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Nancy's class picture shows a pretty girl, but she do run on.....

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Lincoln High Newsletter

Nancy (Porter) Huisman (64) huismann@bellsouth.net writes:

Welll.....

Most of our dad's are having a few good conversation's with each other in-between angel duties and boring the hell out St Peter with old stories and how the mill USED to be run. I know my dad would not have liked the idea of what they did to Consolidated Papers and My unlce Ronnie would not not have liked what they did to Nekoosa Papers either. Our dad's put a lot of hard work and work ethic into that paper mill and did it with pride. Those of you that still have Parents alive that worked there, must be hearing all sorts of things. It must be really strange not to hear the noon whistle and not to have the tie up in traffic before and after each shift. My Dad was a millwright supervisor when he retired, and I can still smell the way his clothes smelled of the grease and oil and just mill smell. All of our family's that worked there made good livings and the city was booming. Lets just hope that someday it can and will be back! to that.

This is off the subject for the week but ya'll know I ramble...ha!

Andrew was home this weekend. He reenlisted in the Army as a reservist back in may, so he goes in with his Capt rank, He is permanently stationed at Ft Jackson in Columbia SC but he has been TDY to train troops at Camp Shelby in Hattiesburg MS. . He will be TDY , as it stands now, pretty much for all three yrs. He has trained a troupe from Minnesota, Iowa ,and one from the south some where. He was remarking of the fact that some of them are just kids, others are older, some have been over before. Camp Shelby trains the troops to go to Afghanistan and Iraq , there are other bases that do too, but he was telling me this used to be just a summer reservist camp and it has grown to be a full flagged base now, they have that many coming thru there. He said it is the most intense training he has ever been thru. He has been to airborne and advanced schools. I helped him unpack his gear(he has! been there since May and will return back there the 15th Oct) The helmet alone weighs 16 pounds , the water bottle weighs 12 # when it is full, the full ruck sack weighs 60# the boots another 5#'s then add the protective shield pads (3) that weigh about 10 # each.... and to that add the weight of 3 armour plates that fit into the 10 pound pads. I could barely lift one of the armour plates , now add face gear and an M16. Now add that up...

16 +12+60+5+10+10+10+ plus the weight of the plates prob 25 pds each plus the gun, Now you are expected to RUN with this gear on and to Hide if attacked, and to be invisible if need be , and then run, duck,shoot and deal with 120 + heat. He says you cannot sit in a tank with this gear on because the armour plates would have to be removed first. Plus the fact that you are riding in tanks that are not armour protected,... they are waiting on them, ...

and the notion that we are removing troops is.. as he says blatant Bullshit. He said they just sent over 1200 men to replace the ones that came home.

Andrew loves the work he does, He is the child that went to New Mexico Military school because he wanted to, and went to Germany for 3 years as part of his 10 yrs owed . As a Capt with the reserves he has learned and has seen a lot but he likes the military life, discipline, freedom, and excitement plus honor. But he says this war is not slowing down and we are sending soldiers in to fight for their lives. Enough... , as Andrew says, we just need to think of who we are putting in the white house next and if they really have a clue as to what this war is really about.

I didn't mean to get off on this tangent but I went to move this 20# BAG OF POTATOES and thought that's about what they carry on their heads to stay safe. I am just glad he is listed as trainer status.

And if any of your kids get him, as a trainer, he's really a nice guy, yells real loud and mean , but you know they will be trained by the best....Andrew said this training is so intense and real, they have a good idea of what they are going into. Be proud of the troops, they deserve it. but lets get them home .

Now.. for my box of crayons please. Hoorah!

Ed note! A very good read!

Without LaFayette, we might have lost the Revolutionary War!

And he was 19 years old when he arrived in the "Colonies"!

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