The M-1 Carbine

Part One

By Keith R. Schmidt

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The M1 loved by many; hated by some...shared by all branches of the Uncle Sam’s military: The Greatest Generation used the “Little M1” as a key tool in the European and Pacific fronts of WWII. Most GI’s wanted to bring the handy carbine home. Since it was one of the few U.S. issue long guns that easily fit in a duffle bag, many did.

WW II Medal of Honor Recipient Audie Murphy valued the firearm, calling one his “Lucky Carbine,” and repeatedly used the model in combat through Italy, France, and Germany as documented in his autobiographical, To Hell and Back.

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Marne 6 Sends

Greetings to all Dog Face Soldiers – past, present, and Friends of the Marne Division.

As we celebrated Independence Day last month, we hope that everyone was able to reflect on how far our great nation has come. From a small group of brave men and women who risked everything to stand up for what they believed in, the United States of America has overcome a great deal to be able to celebrate 240 years of independence. As the United States has continued to change and transition through the years, the Marne Division has done the same.

Most recently we welcomed new division leadership and said goodbye to old teammates. We welcomed Col. David Hamilton to the team in May as he assumed duties as Division Deputy Commander – Support. On June 24 we bid farewell to Col. Peter Andrysiak as he transitioned out of his position as Chief of Staff and we welcomed our new Chief of Staff, Col. Donn Hill, on July 11. Col. Hill and Col. Hamilton join us at an extremely busy time. The division has units deployed around the globe and continues to train at home station in preparation for the upcoming division warfighter exercise.

The division staff participated in Warfighter Exercise 16-05 at Fort Leavenworth, KS in May and returned home to participate in Command Post Exercise III in July. These exercises

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Buddy: The First Seeing-Eye Dog

(The book, Buddy: the First Seeing-eye Dog, is available from Amazon for a variety of prices ranging from about $6.00 to $16.00. The following story, while not a book report, is a good summary of the book.

Morris Frank lost the use of an eye in a childhood accident, losing his vision altogether when a boxing accident damaged the other when he was 16. Frank hired a boy to guide him around, but the young man was easily bored and sometimes wandered off leaving Frank to fend for himself.

Germans had been working at this time on the use of Alsatians (German Shepherds) to act as guide dogs for WWII veterans blinded by mustard gas. An American breeder living in Switzerland, Dorothy Harrison Eustis, had written an article about the work in a 1927 issue of the Saturday Evening Post. When Frank's father read him the article, Frank wrote to Eustis pleading with her to train a dog for him. Frank said, "Is what you say really true? If so, I want one of those dogs! And I am

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The Society Website has been up and running for two months. Be sure to check it out (www.society3rid.org). A website is always a “work in progress.” Items are being added and removed all the time. The newest links are a story about each Division Regiment, the Long Range Reconnaissance Patrol, the latest C&BL member approvals, and the results of the Society elections. Great job by our site builder and our coordinator.

Congratulations to 1st Sgt. Toby P. Knight on his election as Society President and to Lynn Ball as Central Region Vice President and Dave Pope as Eastern Region Vice President. There were no nominations from the Western Region. Nominations from the floor at the reunion are acceptable. If there are no nominations, the position will be filled by presidential appointment.

The Society Facebook page has been very popular. Contact at the publishing of this issue of the Watch is numbering nearly one-thousand per week. New posting are well accepted. The posting of the 1st B.C.T. Armor brought over 9,000 viewers (1600 the first day).

We congratulate Outpost #35 Member Larry Kinard as he completes his term as National President of the Korean War Veterans’ Association. Well done, Larry.

Outpost #88 Member Lou Schindler wrote to say that the Combat Infantry Badge on the cover of each issue of the Watch should have stars. Some members of the Division earned the C.I.B. multiple times. The C.I.B. is authorized for issue for service after 12/6/41. The Watch editor was asked to make the change. Note: Lou is one of a select few who has been awarded the Combat Infantry Badge three times. Congratulations, Lou.

Thanks to the officers and members of Outpost #7, each Memorial Day and each Veterans’ Day a floral wreath is laid at the Tomb of the Unknowns at Arlington National Cemetery. John Insani has been handling the details for several years. Appointments and times for the wreath ceremonies must be requested at least one year in advance. Pat Williamson handled the event on Memorial Day 2016. Our thanks to John and Pat.

The Society’s 97th Annual Reunion in the Harrisburg/Gettysburg area is fast approaching. There is a great program planned. Be sure to make your hotel reservations by 8/22/16. The 2017 Reunion is in the great city of San Antonio, Texas. More to come. The 2018 event is scheduled to be held in the Western Region at a location to be decided at the 2016 reunion.

The Army Divisions Association held their annual meeting in Charleston, West Virginia, in May. Public Relations Chair Tom Mains was invited but could not attend due to a prior commitment. Pat Williamson volunteered to attend and represent the Society, and prepare a report for the Watch.

The Society Membership Brochure is being updated to reflect present conditions, Website, Facebook, and contact information. A Society member, who wants to remain anonymous, has shown his concern by declining credit for arranging for recruiting ads in about 1100 print media (newspapers).

Please read the article in this issue written by Active Duty Liaison Jeff Ashmen CSM (Ret.). He has met with MG Rainey (Division Commanding General) several times about recruiting for the Society. Note: the Division celebrates its 100th birthday in 2017.

This is my last message to you as your Society President. I have enjoyed every minute of my term of service to the members of the Society of the 3rd Infantry Division.

Yours in the 3rd, Joe Ball

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THE SOCIETY OF THE 3ID IS LOOKING FOR YOU!

The Society of the Third Infantry Division has existed for 97 years and is the oldest continuous Army Association.

Members receive a first-class publication six times a year. Members support a scholarship foundation. Members meet with local outposts at least once a year, and all members are invited to a national reunion held annually. Dues are minimal.

If you wore the Marine Patch or if you are a family member or friend of a Marine Soldier, you are invited to join the Society!

There is a membership application on p. 30. Join today!
have been extremely productive and will ensure the team is trained and ready to execute any mission we are called upon to execute.

1st Armored Brigade Combat Team continues their third rotation in Europe as the regionally allocated force for U.S. European Command. The Raider Brigade shot gunnery in Germany, Poland, Romania and Bulgaria throughout the month of May to qualify lethal crews for future training. The Troopers from 5th Squadron, 7th Cavalry Regiment executed Combined Resolve VI, a combat training center rotation at the Joint Multinational Readiness Center at Hohenfels, Germany in May, giving them the opportunity to hone their cavalry and reconnaissance skills. Company A, 1st Battalion, 64th Armor Regiment shipped their equipment from Bulgaria across the Black Sea to the Republic of Georgia for Exercise Noble Partner 16, marking the first time in history the M1A2 Abrams tank has been deployed to and fired a live round in Georgia. The exercise brought Georgian, British and U.S. Soldiers together to focus on enhancing NATO Response Force interoperability. From June 7-17 the Raider Brigade joined more than 31,000 participants from 24 nations for Exercise Anaconda 16, a Polish-led exercise that demonstrated Allied defense capabilities to deploy, mass and sustain combat power. Following Anaconda 16 the Raider Brigade assumed the Operation Atlantic Resolve mission in Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania, Poland, Hungary, Romania and Bulgaria on July 1, providing additional opportunities to train alongside our NATO Allies while demonstrating to any potential aggressors our continued commitment to the defense of our Allies and the collective security of Europe.

The Spartans of the 2nd Infantry Brigade Combat Team continue to support various missions on three continents throughout the world. As the regionally aligned brigade to U.S. Africa Command and U.S. Army Africa, they have more than 400 Soldiers deployed to nine different African countries. The 9th Brigade Engineer Battalion recently supported Western Accord 2016, a command post exercise in Burkina Faso that included participants from 15 West African nations and 7 NATO European countries. Additionally, Soldiers from the 3rd Battalion, 7th Infantry Regiment supported Central Accord 2016, a command post and field training exercise in Gabon designed to improve partnerships and interoperability for a United Nations peacekeeping mission. The Spartan Brigade also remains active on the European continent, as Soldiers from the 6th Squadron, 8th Cavalry Regiment continue to train Ukrainian Soldiers as part of the Joint Multinational Training Group – Ukraine. This training is held at the International Peacekeeping and Security Center in Yavoriv, Ukraine. Back at home, the Spartans remain focused on readiness. The Soldiers of Company B, 2nd Battalion, 7th Infantry Regiment participated in Operation Panther Shield, a Joint Operation Access Exercise at Fort Bragg, N.C. with 3rd Brigade, 82nd Airborne Division. Their excellent support to this exercise improved readiness and interoperability between units.

The 3rd Infantry Division Artillery has continued to advance the fires warfighting as the Force Field Artillery headquarters for the division this summer. DIVARTY worked to refine their command post operations during Falcon Focus in May, establishing a framework that allowed the brigade to perform at its full potential during Command Post Exercise III in July. In addition to training at home this summer, Soldiers of the Thunder Brigade have been deployed to Europe and the Horn of Africa. Soldiers from 1st Battalion, 41st Field Artillery Regiment participated in Exercise Anaconda 16 in Poland and Fire Support teams from 1st Battalion, 9th Field Artillery Regiment have been training in Djibouti in support of Eastern Accord. Marne Thunder continues to aggressively attack every mission that they are given.

The 3rd Combat Aviation Brigade also had a busy start to the summer. In May, they executed Falcon Focus, a home station culminating-training event focused on training the aviation brigade staff and the ability of an aviation brigade to respond and engage with a near-peer-hybrid threat. The complex training consisted of a combination of real and simulated training, which created an original and valuable exercise. After a short pause from the field, Soldiers from the 4th Battalion, 3rd Aviation Regiment took to the skies while taking part in a dual-door gunnery range on Fort Stewart June 22, enabling the brigade to continue to be one of the most lethal, flexible and agile units in the 3rd Infantry Division.

The Providers of 3rd Sustainment Brigade have remained focused on readiness this summer while supporting all of the division's sustainment needs. The brigade recently conducted an emergency deployment readiness exercise during which all Defense CBRN Response Force and Global Response Force units rehearsed their deployment sequence. This exercise ensured that the Providers are ready to deploy when they get the call. The brigade also supported 3rd Combat Aviation Brigade’s Falcon Focus training in May. They distributed over 30,000 gallons of fuel and drove over 4,000 miles to deliver supplies across the battlefield. The Providers were essential to the success of the exercise.

Your 3rd Infantry Division remains ready and able to execute whatever the nation calls us to do. As always, I ask you to remember all of our Soldiers currently deployed and the incredible sacrifices Soldiers and their Families make in defense of our freedom. I also ask that we continue to honor all Gold Star Families and their service members who made the ultimate sacrifice. Please keep them in your thoughts and prayers.

Rock of the Marne! Army Strong!

James E. Rainey, Major General
U.S. Army, Commanding
This has been a busy time for all of our members due to the Society elections. Thanks to all of you who participated by completing and sending in your ballots. Your efforts are very much appreciated, and you are to be commended for your support of and interest in our excellent Society.

The new president has said that he will retain me as Watch editor. I am pleased to continue as your editor and in my new position as vice president of the Central Region. In both capacities, I will support the Society president and all of our members. My main aim is to build more camaraderie within our Society, and I need your help to do that. Increased camaraderie will translate into a growing membership. I have pledged to contact members by phone on a regular basis—especially those who are “shut in.” I hope all of you will do the same. Another way to build camaraderie is for our members to send me their stories of events that happened to them during their service with the 3rd. Also interesting is how some of us believe our service impacted the rest of our lives. I realize that not all impacts of this nature are positive, but very many are positive and some have helped us be successful in our post military careers. Our readership likes such stories and they trigger memories that they have of their time in service and after.

This issue of the Watch is again full of required articles: the results of the elections, the Constitution and By-laws results, the Executive Committee Actions results, the 2016-2017 Budget, and our report on the Scholarship Foundation recipients. The scholarship recipients will be featured in a program distributed at the annual reunion in Harrisburg and also displayed on our Foundation website at www.3dscholarshipfoundation.org. This year’s recipients are an exceptionally good group. I hope to publish one of their essays in the October issue of the Watch. I believe it would be interesting for our members to see the quality of the entries we receive and realize that with several such excellent entries, the job of judging is very difficult. We commend our directors who are also our judges: Jeff Danby, Earl Killen, Tom Maines, and James Reeves. We thank them for their efforts toward making our program successful.

The follow-up to the announcement of the C&BL results is the necessity to update and distribute the document and also to update the S.O.P. These are massive jobs, and I hope that Joe Ball takes them back in 2016-2017. Joe was our C&BL Chair for several years. Nobody knows those documents like Joe does. I still have to look up that I am correct. Joe just knows them by memory.

This issue does not have a book review; however, Bruce Munkin and Ron Greenwood found an article on “Buddy,” the first seeing-eye dog in America. It is an excellent summary of the book by the same name. I hope you enjoy the story as much as I did in researching it and compiling the entry.

