#### BILL SMITH President



34th Infantry Division Association 7105 NW 70th Avenue Johnston, Iowa 50131

#### **NEWSLETTER 1 August 2006**

#### NATIONAL REUNION - 2006

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

Leslie L. Jerome COL (Rtd)
208 Sylan Dr Council Bluffs, IA 51503.
PH: 712-322-0623;
e'mail: mrclean34@hotmail.com

#### Location:

Holiday Inn @ Amerstar. Ph 888-682-0900.

### 109th ENGINEER REUNION - 2006

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

#### BBC DOCUMENTARY

Flashback TV of London England began filming a Documentary of the Battle of Cassino and North Africa at the Iowa Gold Star Museum Sat 24 Jun 2006. This documentary will be shown on the BBC in UK and the History Channel in the US in about 6 months. They will supplement the piece with maps and interviews with German soldiers who faced the US Army at Cassino. Norman Raner, Elmer Popejoy, Charles Radford, Bill Smith, and Joe Boitnott represented the 34th Division. Carl

Strom spoke for the 36<sup>th</sup> Div, and Leonard Dziabas ??.

#### 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.

#### **INQUIRY 1**

Glenda Littleken, #4 Milky Way Dr, St Charles, MO 63304, Ph: 636 922-7576, looz5@sbeglobal.net. Is looking for anyone that knew her father SSG Robert F Allen. He served with the 34<sup>th</sup> Div during the campaigns in Italy from Naples to Po Valley. He was from Greencastle, Indiana.

#### Inquiry 2

An Army SGT is looking for members of the Antitank Co, 168 IN, North Africa – POW at Kasserine. If you know anyone that knows them please contact the National Office.

#### **BAD NEWS**

Our current President Bill Smith suffered a stroke and is in a nursing home.

#### NATIONAL OFFICE

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

> 34<sup>th</sup> Division Association 7105 NW 70<sup>th</sup> Ave Johnston, IA 50131

The National Secretary is Jerry L. Gorden <u>jlg34d@msn.com</u> Phone: 515-276-5677.

The Assn Website is www.34infdiv.org

#### LOST SINCE Apr NEWSLETTER

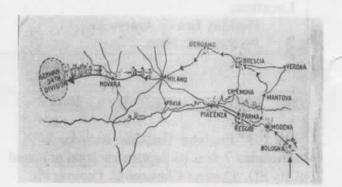
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Does anyone know of their location?

# FINAL ROLLCALL SINCE THE LAST REUNION:

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George R Nehls Carl Norman Willard B, Olson Lester E Rydeen Calvin Smith Donald Smith AK Spurlock Lawrence Starr Pete Stefani Jr John Sweeney Jasper Thompson C.L.Thornhill Mitchell "Trivo" Trivanovich Robert M Wagner Clayton L Wallin Edwin Waynee Richard Willey





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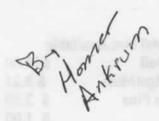
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CHARLES L. BOLTE MAJOR GENERAL, G. S. ARROY COMMANDERS IN DESCRIPTION

# 34<sup>TH</sup> INFANTRY DIVISION ASSOCIATION 7105 NW 70<sup>th</sup> Ave Johnston, IA 50131

## ITEMS - PRICE LIST - July 2006

RED BULL Polo Shirts \$22.	6 ()
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RED BULL T-Shirts\$11.	, 8 ()
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RED BULL Refrig Magnets \$ 1.0	
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34th Inf Div Flag 3ft X 5ft	\$65.00
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History of 34<sup>th</sup> Inf Div in WWII Price: \$20 plus \$3 Shipping



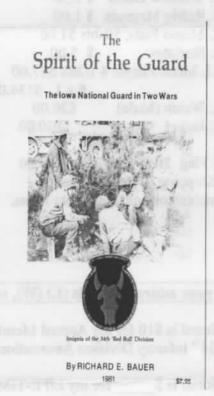
Citizen Soldier by Berens Story of LTC Ed Bird Cdr 2/168 WWII Price \$10.00



Shorty at War (2/133) Price \$4.00



The Other Side of War –133 Rgt by H.Youngdahl Price: \$6.00



The Spirit of the Guard by Bauer (133 Rgt) Price \$7.00



## COUNCIL BLUFFS CHAPTER

34th Inf. Div. Ass'n.

