## 34th Infantry Division Association

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## 70th Reunion - 34<sup>th</sup> Infantry Division Association

The 2017 Reunion of the  $34^{th}$  Infantry Division Association will be Friday and Saturday, October  $6^{th}$  and  $7^{th}$ , 2017 at the Johnston, Iowa Lions Club. This will be the  $70^{th}$  Reunion of the Association.

Please refer to the Reunion Program Information Sheet on page 7 as well as the Registration Form on Page 8, of this newsletter. This is the only mailing for the reunion. This newsletter as well as the information sheet and registration form can be downloaded off the 34<sup>th</sup> Inf Div Assn Web Site, www.34ida.org

The Des Moines Chapter will host the Reunion at the Johnston Lions Club. The Reunion Hotel will be the Comfort Inn and Suites in Des Moines. All reunion activities will be at the Johnston Lions Club location.

This reunion is designed to appeal to the young soldiers. The location of the reunion, the catered meals and hotel were chosen to minimize costs. The cost of attending the events for one person on Friday evening and Saturday all day will be approximately \$40.00. This does not cover alcoholic beverages. Current Des Moines Chapter President, Col (Ret) Curly Albrecht, said he is anxious to draw many new soldiers, who have served in the 34th Inf Div, to the Friday event at the Johnston Lions Club. He also noted that we will host the awards event for the lowa Infantry Association during our banquet activities. The Associations Saturday sponsored activities will be at Camp Dodge and the Johnston Lions Club.

The featured speaker at the reunion banquet will be Mr. Brian Leehan. Brian, the author of the just-published Association book "Roaring Bull: The 34<sup>th</sup> Infantry Division in the Global War on Terror" will be on hand to chat with members and to sign copies of the book, which will be available for purchase at the banquet.

The scope of "The Roaring Bull" could fill a multivolume set. Of necessity, this will be a comprehensive *overview* of the division's part in the GWOT—bursting with the experiences of soldiers in their own words; stories that tell of service, hardship, comradeship and a pride shared by so many Red Bulls in the conduct of the GWOT.

# Centennial Anniversary for the 34th Infantry Division

This year marks the Centennial anniversary for the 34th Infantry Division. The division was established as the 34th Infantry Division of the National Guard in August 1917, at Camp Cody New Mexico. Soldiers from the states of North Dakota, South Dakota, Iowa, and Minnesota made up the organization. Prior to this time the U.S. Army did not have division size organizations.

The division takes its nick name from the shoulder sleeve insignia designed for a 1917 training camp contest by American regionalist artist Marvin Cone, who was then a soldier enlisted in the 133rd Infantry Regiment. Cone's design evoked the desert training grounds of Camp Cody, New Mexico, by superimposing a sun bleached skull over a black Mexican water jug called an "olla." In World War I, the unit was called the "Sandstorm Division." German troops in WW II, however, called the U.S. division's soldiers "Red Devils" and "Red Bulls," the division later officially adopted the divisional nickname Red Bulls.



34th ID Soldiers at Cp Cody, NM on 18 August 1918 shown in the form of a human Red Bull Patch. The soldiers would deploy one month later and arrived in France in Oct 1918.

The 34th Division arrived in France in October 1918. The U.S. Army Expeditionary Force decided not to use the division as a set organization, but to send individual units, platoons and squads / crews to the front as replacements for U.S. divisions already on the line. The World War ended on November 11, 1918 in an armistice. The 34th Infantry Division HQ's returned to the U.S. and was inactivated in December 1918.

I hope this summer addition of the newsletter finds all of our Red Bull family happy and healthy. We are having an excellent year so far and there are many exciting events coming up to help celebrate the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the 34th Infantry "Red Bull" Division.

The 2-135 just made it home from their deployment, Second Brigade just finished up their annual training period where the division commander, BG Jensen conducted a reenlistment ceremony (see photo below) for 100 Red Bulls from second Brigade to celebrate the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. First Brigade just completed SABER STRIKE in Latvia while the division is participating in several exercises throughout the summer.

We have two very exciting things yet to come this year and they are both in October: First is the publication and release of the 34<sup>th</sup> ID GWOT book and the second is our 70<sup>th</sup> reunion from 6-7 October in Johnston; we have some great events planned and are very excited to be bringing the lowa Infantry Association into our event. I feel very lucky that that the timing has worked out to have the new book available during the reunion. This will ensure that all of our members can be among the first to get a copy and read the excellent stories collected and recorded by Brian Leehan.

