



76th Annual Reunion 34th ID Association September 15-16, 2023

The 2023 reunion of the 34th Infantry Division Association will be Friday and Saturday, September 15 & 16, 2023, at Camp Dodge, Iowa. This will be the 76th annual reunion of the Association since WWII. Camp Dodge is located 6 miles North of Johnston, Iowa. The Des Moines Chapter will host the reunion. Please see the details for attending the reunion on page 3 of the newsletter. The registration form is shown on page 5 of the newsletter.

We look forward to seeing many past and present Red Bull Soldiers and their Families!



On May 27 the 34th “Red Bull” Infantry Division Fire Support Element (Field Artillery) briefed the Targeting Decision Board to the Major General Charles Kemper, the Commanding General for the 34th ID, the Assistant Division Commander for Maneuver, and Brigadier General Steven Schemenauer, at Josip Jović Training Center, Udbina, Croatia. The purpose of the brief is to inform

the Division Commanding General of enemy formations that need to be eliminated to ensure the divisions success on the battlefield. The brief, which is one event that falls under exercise Immediate Response 23, drives the military decision-making process for the war fighting functions of the division headquarters.



Story and photo provided by the 34th Infantry Division Public Affairs Office

Realistic, challenging training increases readiness. Undergoing that training alongside partner nations strengthens international cohesiveness. Soldiers with the Minnesota National Guard’s 2nd Battalion, 135th Infantry Regiment, 34th Red Bull Infantry Division are taking part in the Defender Europe exercises in Macedonia.



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34th Infantry Division Final Roll Call

Winter 2023

Rikio Tsuda A Co, 100th Bn 34th Inf Div
 Moriso Teraoka D Co, 100th Bn 34th Inf Div
 Hiroshi Hershey Miyamura, Co D, 100th In Bn
 David Saunders, A/1-133 In Bn 34th Inf Div
 Frank Guiglio, WWII, Inf Regt, 34th Inf Div
 Brian J. Fuller, HHB, 1-194 FA 34th Inf Div
 John Hamann, HHC, 2-133rd In, 34th Inf Div
 Don Ticknor, D, 1-194th Cav, 34th Inf Div
 William Smith Jr., 194th Cav Sqdn, 34th ID
 Tom Felderman 1-133rd Inf Bn 34th Inf Div
 Barry Steve Houk, Jr., 194th Cav Sqdn, 34th ID
 David Lawrence Mosinski, 224th En Bn 34ID
 Gerald Hoss, 2-133 IN, 113 Cav 34th Inf Div
 Bill Brosnahan, 1-133 IN, 34th Inf Div

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Thomas Wood, 234th Sig Bn, 34th Inf Div
 Melvin Randall, C/ 747th Mt Co, 47th Inf Div
 Darrin J. Burress, 1133 TC, 34th ID
 Dana Heil, 186 MP Company 34th Inf Div
 Roger Balmer, 34th Bde, 47th Inf Div (34th ID)
 PFC Bernardino Colasurdo B/135 IN WWII
 Isaiah Yoder, C/ 1-168 IN 34th Inf Div
 Josh Qwen, 1-194th Armor, 34th Inf Div
 Larry Clausen, 2-133rd Inf Bn, 34th Inf Div
 Joe Vanderah, 47th AG Co, 47th /34th Inf Div
 Thomas L Franz, 34th Army Band, 34th Inf Div

Greetings 34th Inf Div Assn. Members,

Since the last newsletter, the Association has been actively engaged with a number of activities.

The Italian chapter of the 34th Inf Div Association assisted us to support Memorial Day activities at the Nettuno Rome and the Florence, U.S. National Cemeteries to recognize our Fallen WWII soldiers. See the article on page 4 of this newsletter.

The total numbers of men lost during WWII, in just the three Infantry Regiments was 133rd Inf Regt- 1,115, 135th Inf Regt- 1,210, and the 168th Inf Regt- 1,253, the 100th Nici Bn – 338 = adds up to 3,916 soldiers KIA, MIA, and DOW in just the three Infantry Regiments and Nici Bn.

There are a number of 34th Infantry Division soldiers and units ether deployed, or preparing to support Peace Keeping Operations around the world. Stand by to support the families on the home front, watch the news, attend welcome home ceremonies of units when they return.

