

Philippine American History displayed at Little Saigon Tet Parade

Westminister, CA. In this year's celebration of the Lunar New Year Tet Parade in the heart of the Vietnamese Community, an equestrian Group featuring Philippine American World War II history was prominently on display. The Southern California based 26th Cavalry Regiment Ceremonial Mounted unit consisting of Filipino and American Living historians who teach about the historical US Army World War II Forces in the Philippines which consisted of Filipino enlisted men with American Officers. Although they are associated with having surrendered to the invading enemy and suffering through the Bataan Death March and enemy Prison Camps, they laid down great foundations in the development of the Philippines towards Western ways of education, infrastructure development and governance. The members of the 26th Cavalry Ceremonial Mounted unit are professionals in business, education, City, Police and Fire Services governance and also consist of several descendants of World War II Veterans who are United States Army Philippine Scouts. This year's Little Saigon Tet Parade, displayed a strong reverence to South Vietnamese Military and Cultural history with many parade participants proudly displaying Vietnam War era vehicles, uniforms and Flag displays. The 26th Cavalry CMU with their horses and vintage regalia and being the first equestrian group ever for the parade, was a big hit with the parade organizers and the Vietnamese Community.