There is also an excellent article about Audie Murphy and his M-1 Carbine by Keith Schmidt. Be sure to read it. Part One appears in this issue of the Watch; Part Two will be included in the October issue.

I hope by now, everyone has visited our new website. Our website team is doing a wonderful job and articles are being added weekly. The address of the site is www.society3rdid.org. We also have a Facebook page that I am administering (Society 3id). Be sure to visit it, and if you have something you would like posted, send it to me via e-mail.

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Murphy grew up dirt poor in hardscrabble Hunt County, Texas. He learned to hunt small game with an old .22 at an early age and that helped him feed his mother and siblings after his father deserted the family.

When WW II came, he enlisted in the army after being rejected by the Marine Corp. Audie stood about 5'5" and only tipped the scale at 120 pounds or so at the time. However, dynamite also comes in small packages. The Army wanted to make him a cook, but he insisted on combat arms.

A psychologist would find young Murphy an interesting case. He left school after the fifth grade to pick cotton in a struggle to keep his family together. The death of his mother was a severe blow and some of his siblings went to an orphanage. In the Army, he found an extended family that he soon grew to love. But as far as Audie’s anger management, it was an issue he just couldn’t control, particularly when German infantry tried to kill his buddies....or him.

There’s magic in a rifle that works to defeat an enemy or kill big game....some chemistry of familiarity, trust and intangibles that bond shooter to machine...the reason that so many name a rifle. It’s not just sentiment, but a relationship based on past performance, expectations and an emotional need for a tool to influence one’s future. Murphy shared that bond with his Lucky Carbine during the war.

Going through basic training at Camp Wolters, outside Mineral Springs, Texas, he only qualified Marksman with the Springfield 03 rifle. The recoil gave him a series of bloody noses because he was too light to control the recoil. “It kept kicking me in the face,” he said, “and I barely qualified with it.” He also fainted while drilling under the hot Texas summer sun. But he endured.

While he used many weapons during his two years in combat (BAR, BMG, Garand, Grenades, Thompson SMG, 1911 Pistol, MG42, Luger and other German weapons), he seemed to rely on his carbine most often when having the luxury of choice. Perhaps no better source of information of the carbine’s value exists than in Murphy’s own words in his autobiography.

“My combat experience has taught me the value of a split second. Before the Germans can regain their balance, I kill them both with a carbine.” “Within a moment I am involved in a duel with a German who climbs upon a cannon to get the advantage of elevation. I see him as he lowers his rifle upon me and whip up my carbine. He fires. The bullet kicks dust in my face as my carbine goes off. Frantically I try to blink the dirt from my eyes, knowing the German will not likely miss again. It is only a few seconds, perhaps, but it seems much longer before I can see. The krait is sprawled in front of the gun. Later I discover that my lucky shot got him in the heart.”

“Grasping the carbine in my left hand and a grenade in my right, I step suddenly from behind the rock. The Germans spot me instantly. The gunner spins the tip of his weapon toward me. But the barrel catches in a limb, and the burst whizzes to my right. I lob the grenade and grab the carbine trigger with one movement. Before the grenade has time to burst, two krauts fall with carbine slugs in their bellies. I quickly lob two more grenades into the position; four of the eight Germans are killed; three are put out of action by wounds...I squeeze the trigger. The helmet jumps. The man falls as if struck in the head with a club.”

“Wonder if I could get a carbine. I don’t like an M1 (Garand Rifle) for this woods fighting.”

“There is a rustle. My eyes snap forward. The branches of a bush move. I drop to one knee. We see each other simultaneously. His face is as black as a rotting corpse; and his cold eyes are filled with evil. As he frantically reaches for the safety of his rifle; I fire twice. He crashes backwards. I throw two hand grenades to take care of any companions lurking in the area.” After coming off the line after this incident, he writes: “At headquarters I make my report. Then I go to the room that serves as a kitchen, take my carbine apart, and start cleaning it.”

“Crack! It is like being struck with a ball bat. The ricocheting bullet digs a channel through my hip and knocks me flat...I raise my carbine and with my right hand fire pistol-fashion. The bullet spatters between the German’s eyes. It was his brain or nothing. He would not have missed a second time.”

In Germany, after being wounded and just before being evacuated, he gives his carbine to a friend named Barker “to whom my Lucky Carbine was not much good,” as he was killed that night in action along with most of Murphy’s platoon.

Wounded three times, awarded more than 30 medals and killing well over 200 German soldiers in two years of combat, Murphy was a model soldier. His fellow soldiers in the Third Infantry Division said he possessed instinctive reaction, an understanding of terrain and how the enemy might use it. He also possessed fast reflexes and outstanding infantry small arms skill.

His skills and dedication to duty earned him a battlefield commission as a second lieutenant and he became platoon leader.

What earned him his Medal of Honor, and by all rights should have been his last stand, happened in Germany where he single-handedly held off a German advance in force. Lieutenant Murphy ordered his men to retreat while he held the position and effectively called in artillery fire. He began using his M1 Carbine on the advancing Germans at about 200 yards and continued until he ran out of ammunition. He moved to an abandoned, burning T10 tank destroyer that was about to blow and took advantage of its undamaged, top mounted .50 caliber machine gun to decimate flankling enemy infantry. Wounded in the leg, he fires the .50 until running out of ammo and continues to call in artillery fire almost on top of his position.

Some said a higher force looked out for him, others say the smoke from the burning tank destroyer obscured his firing position. Still others simply called him: “a fugitive from the law of averages.”

I think he sums up his combat experience best in an Esquire article published in 1983 by Thomas B. Morgan who interviewed Murphy in 1967.

“You become an effective soldier when you get over fear and use your training and you try to think ahead. It’s a game of chance for a while, but after two or three fire fights, you begin to improve your odds by taking advantage of the terrain and your weapons. You get more polished. Your attitude changes. You get a more professional outlook...You become decisive. That’s important, because indecision kills people in war more often than anything else.”
Carbine Performance: Lt. Col. John George also held the carbine in high regard. He served as a junior officer in the 132 Infantry Regiment of the 23rd Infantry “America” Division at Guadalcanal and later joined Merrill’s Marauders in Burma. He writes about a variety of American and Japanese weapons in his excellent Shots Fired in Anger. Although the carbine entered the war too late for Guadalcanal, the author became very familiar with it in Burma:

“The carbine turned out to be an ace weapon of this war, as far as I am concerned. It was light and handy, powerful, and reasonably accurate. If I had to make my own in hostile jungle, traveling with the lightest possible kit where I should be likely to encounter enemies at any time, the carbine is the weapon I should choose…the carbine had the effect of putting a good offensive-defensive weapon in the hands of the leader and gun crew member, thereby making him the near-equal of an M1 rifleman. The cartridge was powerful enough to penetrate several thicknesses of helmet, and to perforate the plates of the Japanese bullet proof vests, which would only be dented by .45 auto slugs. It was flat shooting enough to have practical accuracy at more than two hundred yards.”

But not all soldiers of the era liked the carbine. I met Fletcher W. Harris, Jr., from Galveston, Texas, at an NRA Training Counselor’s workshop near Houston years before his death in 2009. Fletcher served as a 2nd Lt. in the 29th Infantry Division and walked across Omaha Beach of Normandy, France, towards the Germans two days after D-Day. He subsequently engaged in fierce fighting to liberate St. Lo. The Army awarded him the Bronze Star, Purple Heart and a variety of other medals.

“I was moving from a landing craft across Omaha Beach,” said Harris. “I had one of the puny M1 Carbines they issued officers slung on my shoulder. I was very familiar with both the carbine and rifle from training. As soon as I came across an M1 Garand Rifle lying in the Normandy sand, I picked it up, made sure it was serviceable, grabbed a bandoleer of rifle ammo lying nearby and stuck that carbine barrel first into the sand. I walked on not looking back. That’s how much I thought of the carbine.”

Fletcher much preferred the M1 Garand Rifle since first introduced to it in Army training, but admitted he didn’t give the little carbine much of a chance to prove itself. On July 11, 1944, he lost his right hand to a German hand grenade and was subsequently transported back to the United States where he underwent rehabilitation, returned to Galveston, his boyhood home, and went on to become a two-term city councilman and emergency operations director for the city. Fletcher was not one to let his war wound stand in his way. He was an avid handgun shooter, competitor and also served as a reserve police officer.

Philip B. Sharpe, who served as a Captain in Army Ordnance during World War II with service in Europe evaluated the carbine in his comprehensive The Rifle in America. “Hundreds of ex-service men have verified this – the carbine cartridge does not have sufficient power to properly kill game. It has no future in the sporting field as a hunting weapon. On the other hand, an enemy soldier with a .30 carbine hole in him can bleed to death. He needs attention. A wounded soldier is a problem in the military. A dead soldier is of no importance – but a wounded soldier must receive immediate attention. Many soldiers in the medical departments of various armies were occupied with the problem of caring for injured men. This carbine killed many an enemy, but it injured many more. It served its purpose as a military weapon – but it is not a hunting weapon.”

Part Two is continued in the October Watch on the Rhine.

Portrait Unveiled of Korean War Hero

By Ryan Severance, Pueblo Chieftain

While the country was busy celebrating America’s independence, Puebloans got the chance to meet and honor an American hero who was awarded the Medal of Honor for his heroic actions in the Korean War.

A Portrait of Valor was unveiled at the Center for American Values for Hiroshi “Hershey” Miyamura, 3rd Div. H/7th, OP88. The portrait, which was created by Denver photographer Nick Del Calzo, will hang in the center’s main gallery alongside other Portraits of Valor of Medal of Honor recipients that line its walls.

A crowd of 100-plus people packed the center to meet Miyamura and hear him speak Monday afternoon just before Rollin’ on the Riverwalk – Pueblo’s Fourth of July party and fireworks show — got underway.

Miyamura joined the U.S. Army in January 1945 and was discharged from the active Army shortly after Japan surrendered. He was recalled in 1950 following the start of the Korean War.

According to a biography provided by the center, on April 24, 1951, during an enemy attack near the Imjin River in North Korea, Miyamura unhersitely jumped from his shelter and engaged in hand-hand-hand combat, killing 10 enemies. He then returned to his machine gun and kept firing until his ammunition ran out. He ordered his men to fall back as he stayed behind, covering his men until they got to a more secure location.

Despite sustaining painful wounds, Miyamura single-handedly repelled the attack until his position was overrun, the biography states. Miyamura was later captured and spent 28 months in a Communist prison camp. After his release, he came home to find he had been awarded the Medal of Honor, which was presented to him on Oct. 27, 1953.

When he found out he was being given the Medal of Honor, he said all that he could think to say was, ‘what?’

Miyamura spoke after his portrait was unveiled, telling tales about his experiences in the Korean War and showing his gratitude for the portrait and being asked to come to the center.

“Thank you to each and every one of you for coming out today and all involved for putting this together,” Miyamura said.
Dale McGraw wrote: “I received the Watch yesterday (June 3)—a good one. Thanks for all the hard work you do.”

Larry Kinard wrote: “Thanks for all you two do for us. You do a great job.”

Ronald McCleary wrote: “Sorry to learn of the passing of my old Company Commander Russel F. Frazer on Memorial Day. How fitting for such a good man, I am so glad that I had the pleasure of serving under him. The photo was taken at Fort Sill. Keep up the good work with the Watch, Yours in the 3rd, Ron.”

Regis Rocco wrote, after seeing an article out of Ft. Stewart about our Bradley tanks back in the Baltic, and Central and Southeastern Europe, wrote: ‘Ah, good old "Graf," as we used to refer to Grafenwohr. I spent a lot of time there during my tour in Europe. Graf is where NATO forces went for firing exercise for their artillery units. Actually, we were told that armies had been coming to that area for more than a hundred years for firing exercises. The winters were brutally cold and the summers oppressively hot with mosquitos so large that some were multi-engine! Lots of great memories and some not so great.”

Chris Timmers wrote: “I don’t have any input from members of OP3 to date, so I propose a monthly or quarterly column for each Outpost: Memories of early 3d ID membership. These memories could include remembrances of early enlisted life in one of the Division’s far flung battalions, or thoughts about Germany, where so many of the 3d ID’s battalions served. Or strange or even humoresque experiences back in the States at Ft Benning or Ft Stewart. Strange stuff, I admit, but our members may get a kick out of it. What do you think? Chris Timmers, OP3 Columbia, SC.” [Chris’s suggestions are good. Please send me any of the information suggested above. I will be happy to receive it. We have some materials such as Chris suggests in this issue.]

John Insani spoke with me via telephone and offered nice compliments about our Watch on the Rhine. Thanks John.

