriously wounded? One died in my arms. Braddock and I did what we could for the wounded. Lieutenant Burnett recorded the action and I received a Bronze Star. Do you remember Omaha Beach, second wave? No trees, no bushes, no sand dunes, no cover. And most of us were seasick from the rough waters crossing the English Channel. And the barbed wire and iron stanchions stretching out of the water for miles with so many of our buddies, from the first wave, riddled with machine gun bullets, hanging on the stanchions, lifeless, and hundreds of others floating face down with just their knapsacks visible above water. You never did know how I got off that beach alive. I have been unable to reveal this to anyone until today.

The last time I saw you was on September 1944, in a place we nicknamed "Coffins Corner." The cover I used was a pile of dead buddies and for almost fifty years I have tried to erase that mesmeric picture from my memory. Not many understand or are capable of comprehending an experience such as this and I do not expect them to. But you dear friend

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#### Interesting Ohio History

Among the early settlers of the Ottawa, OH area was Henry Kohls, who arrived in 1835 and settled with his family in the village of Glandorf. In the early 1900s, his grandsons, Charles and Frank Kohls, were each elected Putnam County treasurer in successive twoyear stints. Notably, while serving as treasurer, they each appointed the other as their chief deputy. Ottawa was incorporated as a village in 1861, during the first year of the American Civil War

### Spotlight March Winners:

Bowling Green, Ottawa, OH and Olive Branch, MS

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would know and feel what I have felt all these years by being there and so my search for you continues.

The last time I saw you was on September 1944, in a place we nicknamed "Coffins Corner," on the German Seigfried line, just outside of Aachen, where I was wounded by a German mortar shell while guarding a captured pill-box. For almost fifty years I have thought about our comradeship and how many times you saw me pinned down from atop a command post. I often wonder what happened to PC Clark whose Tommy gun accidentally went off and the bullet went through Lt. Burnett's pants and just missed my right toe by six inches.

I wonder where Kidd, Patella, Hewitt, Falleta, and DeAngelo, who was accidentally shot while demonstrating a new machine pistol, are today? Do you recall the diary I took from a German prisoner on DDay? Did you know I kept a record of each day from June 6, 1944 until September 28, 1944? Here's a tidbit dated June 20, 1944. "God what a night, torrential rain and German artillery fire kept me awake in our foxhole most of the night. My helmet came in handy for bailing us out. Siegel, God bless him, can sleep anywhere and he snores. He sleeps and relies on me being a light snoozer and that I will stand guard. I voluntarily dig the foxholes. He outranks me. But I love him." Herb, in this little book are names we remember and must never forget. Colonel Matthews, Major Dowd, Lt. Duckworth, Medical Staff Sergeant Raymond Lepore my unforgettable buddy, Buschlen, Mapes, Rice, Young, Pop Wilzcek and so many more whose names I have forgotten but whose glory remains intact.

But for the grace of God, I am one of the very few remaining original E&H Company, 16th Infantry, First Division cadre, and I will never ever forget. You would be interested to know, Herb, that in 1972 I became a published author. My writings, Herb, are post-war reflections on coping with death and dying. A hangover from WWII. Finally dear friend, I hope you are still with us, and if not, I pray we may meet again in another time, another space, another place, and in a better world.

Jess Weiss found his wartime buddy, Herb Siegel. In his own words: "On the 50th Anniversary of D-Day June 6, 1994, I wrote an

article (above) that was published and NBC called every Herb Siegel in the US telephone book. They found him and sent us both back to Omaha Beach to tell our D-Day experience. Tom Brokaw & Katie Couric told our story in detail on their "NOW" program that was aired nationally & internationally."



Corporal Jess Weiss & Sergeant Herbert Siegel

## Did You Know?

In the 1930's, when Flour Mills realized that mothers were using the flour sacks to make clothes for their children, they began to use flowered and patterned fabric for their sacks. They also made sure that the name of their respective company, which was printed on each bag, would disappear when washed.



