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**President**



**34<sup>th</sup> Infantry Division Association**  
**7105 NW 70<sup>th</sup> Avenue**  
**Johnston, Iowa 50131**

**NEWSLETTER 15 DECEMBER 2005**

*Happy Holidays to all Red Bulls*

**Report on Des Moines Reunion**

The Red Bulls and their ladies deployed to the Sheraton Four Points Hotel in Des Moines, Iowa, 8-11 Sep 05. The Des Moines Chapter hosted the Reunion.

President Ben Krall called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday. The 2Bde 34<sup>th</sup> IN Div posted the colors followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

LTC Ben Corell commander of 1-133 IN Bn presented his mission criteria and schedule for the unit's deployment to Iraq. He also introduced his leadership Team. They were to leave the next day for Iraq. The unit was to go into a special training phase and deploy to Iraq shortly after New Years. The RED BULL continues to march to the sound of battle.

The minutes were read and approved for the Louisville Reunion. Membership stands at 839 as of 1 Sep 2005. (Those that hadn't paid National Dues since 2003 will be removed ) Net worth: \$21,136.47 plus considerable stockage. Larry Lewer and Paul Burnett audited the books and found them adequate.

Time and Place for National Reunion to be held the weekend following Labor Day are Council Bluffs – 2006 and Des Moines - 2007.

Pat Skelly gave the Web Site report – great!!! [www.34infdiv.org](http://www.34infdiv.org)

Officers for 2005-2006 are: Bill Smith President; Roque Riohas 1<sup>st</sup> Vice-President; Don Singlestad 2d Vice-President. and Darline Smith – SGT –At-Arms ; Jerry Gorden – Sec/Treas; Pat Skelly Webmaster/Historian.; John Ashcraft Chaplain.

Trustees – 3 Years: Ben Krall (Past President) Ellen Ankrum and Phil Daurio  
2 Years: John Jackson (Prior President) Dick Tennant and Paul Barnett.

1 Years: Charles Sweeny (Prior President) , Norman Raner and Martin Winkle.

The new officers were sworn in by Larry Lewer. A book has been prepared on Homer Ankrum's contribution to the 34<sup>th</sup> Div. Ellen agreed to help place a copy in the Iowa Gold Star Museum Library.

Chaplain Ashcraft conducted the Memorial service on Sunday and Mildred Fencil read the 145 names on the Final Roll Call as enclosed.

Entertainment included a visit to the Iowa Gold Star Museum, and the State Capital. A special "belly-dance" troupe performed at Saturday evening event. Brigadier General Mark Zirklebach spoke at our banquet. He discussed the deployments to Iraq and Afganistan and Bosnia where Red Bull Soldiers marched to the sound of the guns.

## REUNION – 2006

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

**Location: Holiday Inn @ Amerstar. Ph 888-682-0900. More in the next Newsletter.**

## HELP WANTED.

We are still looking for stories of your army life- funny or sad. – Books, notes, journals, letters home etc. They will be archived in the museum under the 34<sup>th</sup> Division file for researchers, historians, and casual readers alike. You are a potential library of stuff the army experience is made of.

## NATIONAL OFFICE

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

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The National Secretary is Jerry L. Gorden  
[jlg34d@msn.com](mailto:jlg34d@msn.com) Phone: 515-276-5677.

## INQUIRY

Does anyone know of Patrick Eugene Duffy? He was in A Co 1-168 – drafted in April 1941 from Rodman/Mallard, Iowa. He was in 168 at Claiborne. Was he in the Rangers? He was wounded in Tunisia. Dave Kohlen, 1127 Graydon Ave, Norfolk, VA 23507 Ph 757-623-0293.

## INQUIRY

Does anyone know George R. Nehls.? Medic then Medical Officer? Daughter wants a contact: Nancy Nehls Nelson, 99 Parker Cove Road, Weaverville, NC 28787 [n3carolina@earthlink.net](mailto:n3carolina@earthlink.net) . ph828.658.9945

## INQUIRY

Nephew wants info on the death of Horace L. Comeaux - F Co 2/135<sup>th</sup> DOW on Feb 21 1945. Arrived in Italy Sep 1944. Leon J. Reed Jr 2859 Dogwood Trail Minden, LA 71055 or [LeonReedjr@Bellsouth.net](mailto:LeonReedjr@Bellsouth.net) ph 318-371-2609

## INQUIRY

Does anyone know Charles Gelsleichter – Co K 133<sup>rd</sup>. Evacuated from Monte Cassino to hospital in North Africa? 7 toes amputated. Contact W.C.Gelsleichter, Kingston, NY 12401-6101

## MONTE PANTANO

Monte Pantano high and reaching,  
Silent now as if in slumber,  
Many years have flown in passing  
Since you echoed battle's thunder.