Bob Barfield told this story after reading an article in Greybeards entitled “Moon Beams.” While with the 3rd Div. on Boomerang summer of 1953 I was assigned to take several men and go on a recon patrol in no man’s land. It was unusual but I had to return to the line through another Co. I was in "F" Co. 7th Regt and I had to return through "G" Co. that was on our left on line. Then company commander Lt. Ricardo Cardenas told me I would have (3) different check points in the valley and to call him after arriving at each point on my Walkie Talkie. Long before I took the patrol out at dusk I had to study the terrain that My patrol would traverse before I returned to the line at "G" Co. Everything was fine until I got to where my 3rd check point was, it was lit up like a Christmas tree! I thought, holy s—it’s! I’ve got lost and taken my patrol God knows where. I had the patrol hit the ground and I had to call the old Man breaking radio silence. I told him that my 3rd check point was lit up like daylight. He said Okay, out. A couple of minutes later the "Moon Beam" lifted and pointed up into the clouds! Talk about relief, I was at the right place, not lost and my men were safe! The Moonbeam was shining right over the top of a hill that I had to cross to get into "G" Co. listening post. Thank God I did not screw up and endanger my patrol! You can imagine what would have happened had I missed the place I was to return to on our side. A ball of a lot of responsibility for a guy still 18 years old! It was reported that Chinese had been spotted in the area, the reason for the recon. I knew the Moon beams were powerful but was surprised to read how powerful they were.

Joe Anello wrote: On the 4th of July, we attended the unveiling of Hershey’s induction and unveiling of his photo at the Center for American Values in Pueblo, CO. Here is the link to the video. http://www.americanvaluescenter.org/?page_id=13557

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in this country to give all those here who want it a chance at a
new life."

Dorothy Eustis called Frank in February 1928 and asked if he
was willing to come to Switzerland. "Mrs. Eustis, to get my
independence back, I'd go to hell." She accepted the challenge
and trained two dogs, leaving it to Frank to decide which was the
more suitable. Morris came to Switzerland to work with the dogs,
both female German Shepherds. He chose one named "Kiss" but,
feeling that no 20-year-old man should have a dog named Kiss,
he called her "Buddy."

Man and dog stepped off the ship in 1928 to a throng of
reporters. There were flash bulbs, shouted questions, and the din
to traffic and honking horns that can only be New York City, but
Buddy never wavered. At the end of the day Eustis received a
single word telegram: "Success." Frank was set on the path that
became his life's mission: to get seeing-eye dogs accepted all
over the country.

Frank and Eustis established the first guide dog training
school in the US in Nashville, on January 29, 1929. Frank was
true to his word, becoming a tireless advocate of public accessi-
bility for the blind and their guide dogs. In 1928, he was routine-
ly told that Buddy couldn't ride in the passenger compartment
with him. Seven years later, all railroads in the United States had
adopted policies allowing guide dogs to remain with their owners
while onboard. By 1956, every state in the Union had passed
laws guaranteeing access to public spaces for blind people and
their dogs.

Frank told a New York Times interviewer in 1936 that he had
probably logged 50,000 miles with Buddy, by foot, train, subway,
bus, and boat. He was constantly meeting with people, including
two Presidents and over 300 ophthalmologists, demonstrating the
life-changing qualities of owning a guide dog.

Buddy's health was failing in the end, but the team had one
more hurdle to cross. One more barrier to break. Frank wanted to
fly in a commercial airplane with his guide dog, which they did
in 1938, flying from Chicago to Newark. United Air Lines was
the first to adopt the policy, granting "all seeing-eye dogs the
privilege of riding with their masters in the cabins of any of our
regularly scheduled planes."

Buddy was all business during the day, but to the end of her
life, she liked to end her work day with a roll on the floor with
Mr. Frank. She died seven days after that plane trip, but she had
already made her mark.

By this time there were 250 seeing-eye dogs working across
the country, and their number was growing fast. Buddy's replace-
ment was also called "Buddy," as was every seeing-eye dog
Frank ever owned, until his passing in 1980.

Today, it is estimated that there are 10,000 seeing-eye
dogs currently working in the United States.

—Submitted by Bruce Monkman and Ron Greenwood

Chaplain's Corner

Dear Fellow Veterans, Active Duty Soldiers
and Families,

All of our family was together for the 4th
of July. We had a nice picnic with games.
Across the road the parade was about to start so
away we went to watch. It was a great parade
with a lot of military marching by. I hope everyone
had a great 4th, with great weather. We had
a great time, but that makes me think of our Soldiers
who are not with their families.

I know how they feel because I had the same feeling being
away for two years in France, but that was Peace time. It was not
what our 3rd ID is going through today over in Europe having to
stay on their base and never knowing what will happen next.
May our good Lord keep all of them safe. I offer a special prayer
for our Soldiers in the Afghanistan and Iraq war, whom our
Commander-in-Chief said would be home two years ago; my
dear Lord, please keep them safe. May the Lord protect all of
them. If you know any man or woman whose spouse is serving
with the Active Duty, do give them your support. Prayers always
help. This prayer is for all of you. It comes from Edna
Massimilla:

Yellow ribbons everywhere
Yellow ribbons show I care
For our soldiers over seas
We ask the Lord to bless them please
To walk beside them all the way
And bring them safely back we pray
And let all violence finally cease
Through God's grace may we have peace
Still we be clinging to the cross
Lord fill our minds with streams of love
Let thy light shine from above
May all leaders guide the way
Lord hear our prayers as we display
Yellow ribbons everywhere
Yellow ribbons show we care.

Prayers from your Chaplain, Jerry Daddato, ROTM

Results of C&BL Voting

By Lynn Ball, C&BL Chair

The results of voting on C&BL Ballots published in the June Watch
on the Rhine follow. In accordance with the Society Constitution and
By-laws, a 2/3 vote of approval (67%) is required for passage of each
proposed submission. The overall approval total was 92%. Ballot passage
ranged from a low of 81% to a high of 100%. All proposed changes
passed. To be ultra-fair, I deducted the items that were skipped or not
voted upon. While these were not disapprovals, by default they became
disapprovals when deducted from the total of approvals. We thank
everyone who voted in this important election. The Constitution and
By-laws was updated with the changes approved by our membership
and made available on our Society website at www.society3rdid.org.
On June 23rd, The Scholarship Board of Directors sent out all letters to this year’s applicants and sent checks in the amount of $1000.00 each to the recipients’ student accounts at the universities they specified. There were eight recipients; again this year, we received many more entries than we could serve. Since the applications were all quite good, it was very difficult for our judges to determine the best-of-the best. Our judges this year were Earl Killen, Jeff Danby, Thomas Maines, and James Reeves. We thank them for their hard and faithful work. Those candidates who did not receive grants this year were encouraged to apply next year, and we will provide some guidance for improving their submissions if requested to do so.

Everyone of the recipients below demonstrated excellent community service and academic ability. All were on various honor rolls and all demonstrated leadership ability. The 2016 recipients’ photos and profiles follow, in alphabetical order, and these are on our website at www.3isdscf.org

Austin C. Blanchard, of Lilburn, Georgia, received the “Col. and Mrs. Terrence A. Smith Award in Honor of the 184th Infantry (Air Assault), OIF 2005-2006, a Valorous Unit.” Austin’s sponsor was his maternal grandfather, Robert C. Barfield: Company F, 7th Infantry, Korea, 1953. Austin is pursuing a degree in Business Administration at Georgia College and State University. His essay, “National Pride,” gives examples: Saluting the American Flag, our rallying after 9/11, and the 2010 “Restoring Honor Rally” at the Lincoln Memorial. Austin talks about his trip to Washington DC with parents on his 16th birthday, about camping out at the Memorial, about Bruce, a man they met and accompanied during the trip. Bruce loves America and talked about his service to our country. Austin heard speakers who sparked patriotism, and he includes quotes by Alveda King and Sarah Palin. He lists the heroic individuals who received Purple Heart Medals and the reasons for the awards. He observed his parents’ reactions to the events with pride. He returns to the present and his efforts to imitate Christ in his efforts to serve his community and his pride as a volunteer firefighter. He ends summarizing his love of country—our freedom of religion, right to bear arms, freedom of occupation, and right to control our lives. He wants to demonstrate what an American should look like in word and deed.

Haley R. Blanchard, of Lilburn, Georgia, received the Foundation’s “Award in Honor and Memory of 3rd Infantry Division Soldiers for Their Meritorious Services in the Evacuation of Military and Civilian Refugees from Hungnam, North Korea, December 1950.” Her sponsor was her maternal grandfather, Robert C. Barfield: Company F, 7th Infantry, Korea, 1953. Haley is pursuing a degree at the University of Georgia in the hope of becoming a speech pathologist. Her “My Grandfather, My Hero”: Defines “hero.” Haley talks about the actions of her grandfather, Robert Barfield, during the Korean War battle of Boomerang. She explains Barfield’s rescue of the runner sent for help and of Major Lewis Hotelling’s account of Barfield’s bravery. Haley includes an excerpt from Hotelling’s account of Barfield’s faithfulness and true humility. Now, at 18 years of age, she will vote for the candidate who will strengthen the military. “Because of my grandfather, I want to live my life as a testimony to my thankfulness for my personal freedom and unalienable Rights to Life, Liberty, and the pursuit of Happiness.”

Westley P. Brooks, of Ft. Stewart, Georgia, received the Foundation’s “Award in Honor and Memory of SFC Ralph E. ‘Rick’ Richenbacher.” Westley was sponsored by his father, Winston P. Brooks, active duty with the 3rd Infantry Division: 1st Brigade Combat Team (Ft. Stewart), previously 3rd Brigade Combat Team, Fort Benning (1998-2001). Westley is pursuing a degree in nursing at the University of Alabama. His essay, “The True Respect for America: I am an American,” is a powerful statement. Many people come to America with the intention of achieving the ability to make that statement and know that the greatest country on Earth stands behind them. A small price to pay for this invaluable citizenship is Patriotism. Patriotism should be automatic, because Americans are free to do and say what they like without fear of repercussions from the government. As a military child, Westley knows what it means to proudly serve one’s country. “My father has been deployed for almost half of my life.” That is a sad statement. Soldiers like my father, my neighbors, and my friends’ parents are all people that average citizens should admire. They don’t get to live everyday lives like the rest of the people in this country. These soldiers risk their lives every day and are the reason why people continue to be blessed with all the many great freedoms this country offers. Fewer than 1% of Americans serve in the U.S. Armed Forces so we should all strive to be patriotic. The documents on which our freedoms are founded provide our freedoms and our Soldiers protect those freedoms. America’s founders created a government to protect people because of their
selfless thoughts, actions, and patriotism. Today, that patriotism benefits all of us. He describes ways to show patriotism and concludes with “Freedom isn’t free.” “We owe it to those who paid the ultimate price for our freedoms to show patriotism to this great nation. God Bless the United States of America.”

Sedona Bulle, of Seligman, Arizona, received the Foundation’s “Legacy Award in Honor of Major General Maurice W. Kendall.” She was sponsored by her father, Shawn M. Bulle, 3rd ID, Bamberg, Germany (1989-1990: 3rd Infantry Division, A/76FA). Sedona, enrolled in ROTC, is pursuing a degree at Northern Arizona University. Her plans include becoming an officer in the Air Force. She is studying Chinese in the hope of becoming a translator. Her essay, “America the Free,” tells of the people who have fled to America for hundreds of years. The American Dream has promised people freedom, liberty, opportunities, and equality. “I’m honored to be an American. We have rights others do not have, especially in areas of personal freedom, protection of rights and career opportunities.” Several decades ago, her great-grandpa fled to America to be safe and free from the Austrian Empire. Then she mentions the freedoms we have and that her ability to vote carries responsibility—her voice matters. She talks about her founding fathers and their intentions and talks about her freedoms that allow her to choose her studies in forestry and Chinese. Despite America’s humble beginnings it has grown into a nation that other countries emulate and look up to. It is a land laden with opportunity. She concludes with, “I look forward to taking my place as a contributing member of society. I am free, and I am willing to protect everything we stand for. I am an American and I’m proud of it.”

Kaylee McGraw-Wright, of Cheney, Washington, received the Foundation’s “Legacy Award in Honor and Memory of Thomas W. Mason.” Kaylee’s sponsor is her great grandfather, Dale McGraw, 9th Field Artillery, Korea. Kaylee is pursuing a degree in science and nursing at Eastern Washington University. Her essay, “Patriotism,” defines patriotism and observes that it increases in times of tragedy such as wars and terrorist attacks. She discusses various examples of displaying patriotism. She believes an act of patriotism must accomplish something such as donating money to the Army. She thinks that people who go through the motions of displaying patriotism (singing our National Anthem and reciting the Pledge of Allegiance) don’t really know why they are doing either. She discusses the origins and evolutions of both the Anthem and the Pledge. She believes acts of patriotism are the same in various countries. Patriots in America and other countries fight for freedom: freedom of speech, freedom of the press, freedom of religion.