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#### 34th Inf Div Final Roll Call - Winter 2017

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Final Roll Call Prayer
May they have no
more hills to climb,
nor cold, nor rain, nor mud,
nor enemy fire,
and may they now rest in Peace.

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## 2-135th Infantry Bn contributes to USA's strategic partnership with Egypt

By Army Sgt. 1st Class Jim Greenhill | National Guard Bureau | May 23, 2017 SINAI PENINSULA, Egypt –

On May 23, 2017, the 2-135th Infantry Battalion, a Minnesota National Guard, 34th Infantry Division organization, handed over responsibility for the Multinational Force and Observers mission in the Sini Peninsula of Egypt, to the 1-181st Infantry Battalion of the Massachusetts National Guard

The Minnesota National Guard, 2nd Battalion, 135th Infantry Regiment, was the multinational force's lead military contingent. The organization played a key roll to help keep a historic peace that has held more than 38 years, a challenging assignment in a dynamic security environment.

In the 16 years since the 9/11 attacks on our country, innumerable missions of **fighting America's wars**, securing the homeland and strengthening domestic and international partnerships essential to national security, has been assigned to the National Guard. And the extraordinary use of the Army National Guard became routine.

The National Guard started supporting the MFO mission in 2002. Demands on the U.S. Armed Forces grew in the wake of the 9/11 attacks, and the National Guard stepped up not only to support the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan but also to ensure continuity of other longstanding overseas operations, such as peacekeeping in the Balkans and the Horn of Africa or supporting the 1979 treaty between Egypt and Israel.

"More than 15,000 Guard members have served with the Multinational Force and Observers since 2002," said Air Force Gen. Joseph Lengyel, the chief of the National Guard Bureau. and search and rescue capabilities — engagements that could further the interoperability of U.S. and Egyptian forces and develop both Guard members' skills and those of their Egyptian hosts. Other topics included the security situation in Egypt and terrorist threats, such as that posed by ISIS on the Sinai Peninsula.

"The National Guard is engaged worldwide in supporting the Joint Force and the USA's national security priorities," Lengyel said. "Missions such as our support to the MFO keep our Soldiers and Airmen ready, effective and operational."

"I hope these Citizen Warriors recognize what they're accomplishing and take pride in their service," General Lengyel said as he departed the Sinai to return to D.C. "They are taking the foundation built by hundreds of thousands of Guard members who served before them to a whole new level. It's absolutely extraordinary what Guard members do every day at home and around the world.

"We are force providers to the Army and the Air Force – and we are also a unique force that, through the civilian-acquired skills we bring to our military service, and through our unique role in the states and territories, among other things, contribute to the Joint Force in ways that should make every individual Guard member walk just a little taller and be justifiably proud of contributing to this exceptional organization and our national security."

The 2-135th Infantry has since passed through their De-Mobilization station at Ft Bliss, TX and returned to their communities and families in Southern Minnesota.

This is a congratulations acknowledgement for a job well done from the 34th Infantry Division Association. Hooough!!



### 2nd Brigade Engineer Battalion Soldier Recognized

JOHNSTON, Iowa - A 34th Infantry Division Soldier was awarded the Iowa National Guard Medal of Merit during a ceremony on April 9 at the Cp Dodge, in Johnston, Iowa, for her role in providing life-saving assistance to a stranger who had been shot just outside her apartment.

Spc. Lauren E. Kopetzky, a multichannel transmission systems operator with Co C, 224th Brigade Engineer Bn based in Cedar Rapids, IA, and a junior studying biology at Iowa State University in Ames, received the award given to Soldiers who demonstrate outstanding service, or accomplishment, or acts of heroism. Kopetzky said, "The only thing that set me apart from others is the Guard gave me the training to act.



BG Steve Altman, DCG for Maneuver, Iowa ARNG, pins the Iowa National Guard Medal of Merit on Spc. Lauren E. Kopetzky at Cp Dodge.

On the afternoon of Aug. 9, 2016, Kopetzky was home alone in her new apartment in north Ames. Contemplating going to the grocery store, Kopetzky heard two men outside arguing loudly, which was unusual. When five gunshots erupted in the street, Kopetzky reacted instinctively. "I thought somebody threw firecrackers at my window," said Kopetzky.

