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*Happy Holidays to all Red Bulls*

**Report on Luisville**

The Red Bulls and their ladies descended on Louisville, KY Executive West Hotel , 9-12 September 2004.

TriStates Chapter hosted this reunion in memory of Homer Ankrum. Homer was the author of *Dogfaces Who Smiled Between the Tears* –The classic history of the 34th Infantry Division. Ellen Ankrum, his wife, three daughters, Mary Adams, Patty Ankrum, , & Peggy Fuhrman; and a nephew and his wife A.D. Ankrum and Sonja were in attendance as we all honored Homer.

Gene Lewis called the National business meeting to order following the Tri-States meeting. The minutes were read and approved for the Council Bluffs Reunion. Membership stands at 823 as of 1 Sep 2004. Net worth: \$22,054.36 plus considerable stockage. Larry Lewer and Paul Burnett audited the books and found them adequate.

Time and Place for National Reunion to be held the weekend following Labor Day are Des Moines 2005 and Council Bluffs in 2006. Pat Skelly gave the Web Site report – great!!!

Officers for 2004-2005 are: Ben Krall President, “Bud Langenfeld” 1<sup>st</sup> Vice-President, Russell “Bill” Smith 2d Vice-President and Darline Smith – SGT –At-Arms. Note: Martin Winkle presented Darline a fine club with which to do her duties.

Trustees – 3 Years: Gene Lewis(Past President) Dick Tennant and Paul

Barnett. Trustee – 2 Years: Ivan Delp (Past President) , Chuck Sweeney, and Mildred Fencil. Trustee – One Year: Charles Radford (Past President), Ed Ruple and Martin Winkle. The new officers were sworn in by Larry Lewer. John Taylor presented a motion that a book be printed commemorating Homes Ankrum’s contribution to the 34<sup>th</sup> Division. Ellen Ankrum agreed to help with the cost.

Chaplain McKeithen offered the benediction.

Chaplain McKeithen conducted the Memorial service on Sunday and Mildred Fencil read the 119 names on the Final Roll Call as follows.

Clarence Baker	John R. Basham
Grant Butler	Edwin Booth
William O Campbell	Darrell”Wimpy”Clark
Robert Creager – (Past President)	
Roscoe Day	Joe Drey
Milo W. Fister	Walter A. Fountain
John J. Garlan	Orian W. Guesman
Walter”Wally”Alfred Haugen	
Clifford F. Hehmeyer	Claus Hollesen
Frank Holt	Burdette C. Holthaus
Marvin.”Syke”Horcher	Kenneth Jones
Lee Jones	Walter Johnson
George Johnson	William Kammerer
Keneshaw Kimble	Everett Knight



George "Bud" Koch James Kokoszynski  
 Robert Krause Laverne Losee  
 Richard Moss-(Assn Treas 36 yrs;Sec 12 yrs)  
 Carl Lund James Muzzarelli  
 Robert Pache George Roufs  
 Harold Radford Douglas Scheel  
 Frank Sanache – Mesquakie Code Talker  
 Howard Scurr Glen Sidebottom  
 George Sprowles Merlin Stratmoen  
 Rolland York

Toshio Nakahara Teddy Higashi  
 Lawrence Iwahashi Kiichi Sonada  
 Sakae Kunishiga William Yokochi  
 Neil Norio Nagareda Pete Kozu  
 Gordon Oshikara Tsuneo Takemoto  
 Joseph M Tobari Richard Nakahara

**FINAL ROLL CALL REPORTED AFTER  
 THE 2004 REUNION.**

Leon Arey Dean Chappell

**OUR FRIENDS OF THE 100<sup>TH</sup> & 442D**

Mamoru Araki Tad Tokuda  
 Haruto Harada Yoshinobu Okumoto  
 Takao Noguchi Sunao Furusho  
 Yoshitaka Kuwaye Gen Ogata  
 Stanley Sakai Tsuneo Kanemori  
 Thomas Nakahara Taketo Kawabata  
 Barton Nagata Ralph Shishido  
 Thomas Mayeda Akira Umehara  
 Kiichi Sonoda Harumi Mende  
 Kungo Iwai Robert Nakasone  
 Tsukasa Muramoto Ben Tamashiro  
 Takeichi Miyashiro Miroku Dochin  
 Kazumi Takahashi Masao Yoshioka  
 Clarence Miyamoto Isao Nakashima  
 Eichi Endo Yoshio Dgomori  
 Sunao Torigoe Shigeki Fukuda  
 Yukio Takehara Peter N Segawa  
 Toshiharu Fukuda Harry Nishimura  
 Fred H. Hosokawa Mitsuo Nakamura  
 Yukio Fujimori Walter M. Sekiya  
 Robert Kazuso Yoshioka  
 Keoru Robert Miyamoto  
 Chester Hada Hary T Katahara  
 Seigi Adaniya Oswald Kawahara  
 Kanemi Kanazawa Nelvin Isoji Iwaishi  
 Yukio Okutso Hiroshi Ishikawa  
 Yoshio Yatagai Tom Okazaki  
 Dan Tokuo Iseri Jack Nobuo Murakami  
 Tokio Shiomichi Gisei Tomiyasu  
 Teruo Matsumara Robert Tanna  
 Kazuo Takekawa Yukio Oktsu  
 Larry Ishida Masaru Kimura  
 Haruto Harada Shigeru Hinatsu

**PRESIDENT'S LETTER**

I would like to thank the Mational membership for electing me as President of the Organization for the years 2003-2004. Thank you to Jerry Gorden, Secretary/Treasurer for all his help in keeping the National Organization running smoothly also to the National Officer and Past Officers for their help.

