

James Babcock

Don, enclosed is some stuff you may find interesting. It's what we did and some of the publicity we got and a few pictures of 'Lady Belle' that I had photocopied into 8x10's. Also the history is included so I'm sure you'll find that interesting. Mike Harding, who's dream it was to put up this helo, will be in Philadelphia for the Vietnam Helicopter Pilot's Association meeting. If some of your guys are going, please look him up or contact him at . Typically he's never home but his answering machine works great and he's good about returning calls.

Table of contents follows for this package: Page one and two is this letter, page three thru six is the history, page seven thru nine and ten (folded) are copies of newspaper articles from various sources, eleven is MajGen Pat Brady's one day history when he won The Medal (he dedicated 'Lady Belle' at a Veteran's Day ceremony here at Ft Vancouver, last November), 12 thru 15 is 'Lady Belle' as we got her, transported her, worked on her and how she looked restored to her original colors (Veteran's Day, '93), 16 is the words to "Lady Belle" and 17 is The Gospel....

As for your tardiness, I certainly do understand. We just lost two of our VVA brothers so I know and understand the delay. At 45 years of age and having worked with death for some 27 years of my life (Corpsman, fireman, paramedic, nurse) I never could find those words that would 'make things right.' I can only hope this letter brings a smile.

Semper Fi,



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Again sorry I took so long