Matthew “Alec” Roach, of Roanoke, Virginia, received the Foundation’s “Award Honoring the Active Duty Soldiers of the 3rd Infantry Division.” His sponsor is his paternal grandfather, Paul M. Roach, G/15th Regt, Korea. Alec is pursuing a degree in English and philosophy at Virginia Military Institute. His essay, “Loyalty” opens with his status as a junior at VMI and the grandson of a 3rd Infantry Division Veteran, Alec has recently received his commission in the U. S. Army. He explains his earlier understanding of “loyalty” and how his definition has evolved to include loyalty to brother “rats” (a term used for classmen at VMI), to the Institute, and to the nation. He details the rat line—six long months of training to teach the incoming class the basics of being a cadet at VMI. This routine develops the kind of loyalty that means you would do anything legal and honorable for a fellow rat. He talks about the death of a classmate during physical training and how the cadets dealt with it. Then he discusses how loyalty to VMI develops. Finally, he discusses the deep development of loyalty to our nation. He states: “I have come to understand that unlike patriotism or nationalism, which are ideologies, Loyalty is a clear action. Whether to my fellow rats, the institution or the nation, I am finding that my sense of loyalty is evolving and expanding and will be fundamental in my future success as an Army officer.”

Ryan Rosen, of Fullerton, California, received the “Scholarship Foundation Memorial Award in Honor and Memory of SFC Nick Ramba.” His sponsor is his paternal grandfather, Morris S. Rosen, 39th FA HQ Bty, World War II. Ryan is pursuing a degree in civil engineering at Le Tourneau University. His essay, “The Importance of Preserving National Identity in the Modern World,” begins with references to A Kid from Pittsburgh—the story of his grandfather’s experiences during WWII. It follows the path of Allies through Europe on the Western Front and talks about relationships of freedom in Europe, Asia, and America then, now, and in the future. “The evils of Nazi Germany are not exclusive to Hitler.” Ryan mentions Father Patrick Desbois’ and the French organization, “Together as One.” Desbois sees a comparison of Nazi activities to ISIS—“not the same ideology, but behind, it’s the same disease.” Europe is flooded with refugees. Europeans must act vigilantly to preserve their Western ideology. The trend is that
Europeans will lose identity leaving America as the sole torch-bearer of liberty in the world. We must come together to avoid European decay and weakness, focus on the pillars on which our nation was built. (He is referring to the pillars engraved on our penny.) We must remember, believe, and practice liberty (“E Pluribus Unum” and “In God We trust.”). The instability in this election year makes it difficult to remember our national identity. Though political differences are deep schisms, the penny continually tells us to become one. We have liberty as Americans and must trust in God to make the future of the United States even more promising than its rich history. Patriotism is more important now than ever. We must fight for freedom, stop and expose evil in the world, and open the gates that blinded the world to the sins of ISIS. We must protect our American ideology from foreign and domestic threats to avoid an outcome like modern Europe is experiencing. “Remembering the pillars engraved on the penny, we can launch ourselves forward into a positive future. That’s what my grandfather and all of the other soldiers in World War II fought for.”

Hannah Yaeger, of Swampscott, Massachusetts, received the “Scholarship Award in Honor and Memory of Karen Carew Wold.” Her sponsor is her maternal grandfather, Charles M. Lamlein, Korea 1957-53, Sgr, 3rd Div Signal Company. Hannah is pursuing a degree in ecology at Susquehanna University. Her essay, “Service: for Our Town, Our Country, and the World,” claims the same principles as service personnel. Giving back to community is important. Parents and grandparents have demonstrated this through their actions; their efforts have inspired Hannah to become a museum educator in an urban setting. As a family they volunteered with their church and community. Through the Girl Scouts, Hannah volunteered at urban shelters and centers for underserved people. She also, planted flowers for churches and cleaned beaches. Hannah discusses her Girl Scout Gold Award and its requirements. She talks about recycling and the Ronald McDonald House charity. “I will continue to serve both locally and globally for as long as I’m able. I believe service is the key to a well-rounded and fulfilled life.”

Our directors and staff want to thank everyone who donated to the Scholarship Foundation. You have made the program not only possible but also a success. A list of current donors follows. Our Directors are grateful for your help.

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**Looking for...**

Michael Atkinson is trying to find more information on his wife’s uncle who was killed January 1945 in Colmar France. His name is Paul Dee Bouman. I would like to talk to anyone who may have met him during the war. If you knew Paul, please call me at 317-809-3217, or send an e-mail to atkrptplor@hotmail.com. My mailing address is 14710 Rosebud Drive, Noblesville, IN 46060.

Robert Hill would like any info regarding his uncle: PFC Salvatore J. Lunetta. Lunetta was killed in action on 30 October 1944, and is buried at Epinal American Cemetery. If you knew Salvatore Lunetta, please contact Robert at his e-mail address (funjon6225@ att.net) or his phone number: (209) 478-8631.

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**Army Division Association**

The A.D.A. is an association composed of 15 Army Division Associations with a membership of nearly 120,000. The annual meeting for 2016 was held May 12-15 in Charleston, West Virginia. The hotel, tours, banquet, and annual meeting were well planned and enjoyed by all attendees. The meeting on May 13th covered finances, scholarship plans, joint reunions, advertising, membership fund raising, and future meeting sites. The Society Public Relations Chair could not attend due to a scheduling conflict. Eastern Region Committeeeman Williamson represented the Society but was unable to send a report. The meeting dates and site for 2017 are May 4-7 at Chula Vista Resort in Wisconsin. It is thought that the 2018 meeting will be in Virginia Beach, Virginia, May 6-9.

Submitted by Ron Ward. A.D.A.
Society Officers for 2016-2018

Society President: 1st Sgt. Toby P. Knight in our new Society President Elect. His term will extend from his swearing in at the reunion in 2016 until the reunion in 2018. We want to thank everyone who voted for Toby during our recent election of the president of the Society. Toby served in Iraq with the 3rd Infantry Division and is currently on Active Duty, stationed at Joint Base San Antonio (Fort Sam Houston). Toby has served the Central Region as Vice President of the Society for the past two years. He comes to us with a great deal of experience and is ready to meet the challenges of this office with the same effort always extended by our 3rd Infantry Division Soldiers. One of Toby’s plans is to develop programs to bring revenue and members into the Society. Last year, he developed and administered the Society Challenge Coin Program which provided donations for over 400 coins. The Coin Program is still underway. To learn more about Toby, see his bio on page 27 of the June Watch on the Rhine. Please welcome Toby and extend to him your support and well wishes.

Eastern Region Vice President: Dave Pope will fill this office during the upcoming term. Dave has served the Society as Eastern Region Vice President for the past two years. We are very fortunate to have Dave in this position. His past experience is very valuable. To learn more about Dave, see his brief biography on page 27 of the June Watch on the Rhine.

Central Region Vice President: Lynn Ball will fill the office of Central Region Vice President during the upcoming term. She has served for the past two years as Constitution and By-laws Chair. This has provided the opportunity to know and understand the workings of the Society. Lynn will continue to serve in her positions as Editor of the Watch on the Rhine and as Chairman of the Society of the 3rd Infantry Division Scholarship Foundation. Her bio is also in the June Watch on the Rhine.

Voting on Executive Committee Actions

Member voting on the Executive Committee Actions for the past year was held during the month of June. Ballots were included in the June Watch and were returned to C&H. Chair Lynn Ball by June 30, 2016. A total of 141 ballots were received. The ballots each contained nine Executive Committee Actions for a possible vote total of 1,269 votes. Five voters did not mark all actions, resulting in a total of 1,264 votes cast. All Executive Committee Actions were approved. The approval rates on all actions averaged 95.8%.

Memorial Day at Ft. Stewart

The 3rd Infantry Division held Memorial Day services on Fort Stewart to honor the Soldiers, Sailors, Airmen, Marines and Coastguardsmen, who made the ultimate sacrifice on behalf of our country. MG James E. Rainey was the keynote speaker. He thanked the community on behalf of all the soldiers and families under his command for their genuine support each and every day. He welcomed the Gold Star families who attended and pledged “anything you ever need, we will always be here for you and that’s a responsibility I don’t take lightly.” MG Rainey offered numerous ways we could remember and honor our fallen but two stood out over all the others. First he pledged to “use the memory of those fallen men and women to drive the way we (the division) train and prepare to keep America free with a passion that I hope will make them proud as they look down on the way our soldiers are getting after their business.” He concluded by saying “and please thank God that they (our fallen) lived, because without them there wouldn’t be a United States of America.”

MG Rainey, CSM Tagalicud and the division leadership also attend Memorial Day services held by veteran organizations throughout the surrounding communities.

Friends of Sledgehammer Association

Due to Army downsizing, 3ABCT, 3ID, inactivated on 15 April 2016. In the year leading up to the inactivation, the friends of Sledgehammer Brigade led a grass-roots effort to build a permanent memorial for fallen Sledgehammer Soldiers at the National Infantry Museum, Fort Benning, Georgia. The memorial was built and dedicated on 14 April 2016, at a cost of $45,000. However, we still have an outstanding balance of $10,000. In order to pay for the remaining costs, we are selling an 11 X 22 special edition commemorative print by Jody Harmon for $50.00. Each print comes with a personal autograph by Jody Harmon, a serial number, and each print will be registered. Order now while prints last. Frame not included. 100% of the proceeds will help pay for the 3BDE memorial located at the National Infantry Museum.

I thank you for your consideration of this matter. The 3rd Brigade, 3rd Infantry Memorial will be a lasting tribute to the fallen Soldiers of Sledgehammer Brigade.

Please contact one of the following to obtain a Registration Form and any desired information: the President alvin.benjamin@gmail.com or 912-432-6423; or the Treasurer at 706-505-8212 or marsha.j.brooks3@gmail.com. Mail orders to P.O. Box 53931, Fort Benning GA 31905-5900.

—Words by Alvin Benjamin, President

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My thanks to all of the members that participated in the voting process.

—John Weis, Secretary-Treasurer
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Prior to the meeting, held at Alexander’s Steakhouse in Joliet, Illinois, members and guests introduced themselves upon arrival. In attendance were John Spratt, Charles Stonis, Bill Byrnes, Mary Fran Collier, Carl Qualeatti, Gerry Manley, Richard Longfellow, John Keller, Tina Keller, and Beth and Phillip Quarnstrom.

The meeting started at 11:20 AM with the members reciting the Pledge of Allegiance. Everyone introduced themselves once again and stated their time in service and how they are connected to the 3rd Infantry Division.

OP #7 again upheld the tradition of recognizing our MARNE Veterans in an impressive wreath laying ceremony at the Tomb of the Unknowns in Arlington National Cemetery on May 30th, Memorial Day. As hundreds of tourists looked on, our small group led by our OP President, Pat Williamson, first met at the 3rd Infantry Division Monument before proceeding to the Tomb. Then, our small memorial group was led by the Sergeant of the Guard down the steps leading to the Tomb, and we placed a colorful wreath at the Tomb as a bugler from the Army Band played Taps. After the formal ceremony, our group was thanked by many of the onlookers for their service.

The absence of many of our loyal members, who normally attend our ceremonies, was noted with regret. In view of the numerous organizations seeking to place wreaths at the Tomb, we did have some difficulty in getting a time for our ceremony which resulted in a last minute scheduling change. However, planning ahead, our next meeting is scheduled for Veterans Day Nov 11, 2016, when we are once again scheduled to conduct a wreath laying ceremony at the Tomb of the Unknowns at 3:15 PM. Also we have received advance approval for a wreath laying ceremony at the Tomb for Memorial Day May 29, 2017, at 3:15 PM. Please post and save those two dates and plan to arrive 30 minutes early for meetings at the 3rd Infantry Division Monument. Any and all Marne veterans who are in the area are more than welcome to join us.

Submitted by John L. Insani.
On 14 May 2016, Outpost #13 held its spring meeting at Baker's of Milford. Twenty-nine members and guests were in attendance, including four World War II veterans.

Outpost #13 members gather at Bakers of Milford.

The meeting started with an explanation of the symbols of the state flag of Michigan by Vice President Gordon Draper. This was followed by reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Michigan flag and then to the United States Flag.

President Richard Faulkner reported on his progress in obtaining the Korean Ambassador for Peace Medal which is issued by the South Korean government to participants in the Korean War. Dick sent out applications to 23 of our members he felt were eligible and fifteen were returned. He had hoped to have the medals in hand by the May meeting but that didn't happen. He has promised, however, that the awards "will happen." Rather than waiting for the fall gathering, he hopes to have a special presentation ceremony sometime this summer.

L-R: Jesse Sparkman celebrates his 90th birthday with cake presented by Richard Faulkner.

Dick then informed the members that the town of Milford conducted a Memorial Day parade. Joe Salvia, one of the organizers, presented one of his Veteran Recognition Medals to each who participated. The parade began at 10:00 AM.

Secretary/Treasurer Amy McKenna sent a report stating that our chapter now has 75 members and a treasury balance of $1173.00. Amy recommended that the outpost purchase some National Society raffle tickets in addition to the ones bought by individual members. A motion to buy two books for $40.00 was passed unanimously by the group. The group also approved spending up to $150 for Memorial Day bouquets of flowers to be placed at our monuments at the Great Lakes and Fort Custer Cemeteries.

