



BATTERY B

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BRAVISSIMO !!

MAJOR AT BRAVO

Bravo must be the most fortunate battery in the battalion in having a high-ranking officer working on one of the gun crews.

Major Jones, came to Bravo Battery from the deactivated 6th Bn, 15th Arty.

Seriously now, Pfc Major Jones comes from Tampa, Fla., and is a cameraman in Bustin Bravo.

DEE DEE MOWS

November saw six men depart from the battery after serving a year in Vietnam. The good-byes were short and we understand that Alvin Wong, Alan Hazen, Richard Williams, Manuel Santos III, Joel Lehtola, and Craig Bell were on time to catch the big "Freedom Bird" and its flight back to the "World".

NEW GUYS

New arrivals this month were David Pots, Lloyd Myers, Gail Page, James Smith, Ronald Johnson, and James Inman.

Some other new faces were supplied by the men from the deactivated 6th Bn, 15th Arty. They were: John McDollister, Clyde Jackson, Clayton Servilican, Major Jones, Tony Hagood, Jamie Killgore, Tom Holnaiser, Dan Cobb, Clyde Gibo, and William Gregg.

PRESENTATIONS

LTC Reed presented the following men with Army Commendation medals for service:

Sgt Delbert Russell
Cpl Thomas Koba
Sp4 Donald Mullins

FORTY-NINE MEN TO GO

DEC R&R'S

Forty-nine men from the battalion will be going on R&R this month. This is the highest figure for R&Rs in the last eight months. The previous high was 45 in May. December also marks the highest percentage of individual R&R requests allocated to our battalion. This month 93% of our requests were granted compared to 65 per cent in November and 73% in October.

Breaking the 49 allocations up by location, 24 men will be going to Australia, 11 each to Hawaii and Bangkok, 2 to Singapore, and 1 IM will be taking pictures in Hong Kong.

Bravo Battery, formerly an R&R site, will have 18 men going on R&R while Alpha will have 10, Charlie 9, HHB 8, and Service 4.