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NATIONAL REUNION – 2006

The National Reunion will be hosted by the Council Bluffs Chapter 8-10 Sep 2006.

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Holiday Inn @ Amerstar.
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TRI-STATE REUNION – 2006

The Tri-State Reunion is at the Holiday Inn (Downtown) Buffalo, NY, July 13-16. Contact Reunion Brat 360-663-2531 or Pat Skelly 508-524-524-3948.

109th ENGINEER REUNION – 2006

The 109th Engineer Battalion Reunion is scheduled 7 thru 10 September 2006 at Rapid City SD. Contact Clarence C. Carsner Ph: 605-343-2708.

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 34th 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. (Note changes) Address:

34th Division Association
7105 NW 70th Ave
Johnston, IA 50131

The National Secretary is Jerry L. Gorden
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The Assn Website is www.34infdiv.org

Japanese American Veterans Association

Terry Shima, Executive Director of the Japanese American Veterans Association (JAVA) <http://www.javadc.org/main.htm>

Wrote recently: "...every member of the 100th and 442nd feels he is an integral part of the Red Bull. Of all the Divisions we were attached to, the Red Bull is the one we call home. In that connection, I felt so proud to read your website and see the numerous references to the 100th and the 442nd... a very impressive website."

The 100th Infantry Battalion carrying home their fathers and grandfathers traditions were welcomed home in January 2006 HEROES ALL!

(From Tri-State Newsletter of March 2006.)

Cannon Company, 133rd Infantry Regiment

Unit journal has been placed online:
www.34infdiv.org/history/133cannon.html.

WHITE CROSSES AT ANZIO

*Beneath white crosses row on row,
Our buddies lie at Anzio.
Do we remember, yes, we nod,
Some nameless crosses, known but to God.*

*On Anzio Beach beneath the German guns,
Our lines held firm, we did not run.
Yet those who paid full price that day,
Lie beneath white crosses and Anzio Clay*

*While we have Memorial today,
May they sleep in peace beneath Anzio's clay.
Do we remember, yes, we nod.
They are lying there beneath Anzio's sod.*

*Some still lie there this very day,
In a foreign land so far away.
May they rest well in the hands of God,
Beneath the white crosses and the Anzio sod.*

*They did their job as well they tried,
They met their fate and there they died.
We must not forget them where they lie,
And really couldn't if we try.*

*Like Flanders Field in World War One,
The crosses gleam in the mid-day sun.
The poppies grow in the same old way,
Near all white crosses on the Anzio clay.*

By Orin Gentry – Red Bull Soldier.

NOTE: The 34th Infantry Division were committed to the Anzio Beachead in the spring of 1944. They then participated in the breakout and capture of Rome. The capture of Rome was overshadowed by the press by the D-Day Landings in France. The Red Bull had already landed in beachheads in North Africa and and Naples and Anzio. Combat time was increasing every day from Nov 7th 1942 at Algiers.

LOST SINCE DEC NEWSLETTER

David Bacon
Floyd Ferrin
Douglas Johnson
Thomas McCormick
David J Nelson

Does anyone know of their location?

FINAL ROLL CALL SINCE THE LAST REUNION:

Fredrick Evans
William A. Carlson
George Danchik
Verl K Farnsworth
Kenneth Gardner
Frank J. Gombotz
Ralph J. Guisinger
Robert L Gorno
Howard Harper
S. Roman Henrich
Robert Hoerner
Gordon H. Holscher
Hugh Shockley Jacobs
Thomas Kaihara
Mitchell J. Knapp
Frank H. LaCrosse
Glen Little
Robert E McCann
Clement V. Marrier
George R Nehls
Willard B, Olson
Lester E Rydeen
Lawrence Starr
Pete Stefani Jr
John Sweeney]
Jasper Thompson
Mitchell "Trivo" Trivanovich
Robert M Wagner
Clayton L Wallin
Richard Willey



COUNCIL BLUFFS CHAPTER

34th Inf. Div. Ass'n.

The Council Bluffs, Iowa Chapter invites you to attend the 59th annual reunion of the 34th Infantry Division Association. The reunion will be held on 7,8,9, & 10th September 3006.

Some of you may recall the last reunion held in Council Bluffs in September 2003. 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 reunion will be held at the Holiday Inn, next to Ameristar Casino. It is a first class facility. They have assured us that everyone will receive a courteous welcome and extended assistance as needed.

Enclosed you will find registration form and hotel information. The program and planned events have yet to be finalized. On the back of this letter is a brief outline of events.

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

If you are arriving by air. The hotel has a complimentary shuttles from the Omaha Epply Airport. Please contact them from their courtesy phone or call 712-322-5050.

Bob Wege
President, Chapter 7
34th Division Assoc

Lloyd Jerome
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Tentative Schedule

Thursday, September 7, 2006

Registration 2PM - ?

Hospitality Room 2PM - ?

Friday, September 8, 2006

Registration 9AM – 5PM

Hospitality Room 10Am -?

Buffet 6PM

Saturday, September 9, 2006

Registration .9AM

President's Brunch 7:30 AM

Business meeting 10AM

Tours?

Social Hour 5PM

Banquet 6PM

Hospitality Room 9AM–4 PM

Sunday, September 10, 2006

Memorial Service 7AM

Breakfast Buffet 8AM

Business meeting 10 AM



COUNCIL BLUFFS CHAPTER

34th Inf. Div. Ass'n.

59th Annual Reunion Registration Form

34th Infantry Division Association

7 – 10 September 2006

Holiday Inn, 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 \$100.00 X _____ Total _____

Non-Life member, Assn dues \$10.00 _____

Total amount enclosed _____

Send registration form and check payable to Chapter 7 34th ID Assn by August 15th to: L. Lloyd Jerome, 208 Sylvan Drive, Council Bluffs, Iowa 51503

Hotel reservations: Holiday Inn 1- 888- 682-0900

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

All blocked rooms will be released after August 11, 2006

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