Quartermaster Jeff Norrup displayed the military insignia he had available. He also made a plea for some recognition for the veterans of the Cold War. No service ribbons have ever been issued nor are they eligible for membership in organizations such as the VFW.

The 50/50 drawing was held with prizes of $20, $15, and a golf shirt.

A moment of silence was observed in memory of Terry Tennant, our long-time secretary/treasurer, who recently passed away.

A special cake was then displayed in honor of Jesse Sparkman's 90th birthday, and we sang a rousing chorus of "Happy Birthday to You." After finishing a wonderful lunch and the birthday cake, members posed for a group picture.

Dick adjourned the meeting at 2:08 PM. Special thanks are given to Kathleen Johnson for taking very complete minutes of the meeting. The next meetings of the Outpost will be held at Baker's at noon on 8 October 2016, 13 May 2017, and 14 October 2017.

Submitted by Gordon W. Draper, Vice President

Outpost #15 will meet on Veterans Day to participate in the Phoenix Veterans Day Parade. The last two years, OP15 has won awards for our entry (Jeep Wrangler decorated with 3rd ID and U.S. military parade ready flags and decals). We look forward to having outpost members (and significant others and friends) join us for this satisfying and fun event! Potluck and OP meeting at Curtis Gentry's following the parade. Parade information will be mailed as it becomes available.

Submitted by Curtis Gentry, Secretary-Treasurer

Outpost #18 Secretary Bob Meganck said, "Outpost #18 is a very active outpost." Every year on the first Sunday of June at 11:00 AM, the Wisconsin Korean War Veterans Memorial at the Village of Polver, has a ceremony honoring all Korean War Veterans. Wisconsin had 132,000 of her sons and daughters serve in the Korean War, of which 801 were killed in action. All were honored at the ceremony.

This year's program was attended by Outpost #18 President Bill Vanark and Secretary Bob Meganck.
The main speaker was Deputy Counsel General Jae-Woong, Representative of Korea War Consulate from Chicago. General Woong thanked all Korea Veterans for helping make South Korea the great nation it is today. [We thank Bob for this story, and we thank Bob and Bill for their attendance at this important event.]

—Submitted by Bob Meganack, Secretary

Outpost #22 will hold its Annual Meeting, on Saturday, November 12, 2016 (1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.), at the Flabob Airport, 4130 Mennies Ave., Riverside CA 92509. Please sign in at 12:30 p.m. (in front of the Travis Gammill Hanger, under the wing of the DC-3). The meeting will be followed at 2:00 p.m. by the “Parade of Veteran Heroes” down the main runway. You are invited to ride in the parade on one of the floats to be saluted. Free admission and parking. No pets or weapons are allowed.

The airports’ Open House and Fly-in will be from 10:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., and will feature over 100 vintage and acrobatic airplanes, aerial dog fights by WW II aircraft, with military and civilian planes lined up on the tarmac. A replica of the Wright Flier will be featured in the airport museum, and live musical entertainment will be featured on three stages. The military style mess tent will feature SOS and SPAM favorites as well as traditional hamburgers, Freedom Hot Dogs, sandwiches, and pancake and egg breakfasts. A static steam engine is also on display. The Classic Rod and Custom Show will display over 130 vehicles. The MC will introduce a variety of quality entertainment: "Fibber McGhee and Molly" comedy sketches, a George S. Patton speaker, an "I'm Proud to Be an American" soloist, and jazz bands: The Dick Suway Swing Band, the U.C. Riverside Marching Band, and the U.C.R. Pipe and Drum Corps. Please attend this quality Veteran Day celebration, and our annual outpost meeting, and be saluted for your military service.

—Submitted by Ron Greenwood, Secretary-Treasurer

We had our OP meeting on June 3rd at the Olive Garden Restaurant in Colorado Springs, Colorado. A lot of good food, camaraderie and everyone had a good time. Among other things discussed, was the upcoming election, and all of the members were in favor of voting for their favorite candidate.

Our new Member, Carmel Solano, brought his wife, brother-in-law Mike Feltz and his wife, Jessica. Mike's dad served with the 3rd ID and was KIA in Europe during WWII. Our outstanding Secretary, Bill Buntrock, had to leave before the photo. He is still a working man.

—Submitted by Joe Anello
The 3rd Infantry Division held Memorial Day services on Fort Stewart to honor the Soldiers, Sailors, Airmen, Marines, and Coastguardsmen who made the ultimate sacrifice on behalf of our country. MG James E. Rainey was the keynote speaker. He thanked the community on behalf of all the soldiers and families under his command for their genuine support each and every day. He welcomed the Gold Star families who attended and pledged “anything you ever need, we will always be here for you, and that’s a responsibility I don’t take lightly.” MG Rainey offered numerous ways we could remember and honor our fallen but two stood out over all the others. First he pledged to “use the memory of those fallen men and women to drive the way we (the Division) train and prepare to keep America free with a passion that I hope will make them proud as they look down on the way our Soldiers are getting after their business.” He concluded by saying “and please thank God that they (our fallen) lived, because without them there wouldn’t be a United States of America.

MG Rainey, CSM Tagalicud, and the Division leadership also attended Memorial Day services held by veterans’ organizations throughout the surrounding communities.

—Submitted by Jeff Ashmen, President

On 4 May Society Member Mayor Heinz Schaden of Salzburg hosted Robert Dutil and other members of Outpost International, including Dr. Bernhard Oswald, at a reception in the magnificent Mirabell Palace in Salzburg. The City of Salzburg has hosted veterans and the outpost since it inaugurated its commemorative plaque in Salzburg in 2010. Mayor Schaden remains a great supporter of the outpost’s efforts to continue WWII commemorations in Europe.

On 5 May OP International conducted the 72nd anniversary commemoration of the liberation of the Obersalzberg at the memorial tablet behind the Kempinski Hotel on the Obersalzberg above Berchtesgaden, Germany. WWII veteran of the 7th Infantry Regiment, Robert Dutil, once again reenacted the flag raising originally conducted 5 May 1945. The outpost also paid tribute to Major General Lloyd B. Ramsey, who passed away in February and who played such a major role in the liberation of the Obersalzberg.

On 8 June outpost president Monika Stoy and outpost secretary/historian Tim Stoy delivered a two-hour presentation on the 3d Infantry Division in the Korean War to the Republic of Korea Army’s 3rd Armored Brigade in Hongchon, Korea. This was done in conjunction with the observance of the Republic of Korea’s Memorial Day. Included were a brigade review for US and Korean veterans of the Korean War, a luncheon, and the dedication of a commemorative plaque and three fir trees honoring the 3rd Infantry Division and its Korean compatriots. This is the first commemorative plaque the outpost has dedicated in the Republic of Korea.

On 20 June the outpost placed a wreath at the Tomb of the Unknowns in Arlington National Cemetery with Venerable Abbot Shimsan Sunim of Hongbeopsa Buddhist Temple in Dusan. The Stoys and the Abbot were joined in the wreath ceremony by Colonel John Insani, longtime Society member and OP #7 leader. Venerable Abbot Shimsan and his congregation at Hongbeopsa Temple have hosted U.S. Korean War veterans and family members for revisits the past four years. In recognition of his efforts to honor U.S. Korean War veterans and the fallen, Venerable Abbot Shimsan was nominated for the National Infantry Association’s St. Maurice Award by Tim Stoy. The award was presented at a ceremony in front of the 3rd Infantry Division Monument in Arlington National Cemetery.

—Submitted by Tim Stoy, Secretary-Treasurer

Marne Plaque Dedication Hongchon Korea 8 June with COL Shin.

St Maurice Award ceremony with Venerable Abbot Shimsan Sunim 20 June 2016
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Thursday September 22nd
2:00pm Registration and Hospitality Room Opens
6:00pm-7:00pm ~ No Host Social Hour ~ 7:00pm-10:00pm President’s Reception Dinner and Program

Friday September 23rd
9:00am-5:00pm ~ Optional Gettysburg National Park Tour
6:00pm-9:00pm ~ 15th Regimental Dinner Buffet

Saturday September 24th
8:30am-10:30am ~ General Membership Meeting
9:00am-11:00am ~ Ladies Brunch and Program
10:30am-12:00pm ~ Executive Committee Meeting
12:00pm-3:00pm ~ Optional Hershey Chocolate Tour
6:00pm-7:00pm ~ No Host Social Hour ~ 7:00pm-10:00pm ~ Reunion Banquet, Program, and Awards

Sunday September 25th
8:00am-10:00am ~ Memorial Breakfast and Reunion Farewell

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Optional Tours

Gettysburg National Park Tour

Friday September 23rd
9:00am ~ 5:00pm
Price $55.00
We will arrive at Gettysburg visitor center and watch the movie "A New Birth of Freedom" narrated by Morgan Freeman, and featuring the voices of Sam Waterston and Marcia Gay Harden, the film "A New Birth of Freedom" places the monumental events of the Battle of Gettysburg into the larger context of the Civil War and American history. After the movie you will learn about Gettysburg and a Divided Nation at War in the Gettysburg Museum of the American Civil War. The museum offers visitors an experience that tells the story of the Battle of Gettysburg and its significance to our nation’s history. Lunch will be on your own at the visitor center café. Next we will take a guided tour of the Gettysburg Battlefield with a Licensed Battlefield Guide who will give you a unique perspective of the battle fought at Gettysburg. Monuments to both Union and Confederate troops are visible on the battlefield. Gettysburg National Military Park preserves one of the world’s largest collections of outdoor sculptures. Nearly 1,400 statues, sculptures, markers and tablets commemorate the men who fought at Gettysburg.

Hershey Chocolate World Tour & Tasting

Saturday September 24th
12:00pm-3:00pm
Price $33.00
See, feel, hear and smell the delicious transformation from bean to Hershey's famous chocolate on the Hershey World Chocolate tour. After viewing the factory, there will be time for lunch on your own at the food court on site. Then you can immerse yourself in the flavorful world of chocolate in Hershey’s tasting experience. Hershey tasting experts show you how to engage all senses to taste chocolates from milk to dark and varieties in between.

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COME JOIN US AS WE SHARE OLD MEMORIES AND MAKE NEW ONES!
News from France

Compiled from information by Jocelyne Papelard

Some months ago, Joe and Lynn Ball sent two Society Challenge Coins to Jocelyne Papelard, our member in France, who does so much for our Soldiers buried at Epinal American Cemetery. One coin was for Jocelyne to honor her work with the Adopt a Grave Program and her many efforts in support of activities at Epinal—including last year’s Christmas candles placed at every grave in Epinal. The second coin was for Aaron, the little French boy who loves our American Flag and flies it in his backyard every day. Jocelyne arranged for the coin to be presented to Aaron by the Superintendent of Epinal American Cemetery at a Memorial Day gathering following the formal ceremonies of the day. Certainly, Aaron is pleased to own our Society Coin. Jocelyne said, “Aaron is so special to everyone. I have never seen such devotion for our flag, our Soldiers’ graves, and patriotism coming from such a little boy.” We posted a story about Aaron on our Society Facebook page and got many messages of approval. One said, “We can all take a lesson from Aaron.” Aaron and Lea, the little French girl we have mentioned in earlier stories, laid the association wreath, in the colors of the Purple Heart, on Memorial Day.

Aaron had occasion to visit and salute the grave of Medal of Honor Recipient LTC Robert C. Cole. He wore a red hat and tie to honor Cole’s birthplace, Texas. On the same day, Aaron flew the Texas flag in honor of Cole. In the background of the photo there is a structure that resembles a playhouse. Aaron calls it his “Superintendent’s Office.” In it he has many flags which he flies for special occasions, but his daily routine is to fly the American Flag. In another photo, he has brought flowers to the grave of CPL Weldon Richey. Aaron is a splendid and mature young man, and we were proud to present the coin to him. As you can see, he is quite proud to have his coin.

Jocelyne explained, “At the Memorial Day ceremonies were two daughters of Soldiers buried at Epinal, Jean Kimbriel, the daughter of Pvt. Ernest Obert, came from Bakersfield, California. Obert was killed at the Colman Pocket while serving with the 28th Infantry Division. Jean Kimbriel, now 82 years old, was just 10 when her father embarked for France. This was the first time she came to visit her dad’s grave. She said she did it because she knew her father’s grave was adopted and the Alsatian family who adopted it invited her; she said she felt she could, after all these years, feel free to speak about the war and her dad. The Alsatian family took good care of Jean and she now knows she has a family in France. Before her dad was shipped over to Europe (he was one of the last married men and fathers to be called to duty) the family got together for a last dinner. Her dad was in uniform and everyone was asking him to give them a salute. Her father declined all requests.

When it was time for the goodbyes, Jean accompanied her dad to the door. When they were alone, he kissed her and held her in his arms, but before he could step out, she said, “DAD won’t you give me a salute?” Her dad snapped at attention and gave her the best military salute ever. It was the last time Jean ever saw her dad.