## Ohio Logistics Helps KNAP Sack



Making sure that kids and families do not go hungry is the mission behind the KNAP Sack Program helping students in Ottawa-Glandorf School District. "KNAP Sack stands for 'Keeping Nutrition Available Program' and not only provides weekend meals at schools, but also a monthly food distribution that is open to anyone in the county whose family income is under 230% of the federal poverty level," says Becky Leader of KNAP Sack.

We recently received this very kind and appreciated note from the folks at KNAP Sack....

We cannot begin to thank Ohio Logistics for everything that you put into place to ensure KNAP Sack is able to reduce hunger and food insecurity for our families in Putnam County.

The Ottawa Ohio Logistics crew has gone above and beyond in scheduling the food pick ups at West Ohio Food Bank, unloading the semis, setting up an area for our volunteers to sort food, ensuring we have all the equipment we need, wrapping the pallets, and loading the pallets onto the trailers. We are especially grateful that you are able to send a driver and truck to WOFB. These distributions are possible due to the benevolence, generosity and compassion you have extended to our families. God bless you!



### Perfect Attendance! Q1 Results Are In Three Month Perfect Attendance

Alastre De Colina, Rosa Aldrich, Skylynn M. Alvarez, Ramiro Anderson, Dave Andrews, Jean Arnold, James Baker, Eric T. Bales, Adam N. Bame, Joshua Barrientes, Daniel Beach, Venessa L. Beining, Michael J. Benavidez, Kellie A. Bentley, Daril Blair, Timothy W. Borer, Toby T. Bozich, Brandun Braidigan, Levi Brimmer, William Brining, Misty D. Brooks, Christine Brown, Brian Brown, Stewart Brown, Terrell Browning, Robert Browning, Robert A. Bruce, David Bryant, Nicole Burton, Chad Bush, Michael Calvario, Vincent Camacho, Richard Campbell, Betty Cantu, Felix Caparulo, Frank Carey, Misty Christian, Phillip Christian, Rachel Christofaro, Dominic Christy, Robert Clark, Angie Clark, Quinton Colina Atacho, Osmar A. Colitti, Diane Conn, Travis J.

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Reddington, Pamela Reducington, Parnela Rehkopf, Dustin Ripley, Camden Risner, Roman J. Rivera, Darren C. Robinson, Arthur D. Robinson, Dallas J. Robson, Catherine Rohalla, Joseph Sackrider, Ricky Sackrider, Rick Schanbacher, Bonnie Schmitz, Peggy S. Seager, Chancy Simon, Greg A. Smith, Peggy S. Snow, Rasheed Spearen, Jammy Staup, Michael D Stevens, Ashley Stiles, Anne Storck, Kevin Straub, Hunter Taft, Christine Taylor, Patrick Tiffany, Dakota Tuttle, Brian VanDusen, Tim VonRapacki, Allen VonRapacki, Carl VonRapacki, Shane Watkins, Robert Weaver, Andrew Weaver, Anthony D Wheeler, Norman R. White, Timothy H. Wilka, James D. Williams, Rita Williams, Travis Williamson, Jenice Wolfe, Rick Wood Vicki Woodard, Lawrence Woodhouse, Andrew Woodruff, Ginger L.

### Test Your Logistics IQ:

1) A private carrier hauling a subsidiary's goods and charging the subsidiary a fee; this is legal if the subsidiary is wholly owned or if the private carrier has common carrier authority.



2) Supply Chain Operations Reference Model. This is the model developed by the Supply-Chain Council (SCC), and is build around six major processes: plan, source, make, deliver, return, and enable. The aim of the SCOR is to provide a standardized method of measuring supply chain performance, and to use a common set of metrics to  $benchmark\,against\,other\,organizations.$ 



3) A term generally used to indicate that a process is well controlled, i.e., tolerance limits are ±6 sigma (3.4 defects per million events) from the centerline in a control chart. The term is usually associated with Motorola which named one of its key operations initiatives Six-Sigma Quality.