I would like to invite all of our current soldiers and retired soldiers to attend the 76th Annual 34th Infantry Division Assn. Reunion on Fri & Sat, September 15-16 at Camp Dodge. Note the date was changed. The Des Moines Chapter has lowered the cost to participate in the Reunion Activities. This is a great event and a good opportunity to see many of your friends you served with.

ATTACK! ATTACK! ATTACK!

Lucas Queck, SGM
President, 34th ID Association

lqueck@hotmail.com

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.*

National Office-34th Infantry Division Association

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 Association Website <http://www.34IDA.org>

76th Reunion 15-16 Sep - 2023 Camp Dodge, IA

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Also, follow Red Bulls at

1st ABCT: <http://www.facebook.com/MinnesotaRedBulls>

2nd IBCT: <http://www.facebook.com/iowaRedBulls> <http://www.dvidshub.net/units/2-34IBCT>

<http://www.twitter.com/iowaRedBulls> <http://www.flickr.com/iowaRedBulls>

76th Annual Reunion

34th Infantry Division Assn.

This year's 76th Reunion of our Association will be hosted by the Des Moines Chapter on **15 – 16 September 2023**, at Camp Dodge, Johnston, IA.

Cp Dodge is the home of the Iowa National Guard. It is located 2 miles N of Johnston, IA, off of I-35/ I-80.

Camp Dodge Joint Maneuver Training Center (CDJMTC) is home of the Office of the Adjutant General of Iowa, the JF Training Center, the National Sustainment Training Center, CFMO, RTI, USP&FO, and units of the 34th Infantry Division, along with the Iowa Gold Star Military Museum.

THE ARRANGEMENTS

Lodging: Lodging is available on both Friday and Saturday evening at Camp Dodge or at any civilian Motel in Johnston or Urbandale, IA.

Camp Dodge Billeting Office 515-278-4238
Email: campdodgelodging@iowa.gov
SOQ Room Single w/shared bath \$29 to \$41 large room Full/Queen bed Room \$62.00. No Camper hookups. Please mention the 34ID Association Reunion and SOQ's Rooms, when calling.
If using a commercial Motel, we recommend you use the Holiday Inn Merle Hay Rd, at # 515-278-4755. The rate is \$140 w/o breakfast.

Transportation: Attendees are responsible to self-transport to Camp Dodge from the Des Moines Airport with Taxi or shuttle service.

There are two requirements to attend the reunion:

1. Send in your Reunion Registration form, located in this newsletter. NLT August 15, 2023
2. Make a hotel reservation – NLT: August 5, 2023, Final details and any updated information will be posted to our 34th Association website, link: <http://www.34ida.org>

THE PROGRAM

Registration:

The registration fee for the reunion covers the Friday evening social gathering, Saturday lunch & banquet meal, and soft drinks/snacks. The Registration Fee, for the entire two day event is \$40.00, to be paid with the pre-registration. Payment can be made by check to the Des Moines Chapter. See the Registration Form. Again, two day Reunion fee is \$40 for Friday and Saturday. The Friday social is a Free Will Offering.

Friday- September 15th After checking into your pre-arranged lodging, move to the Iowa Gold Star Military Museum at 4 PM to kick off the reunion with a

“Gathering of the Red Bulls.” You can get directions from the NW 70th Gate Guard, or Billeting office.

The social runs from 4-8 PM with Hors-DeVours, Snacks, chips, and drink's. This is a “Free Will Social,” and donations will be appreciated.

Saturday- September 16

The Annual Business Meeting of the Association starts at 8:15 a.m. at the Iowa Gold Star Military Museum. At 9:00 AM the Camp Dodge Training Site Cdr, COL Jason Edwards, will brief about the capability and services of Cp Dodge, to be followed by a tour of Cantonment area and visit to the M-16 Rifle Range and Sustainment Training Center (STC) (Medical).

The tour bus will return to the Museum at 12:30 PM. A sandwich lunch is provided as part of the Registration fee.

After Lunch, at 1:30 P.M., we will receive a tour at the Gold Star Museum on the 34th Infantry Division in WWI and WWII, and the War on Terror.