The second daughter is Jo Ann Rowman-Morrisey. The association, US Memory Grand est France, paid for Jo Ann’s plane ticket and a week’s stay in France so she could come to see her father’s grave. It was an emotional moment when Jo Ann faced her father’s grave. Another very special and moving moment was when she visited the place where her dad was KIA. This visit was made possible thanks to our excellent guides, Philippe Sugg and Gérard Louis, who know the Parroy Forest like the palms of their hands. It was very overwhelming. I had read in the excellent AWON book that the dream of her life was to visit her dad’s grave, but she did not have the means so we made her dream come true. Jo Ann was 3 years old when her dad, 2nd Lt. Theodore Rowman left Nashua, New Hampshire. He

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**CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS**

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**September 7, 2016:** The next meeting of Outpost #4 will be at the Washington State Veterans Home in Spokane, Washington.

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**September, 15-18:** 6th Army Group in France, Germany, and Austria Historical Seminar and Commemorative Ceremony (Honoring veterans of Operation Dragoon, fighting in the Vosges, the Battle of the Colmar Pocket, the campaign in Germany, and the final liberation of Salzburg, Austria) Hosted by OP 5845 in Arlington, VA. POC: Monika Stoy.

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**September 22-25, 2016:** Society of the 3rd Infantry Division 97th Reunion in Harrisburg/Gettysburg, Pennsylvania.

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**September 28, 2016:** Outpost #1 will meet at Coopers Corner, 27 W 150 Roosevelt Road, Winfield, IL 60190. Following the meeting, members will travel to Cantigny Park in Wheaton, Illinois to tour the 1st Infantry Museum. For lunch reservations, please contact Richard Longfellow: 815-973-0201 or dlongfellow1776@gmail.com or contact John Spratt: 224-430-1174 or jpspratt@gmail.com.

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**October 8, 2016:** Outpost #13 will meet at Bakers of Milford at noon. The restaurant is on Milford Road three miles north of Exit 155 of I-96.

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**October 9, 2016:** Outpost #18 will meet at 10:30 AM at The Five Pillars Supper Club, Hwy 57 & Cty Truck Hwy. K. in Random Lake, Wisconsin. This meeting will not interfere with the Packers’ schedule.

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**October 14, 2016:** Outpost #13 will meet at Baker’s of Milford at noon. The restaurant is on Milford Road three miles north of Exit 155 of I-96.

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**November 11, 2016:** Outpost #7 will conduct Veterans’ Day wreath-laying ceremonies at the Tomb of the Unknowns, Arlington National Cemetery, at 3:15 PM. Members will meet at the 3rd Infantry Division Monument 30 minutes earlier for our meeting there. Members are urged to attend. For more information, contact Dennis M. Barletta (denisbarletta@gmail.com) or Pat Williamson (army3rdivtanker@gmail.com).

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**November 11, 2016:** Outpost #15 will hold its next meeting in conjunction with its participation in the Phoenix Day Veterans Parade. A potluck luncheon and outgoing meeting will be at Curtis Gentry’s home, following the parade.

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**November 12, 2016:** Outpost #22 will hold its fall meeting from 1:00 to 2:00 PM in front of his hanger, under the wing of his DC-3 airplane. This is the date of the Airport’s Veteran’s Day Open House “Fly-In.” Please see the “Outpost News” article or contact Ron Greenwood for more details.

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**November 11, 2016:** (tentative). Outpost Harry members and guests will meet on Veterans Day, when a 30-foot Carillon monument will be dedicated at the Miramar National Cemetery in San Diego. This $300,000 memorial is funded by the Bob Baker Family Foundation. Bob is a member of the Survivors of Outpost Harry. All are welcome, and if you plan to attend please call me to confirm the date: Doug Jones: 360-466-1945.

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**May 13, 2017:** Outpost #13 will meet at Bakers of Milford at noon. The restaurant is on Milford Road three miles north of Exit 155 of I-96.

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**May 29, 2017:** Outpost #7 will conduct Memorial Day ceremonies at Arlington National Cemetery. Members will meet at the 3rd Infantry Division Monument at 3:15 PM, for our wreath-laying ceremony. Members are urged to attend. For more information, contact Dennis M. Barletta (denisbarletta@gmail.com) or Pat Williamson (army3rdivtanker@gmail.com).

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**September 21-24, 2017:** Society of the 3rd Infantry Division 98th Reunion in San Antonio, Texas.

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**October 14, 2017:** Outpost #13 will meet at Bakers of Milford at noon. The restaurant is on Milford Road three miles north of Exit 155 of I-96.

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**November 2017** is the 100th Anniversary of the 3rd Infantry Division. There will be many activities at Fort Stewart. More to come.

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Audie Murphy Day in Farmersville, Texas, was a huge success. As always, the event is to honor Audie Murphy and all Veterans and Active Duty Soldiers for their service. Hundreds of Veterans and guests from many areas attended the event which began at 7:30 AM with sign-in/registration, exhibits of military memorabilia, merchandise sales, and breakfast at the First Baptist Church. Cooking for the event was the church’s “Men’s Cook Team,” led by Scott Walker. Throughout the two-hour breakfast and social gathering, the “American Heritage Girls” assisted with serving and the “Trail Life” boys cleaned up and brought coffee and water to guests. The food was exceptionally good and the service was great. At the breakfast, we met three members of the Fort Hood Sergeant Audie Murphy Club. The Sergeant Audie Murphy Club was founded at the church.

At 10:00 AM everyone gathered for the annual parade which began with a flyover by the Commemorative Air Force. Included were the BT-15 “Little Noodle,” Stearman “Ready for Duty,” L-5 “Miss Ziggie,” and the Ghostship Huey 197 helicopter. Actually, two Vietnam era helicopters were airborne over the parade route and one Huey landed for display and inspection where it remained for two hours so those interested could have a close-up look. In October 2015, the original crew of the Huey was reunited with their ghostship for a reunion.

The parade is always very interesting and amazing. This year, there were 90+ entries ranging from antique vehicles of many descriptions to several groups of equestrians parading on fine looking horses. Although it was rather warm, even at 10:00 AM, many Veterans road on floats in the parade and were cheered and saluted by the onlookers. Jim Foy did his usual excellent job of emceeing the parade, offering much detail about each entry from his perch in the speakers’ pavilion.

Following the parade, everyone met at the huge Onion Shed pavilion. Colors were posted by a local ROTC group, The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Eagle Scout Austin Kemp, Troop 310, and the National Anthem was sung by First United Methodist Church Choir Director Nancy Wiser. Mike O’Day, VFW Post 7416 explained the significance of the “Missing Man” table. All Veterans in attendance were recognized by name and area of Service. Mayor Diane Piwko welcomed everyone to the 17th annual “Audie Murphy Day,” and proclaimed June 18, 2016 as “Audie Murphy Day in Farmersville, Texas.” Annually, this event focuses on a historical remembrance of Audie Murphy. The speaker, Patrick Duffy Hudson, held to this theme as he spoke on the human side of Audie Murphy. “Murphy was a hero, but if you asked him, he would say, “No” He wasn’t a hero, he would say “My buddy over there, he was a hero.” Duffy added, “He was very modest…He was a servant, a servant to freedom.”

The Farmersville Quilt Guild provided “Quilts of Valor” for three veterans: Wayne Spraggins, 93, the oldest veteran in attendance, and Richard Maddox and Barbara Norby who were chosen in a drawing open to veterans. Following the events at the Onion Shed, Veterans and guests returned to the First Baptist Church for a wonderful lunch provided by area volunteers and supported by many local businesses.
Two Generals at Odds

By Bob Barfield

Dear Editor, as an addendum to my story about Boomerang, I'd like to tell you about two Generals: General Westmoreland of the 187th RCT and General Barriger then commander of the 2nd Division who was on the cover of the July issue of Military magazine. First, a little about myself:

In the winter of 1952, I served with the 187th RCT in Beppu Japan. I decided that it would take me forever to acquire 36 points to rotate home so I asked for a transfer to "any unit on the front lines." Part of my transfer read, "I feel the army as well as myself will benefit, especially if I'm used in a front line division." I had previously served in 1952 on line with the 5th RCT. I received my transfer and was sent to the 3rd Infantry Division which was on "Boomerang" at that time.

Shortly after our battle for Boomerang 6/14-1553, our outfit, "F" Co. 7th Regt. 3rd Division was pulled off line. About a week later, I was called into my CO's bunker (we were in a blocking position then) and was told that the 187th had returned to Korea from Japan and were asking all their ex-paratroopers who were in other outfits to return to the 187th. We, men from the 187th, were told in Japan that if we returned to Korea we would have no doubt be making a combat jump. If that happened I wanted to be a part of the jump so I volunteered to return and on July 3rd 1953 was back on line again as regular Infantry (no combat jump). My wife years later said she thought I had a "death wish."

I believe the 187th was close to Boomerang and we were placed on hill 624. The following is taken from the book 187th The Steel Berets 2nd edition. The paratroopers went into operation astride Route 3, the bowling alley, leading to Seoul. Assigned to the 2nd Division's flank, they moved alongside a Korean outfit. Westmoreland placed the Rakkasans (Japanese name for Paratrooper) 2nd Battalion on Hill 624, which covered the entire Corp front, looking down on routes east and west dominating the potential invasion corridor through the valley.

The commander of the 2nd Division was MG William Barriger, a surname which Westmoreland, to the General's annoyance, insisted on mispronouncing "Barriger." Relations between the two were not ideal. The 187th had not been dug in on Hill 624 for long when Barriger reacted to a Chinese push by ordering Westmoreland to pull back.

Gen. Westmoreland wrote about this order to withdraw in his book A Soldier Reports. "When a Chinese Communist attack drove a salient into the lines of two adjacent units, it left my combat team holding a critical shoulder of the salient. In the middle of a black, rain soaked night, the 2nd Division Commander, Maj. General William L. Barriger telephoned to direct me to withdraw one of my battalions from the hill that I considered a key to my entire defensive position. "I objected. I had been to the hill that afternoon. I informed Gen. Barriger that the troops were well dug in and fully capable of holding. [Further, I did not] consider it advisable to move without reconnaissance into a new position in the middle of such a night and the proposed move would expose my own headquarters, which would also have to be moved. Yet, Gen. Barriger was adamant. When I insisted that I deemed the move ill-advised he became irate and issued what he called a 'direct order,' to withdraw the troops immediately. It was such a grave mistake, I believed, that I again asked him to reconsider. When he threatened to relieve me, I had no choice but to obey, but I made it clear that I followed the orders under protest. Under miserable conditions, the 2nd Battalion commander, Maj. Fredrick J. Krosen, later to serve as a general officer in Vietnam and as vice chief of staff of the Army, executed a withdrawal that only experienced troops could have accomplished."

My company was part of the battalion that had to withdraw. What pure hell that night was! It was raining like hell. We were ordered to take everything we could carry and get the hell off the line. We marched to the rear, every step I took I could feel water squish out of my boots. We finally got to where we were ordered to stop, dig in for the rest of the night, put up some guards and sack out. I was so tired that night that I actually fell asleep walking. I met one other man years later who was part of that withdrawal; he also said he fell asleep walking.

I was so tired that night that I actually fell asleep walking. I met one other man years later who was part of that withdrawal; he also said he fell asleep walking. Years later I asked Professor, Author and Historian John McManus if he had ever heard of someone falling asleep while walking in combat. He said "he most certainly heard of it before and during WWII. I have to tell at least one more thing that no doubt will seem unbelievable though it's fact.

After I got my squad situated for the night, I leaned against a tree, cupped a cigarette to protect it from the rain and started to smoke. Don't know how much longer but it felt like something was biting me in the groin. I had fallen asleep against the tree and my cigarette actually caught my pants of fire. I had a red circle glowing in my crotch which I had to extinguish. It's hard to believe but so help me it's true. The Chinese did not hit the line in our area that night as expected, Thank God! Less than two weeks later, just a few days before the end of hostility's my rotation papers came through! I had to go back to Japan to rotate home. I spent my last year in the Army with the 82nd Airborne, Ft. Bragg, N.C. I stayed out of the Army for 10 months and joined the Navy for four years.

If by chance anyone still alive was part of this action that I have described by all means let's talk. Bob Barfield, ex 5th RCT, summer 1952; ex 3rd Inf. Div. & ex 187th AIFCT summer 1953. 12022 Deer Path Way, Orlando, FL 32832; rnj187@yahoo.com, 407-384-5940.
In Memoriam

We no longer list the addresses of our deceased members. This is being done to curtail predators and people who victimize our members’ survivors with schemes. If you need an address of one of the following, you can find it in your Roster or you can contact the editor, Lynn Ball. Contact information is on page 2 of the Watch.