Thankyou to the Tr-State Chapter for hosting the National and Tri-State Reunions at Louisville. Your cooperation was greatly appreciated.

If I can be of any help to anyone in this upcoming year feel free to contact me at 1001 N. Missouri St., Remingto, Indiana 47977. Phone 219-261-2413. Sincerely; Eugene H. Lewis.

**SPECIAL RED BULL.**

A large stuffed RED BULL was presented to the National Organization during the festivities. This unique will mark all of the National Reunions from now on. Thanks Tri-State.

**125<sup>th</sup> FA Assn.**

Any Cannon-Kockers out there that beloged to the 125<sup>th</sup> FA?? You can contact this Assn at 125 FA Assn c/0 Bob Watts, Pres, 8250 E Rose Lake Dr, Canyon, MN 55717.



### HOWARD ASHCRAFT.

Howard is trying to get some information from any living person of Cannon Co 168 Inf that remembers a serious ammo truck accident around January 1<sup>st</sup> on the outskirts of Cassino. Address: 504 Branway Dr, Richmond, VA 23229-7015.

### INQUIRY – MULLEN.

Christopher Mullen is trying to find information about his father's service in the 109<sup>th</sup> Engineers. He knows his father served in the vic of Rome, Pisa and Livorno. Kenny Kalberg, Artie Gowen from South Boston and Nathan Weinberg from Revere, Mass. Served with him. Contact Chris at 6 Wilbur St Dorchester, MA 02125.

### INQUIRY – MAXWELL.

Jackie Maxwell Goodrich of 818 Sue Grove Rd, Baltimore, MD 21221 (Ph:410-686-8118) is looking for info on her uncle – Alexaner Gillis"Gil" Maxwell. Gil joined the 34<sup>th</sup> Div 3-12-43. He served in Africa and Italy.

### INQUIRY –HATTENFIELD

Donald Stevens 4908 Horton Ave, Davenport, IA 52807 (PH: 563-359-0819) is looking for info on Wesley C. Hattenfield who served with 168<sup>th</sup> Inf during WWII.

### INQUIRY – FRED EDGAR.

Does anyone remember Chaplain Fred Edgar who followed Chaplain Hoffman as Regimental Chaplain for the 133<sup>rd</sup>? His son Fred Edgar, Jr of 3224 Oliver St Dallas TX 75205 would like to be contacted. Ph: 214-528-1479 or 214 303- 1688.

### WORLD WAR II STAMP UNVEILING.

In May 2004, S. Don Singlestad of the 34<sup>th</sup> Division and our Association and COL Jim Moorhead of the Army Air Corps were picked to represent all veterans at the unveiling of the WWII Memorial Stamp. They were selected because they are the two living most decorated veterans of WWII. The Red Bull shines again!!

### TRIP TO ITALY.

Contact Chaplain Leighton McKeithen 3618 Sugar Cane Cir, Fayetteville, NC 28303.

### REUNION – 2005

The National Reunion will be hosted by the Des Moines Chapter in Des Moines 9-11 Sep 2005. More in the next newsletter.

### HELP WANTED.

We are still looking for stories of your army life- funny or sad. – Books, notes, journals, letters home etc. They will be archived in the museum under the 34<sup>th</sup> Division file for researchers, historians, and casual readers alike. You are a potential library of stuff the army experience is made of.

### NATIONAL OFFICE

The National Office is located at the Iowa Gold Star Museum on Camp Dodge in the suburb of Johnston. Address:

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**34<sup>TH</sup> INFANTRY DIVISION ASSOCIATION**

**ITEMS - PRICE LIST - DECEMBER 2004**

RED BULL Polo Shirts _____	\$22.00	Unit Dist Insig (Crests) _____	\$5.00
( Size)		(Rgt)	
RED BULL T-Shirts _____	\$11.00	Unit Dist Insig (Mini) _____	\$4.25
		(Rgt)	
RED BULL Caps	\$ 9.00	Combat Infantry Badge(Mini)	\$3.25
RED BULL Patch	\$ 1.50	RED BULL Insignia Pins	\$3.50
RED BULL Neckties	\$ 7.00	US Flag Lapel Pin	\$1.00
RED BULL Window Decal	\$ 1.50	US Flag/34 <sup>th</sup> Assn Key Tags	\$2.50
RED BULL Refrig Magnets	\$ 1.00	*Book "Dogfaces Who Smiled Through Tears" by H. Ankrum	\$20.00
RED BULL Memo Pads, 50shts	\$1.00		
*RED BULL Metal Plaque 4 1/2x8	\$77.00		
8 x 1	\$134.00	SUBTOTAL: \$ _____	
RED BULL Watch (Male or Female)	\$20.00	Shipping: \$ _____	
*Add 3.00 Shipping to Book & Plaque			
Add reasonable postage to all other items.		TOTAL: \$ _____	

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- ( ) Enclosed is \$10 for my Annual Membership or Associate Membership (2005-2005) in the 34<sup>th</sup> Infantry Division Association. Preiod 1 Sep 2004 thru 31 August 2005.
- ( ) Enclosed is \$ \_\_\_\_\_ for my LIFE-TIME MEMBERSHIP in the 34<sup>th</sup> 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 34<sup>th</sup> Infantry Division Assn Mermorial.
- ( ) Enclosed is \$ \_\_\_\_\_ for Association Operations Gift.

Age \_\_\_\_\_ Unit: \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Street \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ City/State/ZIP \_\_\_\_\_