Witnesses who filed official police statements, said they saw Kopetzky run out into the street and make contact with the victim, a man who had been shot five times in his back. Kopetzky returned to her apartment to gather t-shirts and immediately began applying pressure to the victim's wounds.

"It should be noted at the time Kopetzky ran out of her apartment, there was an active shooter in the area," said Detective Amber Christian, Ames P D, in a letter to Kopetzky's commander. "Kopetzky could not have been certain the shooter was gone and she still risked her life to help a complete stranger."

As a high school student in Stromsburg, Neb., Kopetzky became a certified nursing assistant. In the past year, she became a certified medical assistant at Northcrest Communities in Ames. Working in the medical field for several years gave Kopetzky the knowledge and experience to monitor the victim's breathing and heart rate. Kopetzky said the training she received from the Army -- from how to treat a gunshot wound, to how to stay calm under pressure -- gave her the ability to react accordingly. "It's weird, you know. All that training they give you in basic training and at your unit just kind of kicks in," said Kopetzky.

Kopetzky was able to give the 911 operator detailed instructions on the victim's location, as well as the direction the shooter had fled. She was also able to provide aid to the victim until the ambulance arrived.

"It's just in her nature to help people," said Sgt. 1st Class Wade Kopetzky, Kopetzky's father and a fellow National Guard Soldier. Wade, a quality assurance NCO in Grand Island, Neb., and a crew chief and platoon sergeant with Co G, 2-104th General Support Aviation Battalion, Nebraska Guard, in Lincoln, Neb., was proud but not surprised.

Kopetzky said she had just been raised that way. Her father, a former Marine, career Soldier, combat veteran and one-time EMT instructor, had raised her with that helping spirit. Capt. Mike Tate, commander of Co C, 224th Brigade Engineer Battalion, heard about Kopetzky's bravery from Soldiers who had caught the story on the local news. Kopetzky was in the process of transferring from the Nebraska National Guard to the lowa Guard and had not yet met the other members of Company C. Tate said he was excited to learn he was getting a good troop.

The following weekend, at Kopetzky's first drill in Cedar Rapids, Tate introduced her to her company, citing her heroic deed. "It's the definition of selfless service," Tate said, referencing one of the core Army values. "It's incredible. It's a rare thing to find someone with that hardwired in them." Tate, a two-time combat veteran, said few have witnessed this kind of heroism before. "She had a complete disregard for her own safety," he said.

"To be honest, I haven't thought much of this incident since it happened," Kopetzky confessed. She was surprised to learn she would be recognized for an act that she still feels wasn't extraordinary, but rather, expected. Going forward, Kopetzky said the incident has reassured her she can rely on her training in an emergency and has reaffirmed her dream of becoming an emergency room physician or trauma surgeon. She said she hopes to stay in the Army and continue to serve throughout medical school and, later, as a physician.

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### 34<sup>th</sup> Infantry Division Association Internet and Facebook Sites

We ask that all members and friends of the 34th Infantry Division view our Web Site and Face Book pages for information updates.

The  $34^{th}$  Infantry Division Association thanks SFC Kevin Kalahiki , 2 IBCT **HQ's** and CW5 (Ret) Herman Poggensee for continued updates to the Face Book pages.

The URL for the 34th Inf Div Assn. national page is:

#### www.facebook.com/34InfDivAssoc

The URL for the Des Moines Chapter 34<sup>th</sup> ID page is: www.facebook.com/34IDAssocDesMoinesChapter

The URL for the Minnesota Cmdr's Own Chapter is <a href="https://www.facebook.com/commandersownredbullassociation">www.facebook.com/commandersownredbullassociation</a>

We encourage all Red Bull Soldiers who have a Facebook account to log on and share their stories with friends who share their common interests.

MSG Daniel Ewer is Website Manager for the Association Web Site, <u>34IDA.org</u> Please send us documents to post on this site. We will be asking for input in the proposed book to be written this coming year, The 34th Inf Div in the GWOT.

The Web Site for the actual MTOE 34th Inf Div is: <a href="https://www.MinnesotaNationalGuard.org/34id/">www.MinnesotaNationalGuard.org/34id/</a>

Pat Skelly, the Association Senior Historian and Archivist continues to make archival posts at the site: http://www.34infdiv.org

Pat is well respected for his detailed work & has done much to bring together WWII and War on Terror archives.