LIFE MEMBERS

LEROY E. BUNDERS, 15INF/A/C, KOREA, 1LT DOD - May 1, 2015, Reported by Tom Heitzer/Bunder’s nephew, Greg Johnson

ROBERT E. COULTAS, 7INF/WW2, CPT DOD - February 23, 2016, Reported on the Internet

ERNEST G. DE MARZI, 10FA/B, KOREA, SFC DOD - June 28, 2015, Reported on the Internet

MARINUS FLUX, 30INF/HQ, USAF, WW2/45-47, 54-85, UP 63-WR BGEN DOD - April 8, 2014, Reported on the Internet

GENE M. FRICE, 517th Parachute Regt Combat Team, COL DOD - August 9, 2014, Reported on the Internet

GERARD F. LANG, 15INF/KOREA/52-54, PFC DOD - April 23, 2014, Reported on the Internet

ARNOLD H. MAHLICH, DIV/MED/C/WW2, PVT DOD - February 3, 2003, Reported on the Internet

CARROLL W. MC MECHAN, 4INF/F, PT DOD - October 29, 2000, Reported by his family

EDDIE PRESTON, DIV/AIR, 3PO, PT DOD - March 15, 2015, Reported on the Internet

EMANUEL N. STRANO, 7INF/2BN HQ, SFC, KOREA DOD - May 14, 2015, Reported by USPS

FRANK J. STUIBER, 7INF/F, SFC, KOREA DOD - April 28, 2016, Reported by Phyllis A. Verhaalen

GEORGE F. WELCH, 30INF/A, PVT, WW2 DOD - August 13, 2015 Reported by returned Dues card

ANNUAL MEMBERS

ROLAND J. ARNDT, 7INF/M, SSGT, WW2 DOD - March 21, 2016 Reported by Deborah Arndt

KENNETH P. MILLER, 69ARM/1D & 68ARM/ SGT, CW NDN - April 27, 2016, Reported by his wife, Conrinne

JAMES J. O’DONNELL, 15INF/G, SGT, KOREA/Dec52-53 DOD - May 15, 2016 Reported by his wife, Grace

LOREN A. RENZ, 15INF/2BN/F, SGT, KOREA/Oct50-Jul52 DOD - November 4, 2015 Reported on the Internet

JAMES S. ROBERTS, 7INF/1BD, SP4, CW/60-62 DOD - October 29, 2015 Reported by his wife, Marsha

MICHAEL E. WELLS, DIV/HQ/CONARC, 11AD/SIG/BN/C, SP5, CW/67-70 DOD - May 2016, Former Member, Reported by Lew Pergament

DAVID B. WILLIAMS, 100TH TRANS CO-APO139, 35th Trans BN, PFC, CW/Dec58-May61 DOD - March 15, 2016 Report by returned dues card

WILLIAM E. WILSON JR., 2/4INF, 3rd Div, PFC CW DOD - August 6, 2015 Reported by John Shirley

Non-Members’ Passing

Robert I ‘Bob’ Beam, 89, passed away at the Holidaysburg Veterans Home (Pennsylvania) on February 15, 2016. He served with Company B, 7th Infantry Regiment, during WWII. Following his time in service, he was a tool and die maker for General Motors. —Reported by Hon McCleary.


Ronald F. Fraser, Col USA Ret (55), a veteran of WW II, Korea, and Vietnam passed away on Memorial Day, May 30 2016, while undergoing rehab at his winter home in Florida. Ron received numerous decorations including the Silver Star. He served in Italy during WW II and in Korea with the 7th Infantry Regiment as CO of Co D and later as CO of the Heavy Mortar Co. Burial will be at Arlington National Cemetery at a later date. —Reported by John L. Insani

Michael E. Wells (68), of Millerton NY, passed away in May 2016. SP5 Wells, a Cold War Veteran, served with DIV/HQ/CONARC 11AD/SIG/BN/C (1967-1970) —Reported by Lew Pergament.

Missing Man Table

Recently posted on Facebook by Bill Callen was this photo of a “Missing Man Table” displayed at a Chick-Fil-A. It includes a single rose, a Bible and a folded American flag, as well as a plaque within which was the following explanation: “This table is reserved to honor our missing comrades in arms. The tablecloth is white — symbolizing the purity of their motives when answering the call of duty. The single red rose, displayed in a vase, reminds us of the life of each of the missing and their loved ones and friends of these Americans who keep the faith, awaiting answers. The vase is tied with a red ribbon, a symbol of our continued determination to account for our missing. A pinch of salt symbolizes the tears endured by those missing and their families who seek answers. The Bible represents the strength gained through faith to sustain those lost from our country, founded as one nation under God. The glass is inverted — to symbolize their inability to share this evening’s toast. The chair is empty — they are missing.”

Missing Man table at Chic-Fil-A.
Members, I had several conversations with MG Rainey and CSM Tagalicud regarding building membership, the grand opening of our new museum, and the Division’s 100th birthday. I also spoke with our Society President Joe Ball who suggested I send you this letter. Please review and feel free to provide comments to myself or the group as a whole if you like.

Building Membership—the CG and Division CSM are very interested in helping us build membership. We are all concerned with the steep lifetime membership fee, especially when looking at what other division’s charge. A lifetime membership for the active duty of the 82nd is $82.00, the 4th ID has lifetime membership for all at $125.00, the 1st CAV is $10.00 lifetime, and the 101st is $101.00 lifetime and $111.00 with magazine. We are charging $400.00 for a young soldier, and the majority of our active duty force, who is under the age of 39.

I was told that the high cost was associated with the producing of our magazine. If that is truly the case, then why not consider an optional membership that gets it electronically—especially when that is how most of our young generation receive information today. We will likely not generate any lifetime membership (and its associated revenue) at the current rate of $400.00 from our active duty soldiers. I’m sure our Society Membership Chair can shed more light on how many Active Duty Soldiers have signed up for the Lifetime Membership over the past several years but I suspect it’s not many. We bounced around the idea of running a special $100.00 lifetime membership in conjunction with the Division’s 100th birthday. We could kick it off on the division’s 99th birthday (21 November, 2016), and run through the 100th birthday in 2017. We really want to see our membership grow but not sure that our existing fees will get it done.

Speaking of birthdays—our Division will turn 100 years old in 2017. This will be a big event for the Division and we are hopeful that many from the society will come out for what we know will be a spectacular week. I’d like to get the society organized behind the event. While the details have not been fully worked out, The Marne Outpost is ready to take the lead in working with Division to organize events. Marne Week, which is celebrated around the Division’s birthday, brings a great deal of events that we could tie into. The Division run, Twilight Tattoo, competitive events, equipment displays and the Division Ball are just a few. There will be a grand opening of the Division’s Museum in its new building with newly designed galleries. We’d also like to organize regimental events; maybe in the form of a picnic or dinner social during the week, and a veterans breakfast in the Mess Hall. We’ll definitely want to visit Warriors Walk to see the magnificent job that was done to replace the Eastern Redbud tree with the white-blooming Crape Myrtle. This list is sure to grow in time but I’m sure you won’t be disappointed. We have contacts with hotels in the area that would offer reasonable rates. We may even be able to get rooms on post. Either way, we’ll try to keep the cost down for those visiting. The Divisions 100th Birthday only comes around once and I’m sure it will be an event every Dog Face Soldier would not want to miss.

I certainly look forward to having a dialogue about the topics presented,

ROTM!

Jeff Ashmen, CSM (Retired)
Marne Outpost President

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Long Range Reconnaissance Patrol Detachment (LRRP)

By Mike McClintock

Daley Barracks, Bad Kissingen, W. Germany

This is an abbreviated history of the 3rd Infantry Division Long Range Reconnaissance Patrol Detachment (LRRP) during the period of its existence from 20 November 1961 to 14 August 1964. This history also includes reference to a predecessor unit, the provisional V Corps Long Range Patrol Co. established in October 1960.

The history of U.S. Army’s Long Range Recon Patrols in W. Germany evolved from NATO’s development of the concept in the late 1950s. This concept was influenced by the British Special Air Service’s (SAS) successful use of small, independently operating, deep reconnaissance patrols. Among the first such U.S. Army units to be activated in W. Germany was USAREUR’s (U.S. Army Europe) V Corps Long Range Patrol. This unit was initially a TDY unit comprised of highly motivated volunteers from various units of the 3rd Infantry Division and the 3rd Armored Division. The unit was organized in October 1960 for the specific purpose of providing Corps level long range intelligence from behind enemy lines. The upcoming Winterscheid II maneuvers were to provide both a test of the feasibility of the concept and to evaluate its effectiveness. The success of this unit in the Winterscheid II exercises led to the formal establishment of the V Corps (ABN) LRRP Co. at Wildflecken on 15 July 1961. This unit ultimately became Company A (Airborne Ranger), 75th Infantry.

The 3rd Infantry Division LRRP Detachment had its roots in the provisional V Corps LRRP Co. formed for the Winterscheid II operation and the Division’s Battle Group (Battalion) level LRRP units. Among these were LRRP detachments from the 2d BG, 4th Infantry and the 1st BG, 15th Infantry stationed at Wamer Kaserne in Bamberg. The members of these units formed the nucleus for the first division-level LRRP detachment in the U.S. Army, and, as with the British SAS, were all volunteers and were “returned to unit” if found unsuited for duty in a special operations environment.

The 3rd Infantry Division LRRP Detachment was formed on 20 November 1961 with I LT Edward M. Jentz as Detachment Commander. I LT Jentz was an Airborne Ranger from the 1st Battle Group, 30th Infantry in Schweinfurt. The Detachment’s Operations Officer was I LT John H. Peyton from the 3rd Infantry Division’s Security Platoon in Wurzburg. I LT Peyton was also an Airborne Ranger.

The unit’s First Sergeant was SFC Gerald M. “Mike” Tardif. SFC Tardif was also an Airborne Ranger who had served previously with the Canadian Army. The unit’s operations NCO was SSG Robert H. Schroeder. SSG Schroeder (“Red Dog”) was a master parachute officer and instructor at the Army’s Ranger School at Fort Benning for nine years prior to being sent to Germany. SSG Schroeder had jumped into Nijmegen, Holland with the 82d Airborne Division as part of Operation Market Garden, and had served in the Korean War. His experiences as both a combat veteran and as a Ranger instructor set very high standards for the unit. Other Airborne Rangers forming part of the initial detachment were SGTs Clifford N. Mize, Bobby Freeman, and SFC Bobby McMeans. SGT Mize was a hand-to-hand combat instructor from the Ranger School and was later killed in Vietnam. SFC McMeans had served with the 10th Mountain Division. SGT Freeman had also served with the provisional V Corps LRRP Co. and returned to that unit in 1962.

The 3rd Inf. Div. LRRP Detachment was based at Daley Barracks in the Northern Bavarian resort town of Bad Kissingen, approximately 60 miles east of Frankfurt and about 20 miles from the E. German border. It was attached to the 10th Engineer Battalion in Wurzburg for logistical and administrative support. The unit

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was killed in action in the Parroy Forest on October 15th while serving with the 106th Reconnaissance Cavalry Squadron supporting the 79th Infantry Division.

A few days after the Memorial Day ceremonies, Aaron’ dad, Aaron, and Karen (our webmaster, and I visited Margraten and two US American cemeteries in Belgium to see what they are doing as far as projects and adoptions of graves are concerned. That was the day Aaron wore his red hat and tie to visit Bob Cole’s grave.”
was originally billeted with troops of the 2d Squadron of the 14th Armored Cavalry Regiment. The Cav troops weren’t sure who these crazy “Lurps” were, who got up and ran several miles every day regardless of the weather, even in deep snow. The fact that the unit wore distinctive German Army camouflage uniforms and carried rucksacks instead of standard issue web gear only heightened the Cav’s interest. The unit also wore a distinctive, but unauthorized “Long Range Patrol” scroll on its headgear.

The Berlin Wall had gone up in August of 1961, and international tensions were quite high. It was a time of great danger between NATO and the Warsaw Pact, and everyone knew that if the Russians started World War III, the unit’s chances of survival were slim to none. Hence, everyone concentrated on learning everything they needed to know to enhance their chances of survival. As a result, the men’s confidence grew and they took pride in being a part of an elite unit. This pride was reflected in the detachment’s motto:

*May the fires of Hell forever crackle and smell with the meat and the bones of a thing called a man who says, “I can’t!”*

As a consequence of this *esprit de corps*, the unit was extremely cohesive, and in this regard would have been a good subject for a case study in small unit leadership, i.e., unit members were motivated to accomplish the mission because of positive, as opposed to negative stimuli. In other words, the men were motivated to get the job done with the highest degree of efficiency because they wanted to, not because they were coerced or forced.

The unit’s training reflected its mission: to act as the eyes and ears of the 3rd Infantry Division behind enemy lines and to observe enemy movements, pinpoint targets, and report back to Division Intelligence. In addition to its rigorous physical training program, the unit practiced patrolling (both day and night), map reading and land navigation, forward observer techniques, cover and concealment, explosives and demolitions, rock climbing and rappelling, escape and evasion, path finding and helicopter operations, hand-to-hand combat, CBR, first aid, and the recognition and identification of Soviet Bloc uniforms and equipment. The unit also underwent six weeks of intensive radio and Morse code (CW) training at the 123d Signal Battalion’s radio school in Wurzburg. During the course the detachment was taught how to operate CW (Morse code) on the AN/GRC-9, AN/GRC-41, and AN/GRC-26 radios. The students also learned defense against jamming, communications security, and field radio maintenance procedures. The men also learned how to set up the radios in the field and how to orient and string the “long wire” antenna.