### May Dates of Importance:

May 1 - May Day May 5 - Cinco De Mayo May 6 - Kentucky Derby

May 14 - Mother's Day May 20 - Armed Forces Day May 29 - Memorial Day

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## Tech Talk

By Ohio Logistics' IT Manager, Mike Spradlin

Welcome to "Tech Talk," your inside source for all things IT. Over the last several months you have likely heard about SharePoint and some of the cool ways that we, as an organization, are leveraging SharePoint to manage information. All associates have access to the "FTTDC" Home Share Point site via a shortcut on your desktop. By accessing this link, you will have access to tons of helpful information. Things like a link to your document management repository, PowerBI dashboards and common SharePoint lists like the Visitor Log or Driver Check In. You will also find a shortcut to the IT Helpdesk where you can create a new service ticket, see updates on an existing ticket or even request new service. Additionally, under the tab labeled "Instructions" you will find several helpful "How To" documents. Questions about Outlook, Teams, OneDrive or Azure VPN, you can check here for some helpful documentation on these, and several other technologies. So don't worry about remembering all the links to all the various tools, just remember the use the "FTTDC" link and everything will be there waiting on you!

Did you know: There are 5.1 billion people on the internet. Of those, 4.28 billion access the internet via a mobile device and 4.2 billion are on social media.

Fact: Global online sales are predicted to reach 22% of all retail sales in 2023. I would have expected that number to be a lot higher than that. What do you think?



## **Meet Chancy Seager**

Chancy is a two-year Associate and Team Leader for Pack Operations in our Southern Tier Division in New York. Read below to learn a little more about Chancy.



OL: Tell us about your family.

Chancy: My family is rather large (grandparents had 11 kids between my mother's and father's sides). I have a sister who just recently moved to LA.

OL: How do you like to spend your free time? Chancy: I am a bit of a hermit actually, but I love my sports and video games.

OL: Give us your recommendation for a great local hole-in-the-wall restaurant where you live. What should we order?

Chancy: Liberty Street Pub for sure. Crispy hot wings, or mild is great too.

OL: Books or movies? Tell us about one of your favorites.

Chancy: I like both, but I prefer books on World War 2. My favorite movie is called Darkest Hour starring Gary Oldham.

OL: Who has been the greatest influence in your life?

Chancy: Hard to say because there have been

OL: Tell us about the best vacation that you have ever been on.

Chancy: Sarasota, FL. I helped a couple move down there as they were opening a new restaurant right on the beach. The beach was awesome, and the sunsets unmatched.





"If I had asked people what they wanted, they would have said faster horses. - Henry Ford -

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### Happy Birthday To You!

#### OL Ohio

Eric Baker 5/29 Daniel Barrientes 5/7 Daniel Blanchard 5/24 Judith Chitwood 5/14 Michael Hoffman 5/11 Barb Krout 5/21 Stephanie Miller 5/6 Phillip Roberts 5/23 Dakota Steensen 5/9 Christopher Villaguiran 5/27 Frank Weldon 5/25

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**OL** Penn Centre Div. Andrew Weaver 5/3

### It's Your Anniversary!

### **OL** Ohio

Adam Bales 1 Year Stephanie Miller 17 Years **Tom Orwick** 17 Years Micah Randall 6 Years Darrin Rehus 12 Years David Tong 16 Years Chelsea Weadock 2 Years James Wilka 5 Years

**OL** Southern Tier Div. William Brimmer 2 Years Vincent Calvario 9 Years Richard Camacho 2 Years Michael Erway 9 Years Devin Gee 1 Year Richard Giometti 11 Years Michael Gravatt 4 Years Angela Hawken 3 Years Jonathan Hoffmann 2 Years **Donald Jackson** 6 Years Garrison Koehler 2 Years **Briana Pruden** 5 Years Chancy Seager 2 Years Anne Stiles 2 Years John Strader 1 Year

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