The Memorial Day wreath that the 34th Infantry Division Assn. placed at the North African American Cemetery for Memorial Day 2017 is shown above. Other wreaths were placed at the Sicily-Rome Cemetery and the Florence American Cemetery. The Association has been placing these wreaths for the past 70 years since WWII.

100th Infantry Battalion "Nisei" Party
The 100th Infantry Battalion Veterans 75th Anniversary
Banquet will be held on Sunday, July 23 from 10:00 am to
2:00 pm at the Pomaikai Ballrooms at Dole Cannery in
Iwilei. Everyone is welcome to join us, you do not need to
be a 100th member, 100th veteran or family member a
100th veteran to attend. There is no charge for 100th
Infantry Battalion WWII veterans and their wives or
widows to attend the Banquet. For everyone else
(including seniors and children), the cost is \$50 a person.

Our theme for this year's Banquet is "75th Anniversary - Diamond Jubilee" and our program will look back at 75 years of the history of the 100th. Our emcee will be the always entertaining SGT. JOSE VILLA of the 100th Battalion.

EXHIBIT FOR 100TH TO OPEN IN JUNE ON MAUI A new summer exhibit "One Puka-Puka: The Purple Heart Battalion" will open at the Nisei Veterans Memorial Center Education Center in Kahului, Maui on June 12, 2017 and will run until August 26. The exhibit will be open from 12:00 pm to 4:00 pm on Mondays through Saturdays.

#### The Red Bull Insignia

The symbol of the 34th Infantry Division features a bull skull imposed on the shape of an olla, a Mexican water jar. The insignia is a nod to the harsh training conditions at Camp Cody, New Mexico in 1917 while the *Red Bulls* were preparing to deploy for Europe. The motto of the 34th Infantry Division is "Attack! Attack!" The war cry characterizes the nature of the Division's combat operations in World War Two.



## "The Roaring Bull"

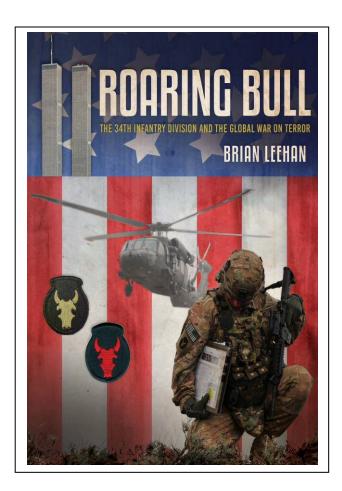
34th Infantry Division in the Global War on Terror by Brian Leehan

The book is a comprehensive overview of the 34th Infantry Division's part in the GWOT—bursting with the experiences of soldiers, told in their own words. It is full of stories of service, hardship, comradeship and the pride shared by so many Red Bulls in the deserts of Iraq, the mountains of Afghanistan, as well as in Bosnia, Kosovo, Sinai, Kuwait—and even in airports and weapons facilities within the United States. Hundreds of photos, as well as maps and graphics aid in telling the story.

Each 34th Infantry Division unit is covered; details of deployments, combat operations and the return home of units tell a universal story of all those who served.

A special memorial section includes all soldiers who were killed in action while in service with the division.

We publish this book to give each individual soldier, and their family, a publication to remember their service and their part in the Global War on Terror. "Thank you soldier for your service!"



The cover of the new 34th Infantry Division in the GWOT book is shown. The book is hard bound with almost 200 color photos.

The 34<sup>th</sup> Infantry Division History of the Global War on Terror book, "The Roaring Bull," by Mr. Brian Leehan, is now at the publisher. We will have the book available for the 70<sup>th</sup> Reunion of the Association in 6-7 October 2017.

