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The year 2007 has been a memorable one for the staff of the Fort Lewis Military Museum. In addition to the thousands of visitors and hundreds of tours, we have made a lot of progress in our efforts to preserve our historic building. Over the last several months we have had structural and hazardous materials surveys, and inspections by engineers to determine the best course of action on restoring and renovating the museum building. Hopefully, in the coming year, these studies will pay off when work actually begins on the renovation project. When completed we hope to have a new roof, exterior repairs, clean-up and renovation of the third floor, an elevator, and full climate controls. As always, we will depend on the great support of our Friends during this exciting time.

May all of our Museum Friends have a wonderful Holiday Season!

Alan Archambault

President's Report

The last Friends of the Fort Lewis Museum General membership meeting was a memorable one thanks to Lieutenant General Charles H. Jacoby. The meeting was well attended by our Museum Friends who enjoyed a fine brunch and a great presentation.

LTC Jacoby began his program by showing a newly prepared video which highlighted the role of the American soldier and I Corps through history. Following the film, LTC Jacoby spoke about I Corps' continuing role in the War on Terrorism and future plans for both I Corps and Fort Lewis. LTC Jacoby then fielded a number of insightful questions from the audience about a wide range of subjects. Everyone was impressed with LTC Jacoby's presentation and expressed their appreciation for his attendance at our meeting and his service to our nation. Thank you Sir!

As we rapidly approach Christmas, I would like to remind everyone that the Cannon Shop has a wonderful selection of merchandise to please anyone with an interest in the Army, Fort Lewis or any era of military history. Among the popular gift items are Fort Lewis T-shirts, commemorative coins, coffee mugs with military emblems, and our photographic history of Fort Lewis.

Our dedicated Cannon Shop Volunteers will be happy to help you with any purchase. In addition, if any of you would like to join the ranks of our esteemed volunteers please contact Marion Ball or the Museum staff. If you wish to shop on-line, our website, www.fortlewismuseum.com, carries a fine selection of apparel, Styker memorabilia and other gift items.

Finally, I would like to take this opportunity to wish all our Museum Friends a happy, healthy and prosperous Holiday Season!

Ian Larson



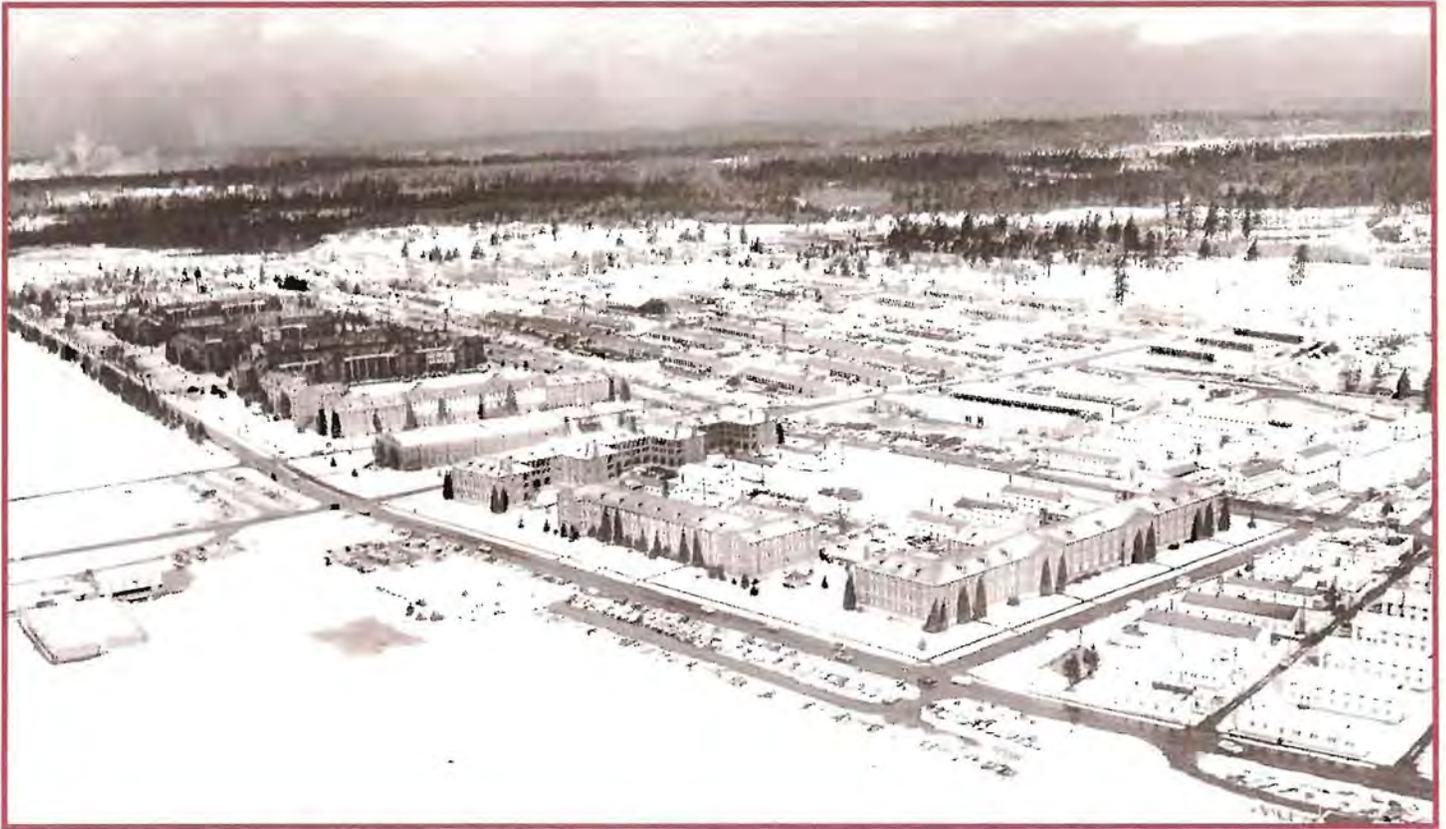
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Fort Lewis—A Winter Wonderland



An aerial view of a snow covered Fort Lewis during the early 1960s



The 91st Division Monument covered in snow

The Main Gate of Fort Lewis during a winter snowfall



Season's Greetings



CHRISTMAS AT THE CANNON SHOP

If you are looking for gift items for veterans, active duty personnel, or anyone with an interest in our military heritage, don't forget to check out the merchandise at the Cannon Shop. Among our popular items are commemorative coins, T-shirts, shot glasses, coffee mugs, and letter openers. A fine selection of model cannons in various sizes are available at moderate costs. These models look great on a desk, mantle, or bookcase.

We also stock a number of military history related books, posters and prints that are sure to please history minded friends or family members on your gift list. Since our gift store is operated by volunteers, we keep our prices low so that they are affordable to all our visitors.

We should also mention that all the profits generated by the Cannon Shop go to improve the Fort Lewis Military Museum and its programs.

If you have any questions, you can reach the Cannon shop at 253 967-4523.



Cannon Shop Hours:
Wednesday-Sunday
12-4 pm.



Gee Santa, Sure I believe in you, but I still need to see your license, registration and proof of insurance!



Fort Lewis based members of the Women's Army Corps build a snowman, c. 1970

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