#### **2022 Board of Directors**

- Lew Roman President
- John Peticolas Vice President
- Lew Moir Treasurer
- Catherine Walker Secretary
- Mike Fellows
- Megan Huelman
- JD (Bear) Owen
- Gary Francis
- Flint Whitlock
- Director Vacancies 3
- Roger Beilfuss (Honorary)

Broomfield Office of Cultural Affairs & Museums David Allison Museum Curator Elizabeth Beaudoin Education Program Support David Little

#### **CY 2022**

#### **Museum Attendance**

~3,032 signed attendance ~253/month (50% Broomfield)

#### **Outreach Contacts**

~738 from 10 school visits, special event & talks

#### **Volunteer Support**

9 Board members

24 Docents, archive, general spt

~6,346 hrs/year

~529 hrs/month

#### **Community Programs**

Memorial Day Ceremony

~ 500

Flag Retirement Ceremony

~ 175

<u>Broomfield Days</u> – Parade &

Open House

Veterans Day Program

~ 243

#### **Coffee & Conversation**

Veterans stories – 2x/month 23 speakers in 2022 239 since program start - 2012



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## **Annual Report 2022**

**Mission:** The Broomfield Veterans Museum seeks to preserve the memories of America's military history and strengthen the bonds to the community by facilitating the stories of veterans as supported by displays and artifacts for the benefit and education of generations to come.

A Message from the President: With the end of 2022, I complete 2 1/2 years as Board President. This has been a very rewarding experience. During this period we worked our way through the challenges of Covid, yet also expanded our opening days by adding Tuesday, to our Thursday and Saturday schedule.



We continued to have our Coffee and Conversation program along with our annual programs such as Memorial Day Ceremony, Flag Day, Broomfield Days Open House and Veterans Day. As evident from our committee summaries, we increased our Lifetime and Annual Museum membership, continued to expand our collection of artifacts, hosted a special WWII Symposium and quarterly rotation of "Forefathers" exhibits. All this would not have been possible without the strong support from our Board Members, Curator, Education staff and Volunteers. Additionally, our Board members carried an additional load this past year, as we had three board vacancies. As we start 2023, I am happy to announce that we are back to our full strength of 12 board members. I have served on our board since 2016, and look forward to continuing as a board member during this coming year.

Lew Roman

### Thank You to our Community and Grantors,













**CURATOR SUMMARY:** The Collections Committee and archival team had a busy year which included cataloguing 1,111 items in our PastPerfect database, accessioning 371 objects into the Permanent Collection with 10 objects being added to the Education Collection. Our collection database is now available online and shared on the Digital Public Library website. We completed 95% of the Colorado Historical Records Advisory Board (CHRAB) grant goals in digitizing and cataloguing over 600 photos and a dozen scrapbooks; all are now available online. A major ongoing project has two of our archive volunteers transcribing a



Elizabeth Beaudoin Curator

large cache of letters from 1919-1920 from a Fort Collins veteran. One interesting thing to note, we increased our collection of women's items with 6 individual women's uniforms, photographs, and stories of being in the military. Almost all donations had a connection to WWII. We are planning a Forefather's exhibit about women's military experiences for sometime in the near future. We are actively seeking stories and items from women who served overseas during Vietnam.

**Education Outreach:** Our program of "Traveling Trunks" has expanded in 2022, and is planned to do so again in 2023. We now have two WWII trunks available to area teachers and are near to having a Vietnam War trunk available. These trunks offer a teacher 30+ artifacts for each time period along with information and reading material for the classroom.

**DISPLAY & EXHIBITS COMMITTEE:** Under the direction of our committee lead, Flint Whitlock, our volunteers continued to add and upgrade almost every exhibit in the museum. Some of the year's highlights of five temporary displays setup during 2022:

- (1) Dec'21 Feb: 80<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Attack on Pearl Harbor
- (2) Feb-Apr: Museum's 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Salute to the original founders
- (3) Apr-May: 80th Anniversary of the Doolittle Raid on Japan
- (4) May-Nov: China-Burma-India Theater in WWII ("Flying the Hump")
- (5) Nov Current: Colorado in World War I

**PROGRAMS:** In addition to our normal annual programs listed on the first page of this report, the Broomfield Veterans Museum hosted two special events.

(1) **Colorado Front Range WWII Symposium.** This was held at Broomfield Auditorium on Saturday, 16 July. Organized with the help of **Fred Martin**, the event was to honor Colorado's history and heritage in World War II. Outside the auditorium were displays of 1940 military vehicles and reenactors from the 10<sup>th</sup> Mountain Division Association. The program included the following:

Opening Remarks: Introduction of WWII Veterans:

Lew Roman - BVM Board President Dr. Lauren Ball Guyleen Castriotta – Broomfield Mayor Wayne Lueth Joseph Neguse – US Congressman Don Whipple

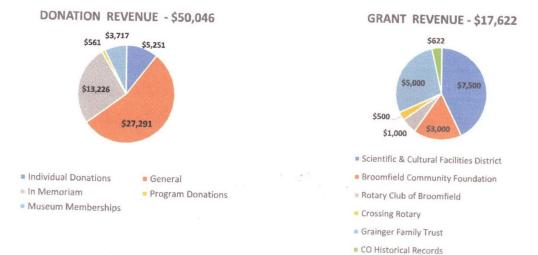
Presentations by Fred Martin, Flint Whitlock, Colleen Sawyer & Gail Beaton, and David Barrett

(2) Colorado Toy Train Foundation. This was a great family attraction held at the Veterans Museum from 8 – 22 December, and organized by museum board member, JD (Bear) Owen. The lower level meeting room was transformed into a marvelous toy train layout with a smaller configuration on the upper level of the museum. The effort was worth it to see the smiles on so many children's faces.

#### **Broomfield Veterans Museum**

Statement of Financial Position
As of December 31, 2022

#### **ASSETS Bank Accounts** Museum Checking \$28,071.89 Money Market Account \$45,055.55 Davenport Fund \* \$4,198.25 **Total Bank Accounts** \$77,325.69 **Total Current Assets** \$77,325.69 **Fixed Assets** Furniture & Technology \$27,169.69 Museum Collection \$226,606.00 **Total Fixed Assets** \$253,775.69 **TOTAL ASSETS** \$331,101,38 **LIABILITIES & EQUITY** Liabilities Accounts Payable \$37.87 **Total Liabilities** \$37.87 Equity Opening Balance Equity \$258,217.73 **Retained Earnings** \$68,597.10 Net Revenue \$4,248.68 **Total Equity** \$331,063.51 **TOTAL LIABILITY & EQUITY** \$331,101.38

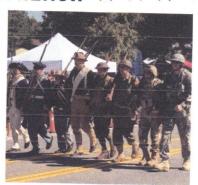


<sup>\*</sup> Robert Davenport, Sr. Fund - During 2022, the fund made five grants for rent assistance and one for temporary housing. Total amount given was \$5,537.30. All recipients where veterans who lived in Broomfield. We received generous donations from the Davenport family to cover these grants. The purpose of the Davenport Fund is to help address emergency financial needs of honorably discharged or retired military veterans and their immediate families.

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THANK YOU TO OUR OUTSTANDING VOLUNTEERS FOR YOUR HARD WORK AND DEDICATION TO THE MUSEUM!