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

Lloyd Jerome Sec'ry/ Treas

#### 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.

# 59<sup>th</sup> Annual Reunion Registration Form 34<sup>th</sup> Infantry Division Association 7 – 10 September 2006 Holiday Inn, Council Bluffs, Iowa

This form is for your reservation	at the reunion, not th	e hotel.	
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Address	City/State/Zip		
Phone ()			
Planned date of arrival	Airline?	_ If so, ETA	
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Special dietary req			
Other special needs (wheelchair acce	ess, etc)		
Registration fees per person \$100.00		Total	
Non-Life member, Assn dues \$10.00			
	Total amount		
Send registration form and check pay	vable to Chapter 7 34	4 <sup>th</sup> ID Assn by	
August 15th to: L. Lloyd Jerome, 208 51503	Sylvan Drive, Coun	icil Bluffs, Iowa	
Hotel reservations: Holiday Inn 1-8	88- 682-0900		
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Make your reservation EARLY. Tell	them you with the 3	4 <sup>th</sup> ID Reunion	
All blocked rooms will be released a	fter August 11, 2006		
Questions Contact Lloyd Jerome (71:	2) 322-0623 or Bob	Wege (712) 322-	

Wallace Chinen Mitsuru Doi Richard Endo Masao Fujimoto George Goto Jack Kojin Gushiken Harumi Harata William Hagio George Hagiwara Susumu Hata James Horikoshi Halo Hirose Stanley Hamamura George Ikinaga Tanao Ito Benjamin Ishibashi Tom Kashiwabara Asao Kase Masaru Kadomoto Edward Itsuo Kajiwara John Ko Arthur Kikukawa Takeji Kinoshita James Kurata Tooru Joe Kanazawa Tameji Matsushige Wataru Michioka George Morishima Isao Nadamoto Seichi Nagamine Roy K Nakamura Thomas T Nakamura Edward Nakao James N Noji Seiichi Oshiro Jou Okitsu Walter Shibata Francis Sugai Miles Shima Masato Suehiro William Saito James Tadashi William Takaezu Iwao Takamori Tetsuo Takeoka Mikio Mike Takahasi Masasuke Toma Kiyoshi Uyeno Tadashi Umamoto

Sakae Watanabe Yutaka Watanabe Jack Kuniyoshi Wakamatsu Ralph Yempuku Ralph Hitoshi Yoshioka Jack Yoshimoto Eichi Yonashiro Richard Yamamoto

#### Final Role Call after Reunion:

Richard Moss – Assn Treas 36 yrs/Sec 12 yrs Kenneth Jones George Roufs Ray Puterbaugh

#### **Cemetery 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 34<sup>th</sup> Infantry Division Association on Veteran's Day 2003. The embassy sends us photos of the wreaths.

#### DOG TAGS FOUND

Dog Tags were found in the Villa Delle Maschere near the Futa Pass. Do any of you recognize these names?

Wefko Walter Glass Rowen Jr 32018122 T44 A 35882772 T44 0 C P

Shrader Gillford House C House 34058338 T43 A 33731427 T42-43 A

Charles A Barton
35226858T42 0
Eva L Barton
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Contact the Association if you have info.

The Following Red Bulls names were read at the Memorial Service – Reported since the Reunion September 2002:

#### FINAL ROLE 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!!!!

Tom Allen Homer Ankrum Robert Angel Sam Argos Amil Backstrom Ashburton"Bud" Bailey LeRoy Bell Byron O. Benjamin Irvin Beyl Chester Bills Alex Brimberry Wilfred Carroll Jake Castle Rex Castle Walter Courts George Doble Kenneth Edwards Joe Flynn Merle Fuller James Furey Paul Gauthier Michael Graziono Albert Guiglo James Halench Walter A. Haugen Lawrence E. Hartzell Archie Hirsch Stanley Humphries Sari Jimenz Don Jones Walter Johnson Les Kearney William Kenevich Alfred Kirchner Robert Knie

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

Our Nisei brothers report the following:

Tatsuo Abe Bumpei Akaji Norio Akutagawa