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34th Infantry Division Association

7700 N.W. Beaver Drive
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NEWSLETTER – MAY 25, 2003

56th National Reunion Time & Place

Host: Council Bluffs Chapter
Date: 5,6,7 September 2003
(Early arrivals 4 Sep 2003)
Place: Ameristar Hotel & Casino
Council Bluffs, Iowa

Your Reservation Forms are enclosed.

SEE YOU THERE

Tri-State Reunion

Date: 10 – 13 July 2003
Place: Dayton North Holiday Inn
Dayton, Ohio
Contact: Ray Rudolph
1460 Anderson Rd
Pittsburgh, PA 15209

135th Commemorative Volunteers Reunion

Time: 11-13 July 2003
Place: Mankato, MN
Contact: Herb Schaper, 1435 10th St South,
New Ulm, MN 56073-3661.

109th Engineers Reunion

Projected Time: 2nd Weekend of Sep 2003
Place: Rapid City, SD
Contact: Clarence C. Carsner, 606 Franklin
St, Rapid City, SD, 57701 PH: 605-343-
2708

Cemeteries Wreaths Presented

As is our custom wreaths are to be presented at the North Africa, Sicily-Rome, and Florence American Cemeteries on behalf of the 34th Infantry Division Association one Memorial Day 2003. The embassy sends us photos of the wreaths.

HELP WANTED

We thank those that have given us their stories of army life. We still are looking for books, notes, journals, comments and the like. These are filed in the Iowa Gold Star Museum archives for researchers and casual reading – to get the other side of the War.

DUES

Printed on your mailing label is the last number of the year our records show you paid your dues.

Our year is 1 September through 31 August. The current year 2002-2003 will read (3) – you are paid up until August 31, 2003. If you are a Life member it will read (L) and if you are a Widow that still wants to remain in contact it will read (W) - you do not owe annual dues. If our records are incorrect please contact us.

To become current please send \$10 for the 2002-2003 year with the form provided. We want to remain in contact.

ACT NOW

LOST RED BULLS

Does anyone know these Red Bulls?
They could not be reached by the last
mailing:

Sigwel Wood
Donald Prill
Andrew Martinelli
Harold C. Dode
Laura Jensen

Bronze Star Medal

The Bronze Star Medal is authorized for all soldiers that have received the Combat Infantryman Badge or the Combat Medic Badge during the period 7 Dec 41 thru 2 Sep 45. Send a letter to National Personnel Record Center (Military Personnel Records) 9700 Page Ave, St Louis, MO 63132 - 5100. Attach a copy of your discharge record that cites the CIB or CMB and has your Service #. Phone: NPRC Customer Service - 314-801-0800 and press button #3 according to answering instructions. If you call be sure to have your army service # handy.

Final Roll Call

Two journalists are among those that have made their final roll call. Paul Gauthier and Homer Ankrum. They were significant in preserving the stories of the soldiers of the 34th Infantry Division!!!!
(We can still furnish Homer's Book on the 34th Div - "Dogfaces who Smiled through Tears" for \$20 plus shipping.)

The following Red Bulls have made their final roll call according to reports since the September 2002 Reunion.

Homer Ankrum
LeRoy Bell ✓
Irvin Bell ✓
Chester Bills
Alex Brimberry
Wilfred Carroll ✓
Jake Castle
Rex Castle ✓
Walter Courts
Kenneth Edwards ✓
James Furey ✓
Paul Gauthier
Albert Guiglo
Archie Hirsch ✓
Stanley Humphries ✓
Walter Johnson ✓
Les Kearney -
William Kenevich
Alfred Kirchner -
Robert Knie
Francis Lindquist
Lowell Lynn -
Stanley McDonald ✓
Charles Merada
Thomas Miller
Zed Miller ✓
Jimmie North
Claude Pleas
Stanley W. Rhone
LeRoy Rolstad ✓
James Runtich
Vernon Schliesman ✓
George Seim ✓
Vince Senise
Gordon K. Spillman Sr ✓
Arthur Spilman ✓
George Thomas ✓
Julius Tinko
George Urgo
Jim Von Epers
Willie West

May they have no hills to climb or cold or rain or mud or enemy fire.



COUNCIL BLUFFS CHAPTER

34th Inf. Div. Ass'n.

The Council Bluffs, Iowa Chapter invites you to attend the 56th annual reunion of the 34th Infantry Division Association. The reunion will be held on 4, 5, 6, & 7 September 2003.

Some of you may recall the last reunion held in Council Bluffs in September of 1999. It was a memorable reunion, one which we shared many memories and visited the many interesting sites in this area.