Yes, Send me a copy of the book, "The Roaring Bull, The 34th Infantry Division in the GWOT." The price for members is \$37 if mailed to your address. Include a personal check with this order form and send to the 34th Infantry Division Assn. address shown below.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_
Address \_\_\_\_\_\_

Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

34<sup>th</sup> Infantry Division Association lowa Gold Star Museum, Camp Dodge - Bldg 3692, 7105 NW 70<sup>TH</sup> Ave, Johnston, IA 50131 Price if Picked Up at one of three locations is \$32.00

- Iowa Gold Star Military Museum, Cp Dodge, IA
- 34th Infantry Div HQ Gift Shop, Rosemount MN
- Minnesota Military Museum, Camp Ripley, MN

## 34th Infantry Division Association • 70th Annual Reunion

This year's 70th Reunion of our Association is being hosted by the Des Moines Chapter, under President "Curly" Ron Albrecht, (1-133rd), on October 6<sup>th</sup> & 7th, 2017 Johnston, IA.

Johnston, Iowa is the home of Camp Dodge, the 34<sup>th</sup> Infantry Division Memorial, the Gold Star Military Museum and the HQ's of the Iowa National Guard. The 2<sup>nd</sup> Brigade Combat Team, 34<sup>th</sup> Infantry Division has units stationed at Camp Dodge. THE ARRANGEMENTS

Lodging: The Reunion lodging will be at the Quality Inn & Suites, 4995 Merle Hay Road, Des Moines, IA 50322 Phone # 844-371-9604. At intersection of I-80 and Merle Hay Road.

The room rate at the hotel will be \$69.00 plus taxes. Breakfast is complimentary. Parking is free. Please make your reservations individually using the phone numbers shown above. Tell them when you register that the Group Rate is for the 34<sup>th</sup> Infantry Division Association Reunion.

A Hospitality gathering, on Friday PM & Saturday, will be at the Lions Club building in Johnston. It is located 6501 Merle Hay Road, just 15 blocks North of Interstate I 35/80/during the hours announced in the Reunion Program. Snacks, coffee, non alcoholic beverages will always be available.

The Hotel does not provide airport van transportation to and from the Des Moines International Airport. The 34<sup>th</sup> Infantry Division Association will assist with ride sharing to the Lions Club and Gold Star Museum. Let us know your requirements on the reservation form.

Please keep in mind that you need to do two things in order to join us in Johnston:

- Send in your Reunion Registration the form is included in this newsletter at page 8. NLT 15 Sep 2017
- Make the Hotel reservation Quality Inn and Suites,

4995 Merle Hay Road, Des Moines, IA 50322 Phone Number 844-371-9604. NLT: 15 Sep 2017

Final details and any updated information will be posted to our  $34^{th}$  Association website (http://www.34ida.org )

THE PROGRAM

#### Registration:

The registration fee for the two day conference will cover the Friday Evening dinner, the Saturday Banquet, ice cream social and soft drinks & snacks. We ask that a free will offering be made for purchased beer & wine. The Registration Fee, for the two day event is \$40, to be paid with the pre registration. Single day reservation is \$17 Friday & \$23 Saturday.

Friday Afternoon and Evening- October 6<sup>th:</sup>
All are invited for the Kick Off event of the Reunion. Join us
for the "Gathering of the Red Bulls Tail Gate Party" at the
Johnston Lions Club building. Drive there directly or we will share
rides from the hotel for the short trip on Merle Hay Rd to the
Lions Club building at 6501 Merle Hay Road, Johnston.

We will start with refreshments at 3 PM and a full sit down BBQ dinner at 6:30PM. The Infantry Association will serve a Free-Will Offering Bar w/ beer & wine. This time will be spent with meeting old friends and making new friends into the late evening. Wear your School Colors for a Tail Gate Party.

The Registration Table will be open from 3 to 6 P.M. in the Johnston Lions Club Lobby. All the Friday activities will be covered by \$17 registration fee.

The Lions Club is at 6501 Merle Hay Road, just 15 blocks North of Interstate I 35/80. We will share rides back to the Quality Inn at the end of the evening.

Saturday Morning, October 7<sup>th</sup>, will start at 9:00 A.M. with the business meetings of our organization: the presentation and approval of reports, elections, and old & new business.

A Briefing on 2010-11 Afghanistan Medical Operations at 10:30 AM. will be presented by COL (Ret) Chris White, M.D.

Noon Lunch will be an individual responsibility.

Saturday Afternoon we will tour the WWII 34<sup>th</sup> Infantry Division Memorial at Camp Dodge, the Iowa Gold Star Military Museum with special 34<sup>th</sup> Infantry Division exhibits, plus dedicated time available for veterans and family to research the Archives of the 34<sup>th</sup> Infantry Division Assn. All are invited for an old time Ice Cream social at the museum at 3:30PM.