The Ice Cream Social will start and 3:30 P.M.

Reunion events continue at the Dodge House at 4:30 PM with an Association Social time (no host bar), a memorial service at 6 PM and the banquet (Catered Meal from Cracker Barrel Restaurant) at 6:30 PM. The guest speaker is Col Simon Schaefer, Cdr, 2nd IBCT, 34th Infantry Division, who will speak on the status and training of the 34th Infantry Division.

This concludes the reunion events. Nothing Sunday.

Reunion Pocket Program

Friday- Sep 15

10:00-4:30 PM Iowa Gold Star Military Museum Open
4:00-8:00 PM Reception/Registration at IA Gold Star Museum. Hors-DeVours, Snacks and non-alcoholic beverages covered by a Free Will Offering.

Saturday- Sep 16

7:00 AM Officer/Trustee Meeting Museum Library.
8:15 AM Business Meeting, Gold Star Museum
9:00 AM Training Site Commander Overview of CDJMTC
9:30 AM Bus Tour by Camp Dodge Training Site
Visit Range Firing 113th Cav Sqdn
Visit Medical Training at Sustainment Tng Ctr
12:30 AM Sub Sandwich Lunch at Museum (included in fee)
1:30 PM Iowa Gold Star Museum- 34th Inf Div special Exhibit and Guided Tour of GS Museum
3:30 PM Ice Cream Social at Museum/ or Personal Time
4:30 PM Social Hour with a no host bar, Dodge House
5:45 PM Posting of the Colors, Dodge House
6:00 PM Memorial Service, Dodge House, MAJ Van Sloten
6:30 PM Reunion Banquet (included in fee), Guest Speaker is Col Simon Schaefer, Cdr, 2nd IBCT, 34ID ID

Sunday- Sep 17- No Association Activities

WWII Fallen 34th Division Soldiers Remembered in Italy



The photo shown above, shows two members of the Italian Iron Man, 133rd Infantry Chapter, of the Association, placing a wreath at the Florence American Cemetery, on Memorial Day of this year. Luigi Malfi, (L) from Calenzano, IT and Marco Poggiali, (R) from Firenze, IT, served as Honor Guards during the Memorial Day events. The speaker at the Florence Memorial Day event was the commander of the Sixth Fleet, Vice Admiral Thomas E. Ishee, headquartered at Naples, Italy. A second 34th Infantry Division Assn. wreath, is shown below, at left, with four other U.S. Army Divisional wreaths that were displayed at the Sicily – Rome American Cemetery at Nettuno Italy. The 34th Infantry Division Association has placed flowers annually at the cemeteries since 1947.



Fort Snelling Division Monument Dedication



From the 34th Infantry Division monument dedication on May 6, 2023. Left to right; MG Charles Kemper (Red Bull 6), CSM (R) Doug Julin, WWII Red Bull veteran Mr. Don Halverson, and BG BVT (R) Don Kerr. The monument is located next to Iwo Jima flag raiser Charles W Lindberg's grave on the Avenue of Flags if you need a reference point to find it.



This year is the 79th anniversary of the D-Day landings conducted on June 6th, 1944. Ninety percent of the Soldiers on the first boats to hit the beaches didn't live to see the end of the day. We pay tribute to the indomitable spirit of those who fought for liberty and reshaped our world.

Photo provided by
<https://RareHistoricalPhotos.com>



34th Infantry Division Association

2023 Reunion Registration Form- Celebrating 76 Years

Friday, September 15, through Saturday September 16, 2023, Camp Dodge, Iowa

NAME: _____

GUEST: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP CODE: _____

PHONE: _____ Military Unit of Assignment: _____

EMAIL: _____

List any special needs during the reunion: _____

REGISTRATION FEES:

FRIDAY AND SATURDAY ATTENDANCE. The Fee covers the association meeting venues/costs, Friday evening "Free Will Offering" Hors-De Vours reception, Saturday Sandwich lunch and banquet, & non-alcoholic beverages and snacks (cash bar available for socials). Number of Persons _____ X \$40 = Total \$ _____