We are working hard to bring you another great reunion and we sincerely hope you will be able to join many of your comrades in arms. This year the reunion will be held at the Ameristar Hotel and Casino. It is a first class facility. They have assured us that everyone would receive a courteous welcome and extended assistance as needed.

We have also booked rooms at two adjoining hotels, The Holiday Inn and the Hampton Inn. These are directly connected to the Ameristar Hotel and you will find them adequate and accessible to all the scheduled events. They are somewhat lesser in costs, however, if you are somewhat limited physically, you may want to save a few steps and stay at the Ameristar.

Enclosed you will find registration form and hotel information. Also we are sending you a brief of the program and planned events. We are continuing to plan for entertainment and tours to offer a great time here in the Council Bluffs/ Omaha area. Program is on the back of this letter.

The members of our Chapter promise you a hearty welcome and a memorable time. We sincerely hope to see you in September.

Bob Wege
President, Chapter 7
34th Division Assoc

Lloyd Jerome
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34th Infantry Division Association

Items – Price List – May 2003

RED BULL Polo Shirts _____ (Size)	\$22.00	Unit Distinctive Insig(Crests) _____ (Rgt)	\$5.00
RED BULL Caps	9.00	Unit Distinctive Insig (Mini) _____ (Rgt)	4.25
RED BULL Patch	1.50	Combat Infantry Badge (Mini)	3.25
RED BULL Window/Decal	1.50	RED BULL Insignia Pins	3.50
RED BULL Neckties	9.00	US Flag Lapel Pin	2.00
RED BULL Coffee Cups	6.00	US Flag/34 th Assoc Key Tags (Metal)	3.50
RED BULL Refrigerator Magnets	1.75	*Book-“Dogfaces who Smiled Through Tears” by Homer Ankrum	20.00
RED BULL Memo Pads, 50 shts 3 pads	2.50 7.00	SUBTOTAL: \$ _____	
*RED BULL Metal Plaque 41/2x8	\$77.00	Shipping: \$ _____	Note: Add reasonable postage
8x10	\$134.00	TOTAL: \$ _____	
*34 th Div Mem Highway mini-signs 12x18	20.00		
*Add \$3.00 for shipping of Plaques and Signs.			

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- () Enclosed is \$10.00 for my Annual Membership (2002-2003) in the 34th Infantry Division Association. Period – 1 Sep 2002 thru 31 Aug 2003)
- () Enclosed is \$10.00 for my Associate Membership (2002-2003) in the 34th Infantry Division Association. (Annual Fee). (Period – 1 Sep 2002 thru 31 Aug 2003)
- () Enclosed is \$ _____ for my LIFE MEMBERSHIP in the 34th Infantry Division Association. See fee schedule below. (No annual dues.)

To age 60	\$100	At age 63	\$70
At age 61	90	At age 64	60
At age 62	80	At age 65 or older.	50
- () Enclosed is \$ _____ for 34th Infantry Division Memorial
- () Enclosed is \$ _____ for Association Operations Gift.

Age _____ Unit _____

Name _____ Street _____

Signature: _____ City/State/ZIP _____



COUNCIL BLUFFS CHAPTER

34th Inf. Div. Ass'n.

56th Annual Reunion Registration Form

34th Infantry Division Association

4-7 September 2003

Ameristar Casino Hotel, Council Bluffs, Iowa

This form is for your reservation at the reunion, not the hotel

Name _____ Spouse/Friend _____

Address _____ City/State/Zip _____

Phone () _____

Planned date of arrival _____ Airline? ___ If so, ETA _____

Co/Bn/Org _____ Period of service _____

POW? _____

Special dietary req _____

Other special needs(wheelchair access, etc) _____

Registration fees per person \$95.00 X _____ Total _____

Non-Life member Assn dues \$10.00 _____

Total enclosed _____

Send Registration Form and check payable to Chapter 7 34th ID Assn by
August 15th to: L. Lloyd Jerome, 208 Sylvan Dr, Council Bluffs, IA 51503

Hotel reservations: Ameristar Casino Hotel 1- 877- 462 - 7827

Holiday Inn 1-800 - 405-4329

Hampton Inn 1-800-426-7806

Make your reservations EARLY. Tell them you are with the 34th ID
Reunion.

Questions: Contact Lloyd Jerome (712) 322-0623 or Bob Wege (712) 322-
1626

Refunds: Prior to Aug 15th, reg fees will be refunded, after that date it will be
at the discretion of the host chapter.