Iowa Infantry Association, Soldiers from the Iowa Infantry Association will join us for afternoon & evening events.

Saturday Evening, will be our last formal gathering of this reunion. At 4:00 P.M. we will gather for refreshments with a Free Will Bar - beer & wine. At 5:15 P.M. we will join together for the posting of the colors and Infantry Association recognition awards event. At 6:00 P.M. the 34th Infantry Division Memorial Service will begin to honor our deceased comrades & members. Dinner at 7:00, (paid thru the Sat reservation fee of \$23.)

After recognition of our guests, we will feast on a buffet dinner and then enjoy some words from our keynote speaker Mr. Brian Leehan. Brian, the author of the just-published Association book "Roaring Bull: The 34<sup>th</sup> Infantry Division in the Global War on Terror" will be on hand to chat with members and to sign copies of the book, which will be available for purchase at the banquet.

#### Reunion Pocket Program

#### Friday, 6 October

3:00 P.M. Hospitality Table at Johnston Lions Club, Social: Coffee, Soda, Beer & Wine F/W Offering, Snacks (Light refreshments and appetizers provided)

3 -5 P.M. Share ride to Lions Club for the Bulls Tail Gate Party 5:00 P.M. Continued Social, All cost covered by Registration fee.

6:30 P.M. Sit down BBQ Dinner, F/W Beer & wine.

#### Saturday, 7 October

7:30 A.M. Presidents Meeting, Lions Club North Room (Invite) 8:00 A.M. Continued Registrations, Lions Club Lobby, Johnston Hospitality items, (Coffee, Soda, Rolls, Snacks)

9:00 A.M. 34<sup>th</sup> Inf Div Assn Business Meeting, Lions Club Room 10:30 Briefing on Medical activities during 2/ IBCT, 34th ID Afghan War Operations 2010-11 Col (Ret) Chris White

12:00A.M. Lunch at Area Restaurants (Individual Pay)

1:00 P.M. Ride Share Available to Camp Dodge Tour of 34<sup>th</sup> Inf Div Memorial Monument & Gold Star Military Museum & 34<sup>th</sup> Infantry Exhibit, Camp Dodge

3:30 P.M. Ice Cream Social at Gold Star Museum, Camp Dodge

4:00 P.M. Social (Free Will wine & beer) Lions Club Johnston 5:15 P.M. Posting of the Colors

Iowa Infantry Association Awards/ Presentations

6:00 P.M. 34<sup>th</sup> Inf Div Assn Memorial Service, 1LT Nate Perry 7:00 P.M. 34<sup>th</sup> Inf Div Assn Reunion Dinner Banquet, Lions Club Guest Speaker, Mr. Brian Leehan, Author of The Roaring Bull 34<sup>th</sup> Inf Div Global War on Terror.

Door Prize Drawing - GWOT Book

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

#### 2017 REUNION REGISTRATION FORM - CELEBRATING 70 YEARS

Friday P.M., October 6 <sup>th</sup> thru Saturday Octo	ber 7 <sup>th</sup> , 2017		
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HOME PHONE ( )	_		
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PLEASE LIST ANY SPECIAL NEEDS UPON AF	RIVAL		
<b>REGISTRATION FEES (FRI &amp; SAT)</b> For Friday Hospitality Table, Coffee & Soda, & evening Dinner. And, Saturday Association Meeting, Ice Cream Social, Banquet Dinner, Entertainment, Hospitality Table snacks & Beverages. (Alcoholic beverages of Wine at Beer will be a free will offering cost at all Events)			
NUMBER OF PERSONS X \$40.00 = TO	TAL		
FRIDAY ATTENDANCE ONLY For Friday Hospitality Table, Coffee & Soda, & evening Dinnerat the Johnston Iowa Lions Club site. (Alcoholic beverages of Wine at Beer will be a free will offering cost.)  NUMBER OF PERSONS X \$17.00 = TOTAL			
SATURDAY ATTENDANCE ONLY For Association Hospitality Table snacks & Beverages. (Alcoholic beverages			
NUMBER OF PERSONS X \$23.00 = TOTAL			
PLEASE RETURN REGISTRATION FORM AND CH	ECK BY U.S. MAI	L TO:	
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