At the height of its proficiency, the detachment lost Captain Jentz and 1LT Peyton to the 10th Special Forces Group in Bad Tolf. This was just before the detachment was scheduled to deploy on its first major field training exercise. SSG Bob Schroeder was the NCOIC of the detachment during this interim period and directed the unit’s deployment on the FTX. The exercise was a huge success, with the Lurps providing real-time intelligence on “enemy” troop movements and concentrations for the first time in the Division’s recent history.

The unit’s second commanding officer was 1LT Wilbur G. Bowersox. 1LT Bowersox was also an Airborne Ranger who was assigned to the unit in late-1962. During his tenure as CO, the detachment continued its rigorous training schedule and participated in numerous FTXs and war games, often playing the role of aggressors or guerrillas. Most of these missions involved helicopter insertions behind “enemy” lines with 3-4 man patrols.

These patrols typically consisted of a patrol leader, radio operator, asst. radio operator, and a scout observer. On a 3-man patrol, the patrol leader usually acted as the radio operator (as the assistant had to hand-crank the AN/GRC-9’s genera-

Although the 3rd Infantry Division LRRP Detachment never served in combat, it nonetheless trained hard, often in extreme weather conditions, and was arguably one of the finest units in the U.S. Army of its era.

“Lurps” on patrol.
some opportunities for LRRP actions, most notably along the E. German Border with the 14th AC. In June 1964, the detachment participated in a 100-mile march to Nijmegen, Holland, to commemorate the 20th anniversary of D-Day. The unit also led the Division in the Expert Infantry Badge (EIB) competition, with most of the detachment earning the coveted award. SGT Dalton Nall achieved the highest overall score in the Division, and was awarded a large trophy in addition to the EIB. SSG Don Rampanelli scored second highest in the Division and also received an award.

On August 14, 1964 the 3rd Infantry Division Long Range Recon Patrol was disbanded and its troops returned to their TO&E units. Several men offered to extend their tours for duty with the V Corps and VII Corps LRRP Companies, but were turned down by their TO&E unit commanders as being too valuable to be let go.

Although the 3rd Infantry Division LRRP Detachment never served in combat, it nonetheless trained hard, often in extreme weather conditions, and was arguably one of the finest units in the U.S. Army of its era. Even though it was disbanded over 52 years ago, the unit still exists today in the hearts and memories of the 100 or so men who served with it during its short existence. Among those memories is that of the unit’s disbandment party, which, even by LRRP standards, was one hell of a party!

In August 1997, twenty-six former members of the unit, along with wives and guests, attended the detachment’s first reunion in Columbus, Georgia. Ceremonies were held at the Ranger Memorial at Fort Benning to honor former LRRP/Ranger comrades who have made their last patrol. During a Friday evening banquet held at the historic Columbus Hilton Hotel, COL Ed Jentz (Ret.), LTC John H. Peyton (Ret.), CSM Mike Tardiff (Ret.) and MSG Robert H. Schroeder (Ret.) received awards from the detachment recognizing their commitment to the unit and honoring their leadership. After more than 50 years we still remember and revere these old warriors, and appreciate the sacrifices made by them and those who came after us, and who continue the LRRP/Ranger tradition today in the form of Long Range Surveillance Units or Detachments (LRSU/LRSD).

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* Chateau-Thierry & P. Benning Monuments, Ft. Stewart base*

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It’s not the price you pay to belong, it’s the price you paid to become eligible to join.
Outpost Harry

By Joe Ball

Peace talks between the U.N. Forces and the Communist armies had been moving agonizingly slow for over two years in early June 1953. Both sides were attempting to secure their positions pending the Armistice that most assuredly was near.

Outpost Harry was located in what is referred to as the “Iron Triangle,” 60 miles north of Seoul on a finger hill about 425 yards north of the U.N. main line of resistance.

The outpost consisted of trenches, fighting bunkers, a C.P., and an F.O. bunker. Supply and medical units were set up at the rear of the site. Outpost Harry was a relatively small outpost that could accommodate only one reinforced rifle company. The road to Seoul and the flank of the entire 8th Army could be in jeopardy if the strategic location of Outpost Harry was lost to the C.C.F.

The defense of Outpost Harry was assigned to the 15th Regiment of the battle tested 3rd Infantry Division. Other units soon joined the fight with the 10th engineer battalion improving fortifications during the daylight hours in preparation for the fighting that would continue every night from June 10th until the exhausted men of the 15th were relieved eight days later. Because of the terrain and losses, infantry companies were rotated each night.

Losses on the U.N. side were heavy. The 3rd medical battalion treated 917 casualties, completed 198 surgeries, and lost nearly one-half of their ambulances to enemy artillery fire.

The 5th R.C.T. and the Greek battalion joined the fight, participating in actions from June 11th through June 18th. U.S. losses are reported as 174 K.I.A. and 437 W.I.A. The 3rd medical battalion treated injured Soldiers of all participating units.

It is reported that the C.C.F. casualties numbered over 4,200 over the eight-day period.

The battle for Outpost Harry was, in many ways, a tribute to the fighting qualities of the United States Army. Days were spent on reinforcing defensive positions knowing “they” were “coming” every night. Much of the fighting was at close quarters using rifles, pistols, knives, and fists as the trenches and bunkers were overrun by the overwhelming force of numbers. It has been reported that there were at least two C.C.F. regiments committed to the attack on Outpost Harry.

The use of artillery and mortars were an important factor. Artillery and mortar concentrations had been marked days earlier. Forward observers could call in fire very quickly. 90,000 rounds were fired in support of the American infantry. Enemy fire was estimated at 20,000 rounds.

The officers and enlisted men of the 15th Regiment were told how important this outpost was. The orders were to “hold at all costs.” They held. For a complete report, go to www.ophsa.org

To recognize the epic struggle, the Outpost Harry Fitness Center was dedicated on April 28, 2001. The facility is located at Fort Benning, Georgia. The dedication was presided over by Col. Anthony Cucolo. Some years later Cucolo, now a Major General, led the Division into battle in Iraq.

Flag Etiquette

Harvey and Frances Sladius sent this photo of their flags. Notice that they are flying in the proper order: The American flag on top, then the Society flag, and finally, Harvey’s martini flag.

Roll Call

REGULAR ANNUAL

9084 RYAN BOGGS, 1/15 3rd BDE/3rd ID
04/28/04/05/10/06, SPC


9088 BILL J. COMRS, 41st FA BN, 3rd Div, 3/24/43-10/14/45, Sgt. Referred by Military Magazine Ad


9089 RICARDO GONZALEZ, A CO, 2 BN, 15TH INF, 1994-1995, LT. Referred by Robert J. Rouse//Rec’d 1 yr. membership courtesy Bob Rouse

9090 MIKE HOWITZ, 703RD MSB & 4-69 ARMOR, 1987-1990, 2LT-CPT. Referred by Robert J. Rouse//Rec’d 1 yr. membership courtesy Bob Rouse

New Members — Society of the 3rd Infantry Division

9091 ANDREW JONES, 3/7 CAV, 1995-1997, 1LT OP 17-CR
Referred by John Shirley

ASSOCIATE ANNUAL

9085 BRICE HOUDET, AA French Army, BGEN OP 5845
Referred by Monika Stoy

9083 CAROLYN MANCINO, AA OP 7-ER
Referred by self (Spouse was a member)

ANNUAL TO LIFE

7048 THOMAS E. COURANT, DIV/HQ Chief of Staff, Cul, CW/72-73 OP 88-WR

6580 RICK J. NUSSIO, 1-64AR, 2BCT, MAJ, OIF/J Jun01-May04 OP 13-CR
Purpose

The Society of the Third Infantry Division, United States Army, was founded in 1919 and incorporated in 1958 as a non-profit, fraternal, social, educational, patriotic, military service organization and shall always remain non-profit and non-political.

Specific objectives are:
- To foster and strengthen associations and friendships formed during service with the Third Infantry Division, U.S. Army.
- To honor the Third Infantry Division War Dead.
- To perpetuate the memory of other former comrades who shared a background of honorable military service with the Third Infantry Division, U.S. Army.
- To encourage and achieve the mutual benefit and support resulting from a close and cooperative alliance between the Society and the Third Infantry Division, U.S. Army.
- To support the Government of the United States and to give it, in peace and in war, the same devotion and service expected of us as members of its armed forces.

Pledge

I pledge to the Society of the Third Infantry Division, United States Army, in the achievement of the goals for which it is formed, that same full measure of loyalty and devotion which my comrades who have fallen gave to the Division and to the cause for which they fought.

Through my loyalty and devotion to their memory, they shall not be forgotten by the country, for which they died, or by the comrades at whose sides they fell.

To them, I pledge in peace and war the dedication of myself to that country and that cause to which they consecrated themselves.

General Information

All members in good standing receive the official bimonthly publication, The Watch on the Rhine. Life Members shall receive the Watch in the Rhine with no further dues payments during their lifetime. The National Membership Roster is printed every three years. All members receive a copy of the roster on the three-year cycle. All new members receive a copy. The next National Membership Roster will be printed in 2018.

The Society is divided into chapters, called outposts, which members are entitled to join. Outposts, at their discretion, may charge a small additional amount for outpost activities. At Large members do not belong to outposts but are referred to as “Footsie Britt At Large” (named for Lt. Maurice Britt, MOH, WW2).

Eligibility

Regular Membership: Veterans with honorable service in the Third Infantry Division. Also, those who were members of supporting or attached units of the Third Infantry Division.

Associate Membership: Spouse, parents, children or siblings of any person eligible for regular membership, and any person with a special interest in, or an affinity for the Society of the Third Infantry Division.

Life Membership: Available to both Regular and Associate Members.

Dues

Annual dues: Regular, Active Duty, Associate Members ..............$20.00
Annual dues: Overseas Members .............................................$35.00

Some Outposts charge an addition fee beginning with the second year’s dues, making the total annual dues for Outpost #3: $23.00; Outpost #12: $24.00; Outposts #4, #7, #60: $25.00; Outpost #22: $22.00. All other outposts pay $20.00 annually; all new members pay $20.00 for the first year.

Dues for Special Life Membership

Recipient of Medal of Honor ..........No charge

Dues for Other Life Memberships are based on the following scales:

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Annual dues are payable before July 1st each year. Life dues are applicable for Regular and Associate Members. Life Member dues can be paid in one lump sum or in four quarterly payments over a 12 month period.

For information, please contact The Society of the Third Infantry Division, 510 W. York Street, Blue Hill, NE 68930-7488.

Website: www.society3rid.org

Membership Application □  □  □ Society of the Third Infantry Division, U.S. Army

Date: ____________________________ □ New Regular Annual or Life Member (Circle Annual or Life)

Name ____________________________ (Last) ____________________________ (First) ____________________________ (Middle Initial)

Date of Birth ____________________________ (Required for Life Members)

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Current/Former Occupation ____________________________ Spouse’s Name ____________________________

Amount Enclosed: ____________________________ Referred by ____________________________

Please print clearly, detach, and mail this application for membership along with a check or money order payable to Society of the Third Infantry Division to: The Society of Third Infantry Division, 510 W. York Street, Blue Hill, NE 68930-7488.
CAMPAIGNS OF THE THIRD INFANTRY DIVISION

WORLD WAR I [2 Medals of Honor]
- Aisne
- St. Mihiel
- Champagne-Marne
- Meuse-Argonne
- Aisne-Marne
- Champagne

KOREAN WAR [13 Medals of Honor]
- CCF Intervention
- First UN Counteroffensive
- CCF Spring Offensive
- U.N. Summer-Fall Offensive
- Second Korean Winter
- Korea, Summer-Fall 1952
- Third Korean Winter
- Korea, Summer ’53

WORLD WAR II [39 Medals of Honor]
- Algeria-French Morocco (with arrowhead)
- Tunisia
- Sicily (with arrowhead)
- Naples-Foggia
- Anzio (with arrowhead)
- Rome-Arno
- Southern France (with arrowhead)
- Ardennes-Alsace
- Rhineland
- Central Europe

WAR ON TERRORISM [1 Medal of Honor]
- Liberation of Iraq
- Transition of Iraq
- Iraqi Governance
- National Resolution
- Iraqi Surge
- Iraqi Sovereignty
- New Dawn

Rock of the Marne
- WWI 1917-1918
- Peacetime 1919-1941
- WWII 1941-1945
- Korea War 1950-1953
- Cold War 1945-1991
- Desert Storm 1990-1991
- Peacetime 1992-2000
- Bosnia 2000-2001
- Peacetime 2002-2003
- Middle East 2003-present

WWI, WWII, Korea, Cold War, Peacetime, Bosnia, Iraq, Afghanistan

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