FRIDAY ONLY ATTENDANCE. No Fee. Free Will Offerings accepted. Friday evening Hors-De Vours reception, and non-alcoholic beverages (cash bar available). No prepay fee. Number of Persons _____

SATURDAY ONLY ATTENDANCE. Fee covers the association meeting venues/costs, Saturday lunch and banquet meal, and non-alcoholic beverages and snacks (cash bar available). Number of Persons _____ X \$40 = Total \$ _____

Please return registration form and payment for total amount to:

By mail. Make check out to: 34ID Inf Div Assn. Des Moines Chapter

Send to: **34ID ID Assn. Des Moines Chapter**

Attn: Herman Poggensee

7105 NW 70th Ave.

Johnston, IA 50131

Lodging arrangements must be made by August 15, 2023.

Camp Dodge Billeting, (515) 278-4238. Reference the 34 IDA Reunion. Cost \$29 to \$62. Housing reserved. Individual rooms vary from a single bed with a shared bath, to double beds with private bath. This is a Drill Weekend, so make your reservation early!

For local commercial lodging we recommend the Holiday Inn & Suites at 4800 Merle Hay Road, Urbandale, IA, with a rate of \$140.00. Phone number 515-278-4755 or 888-465-4329.

For questions on the reunion lodging, contact SGM (Ret) Carroll Tungesvik 515-709-9451

For questions on reunion registration, payments, contact CW5 (Ret) Herman Poggensee at 515-480-5640
National Secretary, COL(R) Bierl, bierlhome@msn.com

Materials and updates are posted on the 34IDA website: <http://www.34ida.org/>



Born May 18, 1894, Major General Norman E Hendrickson is among the most notable Red Bulls, Artillerymen, and Minnesota National Guardsmen. He served in the Mexican border conflict, WWI, WWII, and during the Korean War. Hendrickson enlisted in D Battery, 1st MN Field Artillery on 22MAR1916 and served with the unit in the Mexican border conflict (1916-1917). He was a Battalion Command Sergeant Major when the 151st Field Artillery mobilized for World War I and later received a commission and Field Artillery command in France. By World War II he was the 59th Field Artillery Brigade Executive officer in Minneapolis, Minnesota. When the 34th Infantry Division mobilized for World War II he was selected as the Division Chief of Staff while at Camp Claiborne, Louisiana, making him the senior National Guard officer on the Division staff. Despite most senior National Guard officers being replaced by Regular Army officers, Hendrickson excelled and was commended by multiple Division commanders. He remained the 34ID Chief of Staff throughout the mobilization, its time in Northern Ireland, its fighting across North Africa, and most of the Italian campaign. The 34ID Commanding General, Major General Ryder, said of Hendrickson "He is quiet and works well under the pressure of combat" and "This is one of the finest officers I have ever had under my command". General Eisenhower's papers show he met with Hendrickson several times during the North Africa campaign. Hendrickson was commended for his planning of several invasion operations and was reluctantly released from the 34ID near the end of the Italian campaign to become the Chief of Staff of the US IX Corps (likely at the request of MG Ryder who left command of the 34ID to command IX Corps) as it planned for the invasion of Japan. He was part of the occupation of Japan force. After WWII he came back to Minnesota and became Commanding General of the new Minnesota based 47th Division which he commanded for nine years including its mobilization to Camp Rucker Alabama to support replacement forces bound for Korea. Hendrickson was a graduate of Minneapolis South High School and the University of

Minnesota. He worked for Bethlehem Steel in Saint Paul as a civil engineer. He died 2 Jan 1963 in Edina and is buried at Ft. Snelling cemetery. Hendrickson impact area at Camp Ripley is named in his honor.

Story and photos provided by the 34th Infantry Division Artillery Public Affairs Office

The American flag that Capt. William Doan wears on his right shoulder represents many things . . . 

It represents the moment his family was evacuated by U.S. Marines, by helicopter, from a rooftop during the Fall of Saigon in Vietnam.

It represents his grandfather's service in the South Vietnamese Army, who fought alongside U.S. forces as a transportation officer.

It represents the opportunities his parents had after he was born in America soon after - the hard work and dedication they demonstrated each day as they became U.S. citizens themselves.

