

BG Bennett Announces 'Redcatcher Association'

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—The Commanding General of the 199th Light Infantry Brigade, Brigadier General Warren K. Bennett, has announced the formation of the "Redcatcher Association" for past, present and future members of the Brigade.

BG Bennett, in a letter to the charter members, said, "This Brigade, although relatively young, has already acquired a famous name and its actions during the Vietnam conflict have been inscribed in the pages of history.

"Even at this moment, men of this Brigade are performing heroically in our battle against the enemy, both in jungle and rubber plantations east of Saigon, and in the wet paddies and marshlands to the south of the city. It is for these men, those before them and those who join in the future, that this Association is formed."

The objectives of the new Association are to promote and publicize the accomplishments of the Brigade with the aim of improving Brigade morale and welfare.

Charter membership offers were recently extended to all officers, sergeants major and first sergeants in the Brigade. A general membership drive will be held soon. Membership fees are set at \$1.00 for general membership. This entitles the member to a membership card, a certificate and a lapel pin.

In the near future, the Association will offer various items for sale which will bear the

Brigade crest. A whole range of items is envisioned at the present time.

Most units in Vietnam have such associations. The idea for the "Redcatcher Association" was initiated by Major Dominic J. Bernardi, the Brigade Information Officer. The Commanding General authorized a study to determine the feasibility of such an organization.

MAJ Bernardi conducted the study and, with the approval of key staff officers, submitted the findings to the Commanding General. BG Bennett approved the recommendations and the "Redcatcher Association" was born.

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MAKING IT OFFICIAL, Brigade Commander, BG Warren K. Bennett signs the letter which authorizes formation of the "Redcatcher Association." (Photo by SSG Thomas O. Sines)