Most importantly, the flag represents his fierce love of his country. He still remembers the adrenaline rush he felt in elementary school as he watched the 9/11 terrorist attacks, and the moment he decided to join the Iowa National Guard as soon as he was old enough.

"I am the first in the family to be a part of the U.S. military," Doan said. "And it's something that I'm very proud of, and my family supports it."

Doan reminds us of the importance of honoring your history while appreciating where you're at. Doan now serves as a mobilization project officer and as the commander of Echo Company 334th Brigade Support Battalion.

"The Army values - loyalty, duty, respect, selfless service, honor, integrity and personal courage - are very similar to the traditions and values that my parents raised me with," Doan said. "And I believe culture and diversity is what makes us unique in this all-volunteer force."



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34th Infantry Division National Membership Application Form

NOTE: If your address Label shows (L), (W), (T) or (2) you do not owe dues for the Current Year

- () Enclosed is \$10.00 for my Annual Membership in the 34th Infantry Division Association. Annual membership period is – 1 Sep thru 31 Aug of each year. (Open to past and present members of units / organizations assigned to the 34th Inf Div or soldiers who have been members of the National Guard.)
- () Enclosed is \$10.00 for my Associate Membership in the 34th Infantry Division Association. (Annual Fee) (Period is – 1 Sep thru 31 Aug of each year). (Individuals who do not meet membership requirements, ie: Spouses, Friends)
- () Enclosed is \$_____ for my LIFE MEMBERSHIP in the 34th Infantry Division Association.
(See Fee Schedule Below) {No Further Annual Fee}.

To Age 60 \$100.00
At age 60 & older \$50.00
- () Enclosed is \$_____ for my donation to the 34th Infantry Division Memorial Fund.
(Maintain all monuments and annual flowers for the Cemeteries in North Africa, Italy & U.S.)



Name _____ Street _____
 City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____
 E-Mail: _____ Phone Number _____
 Age _____ Military Unit/ Organization _____ Signature: _____

Note: The purpose of the 34th Infantry Division Association is to preserve the history of the 34th Divisional units & attached organizations of soldiers that have served their nation since 1917. The National Association schedules an annual meeting each Fall.

The National Secretary is COL (Ret) Russ Bierl. His E-Mail address is bierlhome@msn.com The National Association Website is <http://www.34IDA.org>
 Membership Treasurer: Mark Newhall 515-210-1812 Email: mark.d.newhall@gmail.com

A newsletter is sent to current members three times a year by E-Mail or U.S. mail. All newsletter are shown on the Association Website. The 34th Infantry Division Association maintains files and a desk at the Iowa Gold Star Military Museum.

Museum Store - 34th Inf Div Assn Price List – Oct 2021

34 th Red Bull Polo Shirts Size _____	\$ 25.00	34 th Red Bull Div Insignia Pins (Lapel Pin)	\$ 6.00
34 th Red Bull T-Shirt Size _____	\$15.00	Red Bull Patch (Black & Red)	\$ 6.00
34 th Div Red Bull Neck Tie	\$15.00		
34 th Red Bull Window Decal	\$2.00	34 th Div Red Bull Flag (3X5')	\$65.00
34 th Red Bull Jacket (Red) Size _____	\$25.00	Red Bull Memo Pads, 50 Sheet	\$ 2.00
34 th Div "Camouflage" Red Bull Ball Cap	\$22.00	34 th Red Bull Coffee Mug	\$ 6.00

Special Price on Books: Roaring Bull, 34th Infantry Division in the Global War on Terror \$10.00

*Add \$5.00 for shipping the first ITEM and \$2.00 per each added ITEM in the same shipment.

Sub Total \$ _____
 Shipping \$ _____
 Total \$ _____
 Name: _____

34th Infantry Division Association
7105 NW 70th Ave, Camp Dodge, Bldg 3692
Johnston, IA 50131

Street Address _____ City _____ ZIP _____

Call 515-210-1812, if you have a question, if no answer, please leave a message.



2nd Battalion, 147th Assault Helicopter Battalion flew across the northern border to pick up our NATO allies who serve with the Canadian Army Reserve and HMCS Griffon / NCSM Griffon, participating in Exercise Sure Shot at Camp Ripley, MN.

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