Fear and anguish filled your bosom,  
Anxious moments ever near,  
Hearts throbbing, fraught with danger,  
There the moments seemed as years.

Now you look so tame and peaceful,  
Not a stirring of the past,  
Still you live in many memories  
And those memories last and last.

Days you held the battle raging  
To and fro among your peaks,  
Guns were echoing their thunder,  
Rain and fog ascending bleak.

Far below the village standing  
As it was in days gone by,  
From it on the trail that's winding  
To the peaks so steep and high.

Boulders strewn along their wayside  
Dotted with your scraggly trees,  
Mud and stone that intermingled,  
Just a memory that one sees.

You have seen those days of battle  
From the years so long ago,  
Now our hope, you stand there peaceful,  
No more battles ever show.

By: Oris M. Gentry  
RED BULL SOLDIER.

## FINAL ROLL CALL



## Our Japanese-American Friends Nisei Veterans – 100<sup>th</sup> Bn & 442 RCT

Leon Arey  
Robert Armitage  
Albert Banks  
Robert S. Bauer  
Edwin Booth  
Washington C. Carter  
Dean Chappell  
Roy Cremer  
Joseph Daugherty  
Robert De Santis  
Ivan Delp (Past President)  
Fred Diacon  
Marshall Engel  
Charles Erickson  
Jerome Fluster  
Phil Fouche, Sr  
Ivy "Nick" Fox  
Lester Helquist  
Robert Hite  
Verne Hughes  
Paul Johnson  
William Kahsaw  
John Kearns  
Rex Laudenberger  
Harry J. Martin  
Carl McCullough  
Charles Merada  
Ben Midulla  
Clifford Miner  
James Moran  
John "Jack" Murdock  
Melroy Olson  
Ed Ruple  
Lloyd Tracewell  
Wallace Wilkes  
Dr. Cletus Willkom  
Howard Young  
Lawrence Star  
Milton Rose  
Art Wedel  
Ole Satre  
Ed Schnieder  
"Tom" Jasper Thompson

Sadaichi Higa – 442  
Hisatoshi Kanagawa – 442  
Michio Takata – 442  
Kosuke Toyama – 100  
Masami Hamanado – 100  
Kentoku Nakasone – 100  
Hajime Kodama – 100  
Harold Kujita – 442  
Robert T. Hashimoto – 442  
Masami Hayakawa – 442  
William Yoneto Higa – 442  
Joseph Itaamura – 442  
Ernest Saburo Kagawa – 442  
Minoru Kaminishi – 442  
Yeiki Kobashigawa – 442  
John Murakami – 442  
Victor Nakamura – 442  
Wallace K. Nunotani – 442  
Jo Akazaki – 442  
George Oki – 442  
Tsutomu Onouye – 442  
Shinobu Dale Sakuma – 442  
Eddie Hirofumi Sato – 442  
Kinsei Vehara – 442  
Mitsugi Yamada – 442  
Seichi Yamamoto – 442  
Nobud Yoneda – 442  
Masa Tanaka – 442  
Katsumi Murai – 100  
Peter Katsushi Kuromoto – 100  
Mike Nobuo Tokunaga – 100  
Shigerv Inouye – 100  
Robert M. Ishii – 100  
Wallace T. Teruya – 100  
Tammy Tameki – 442  
Toshio Kumabe – 442  
Shinjiro Maeda – 442  
Takashi Muraoko – 442  
Victor Nakamura – 442  
Hirman Okubo – 442  
Edward Sakamoto – 442  
Orville Shirey – 442

**Nobe Shoji**  
**Kiyoshi Takeuchi**  
**Chikato Teshima**  
**Rudy Tokiwa**  
**Seichi Yei**  
**Guichi Yamagata**  
**Toshiyuki Shinozawa**  
**Henry S. Chagami**  
**Kazuo Kiyonaga**  
**Sam Hironaka**  
**Charles Sakae Hosibata**  
**Mike Shiraishi**  
**Kenneth Handa**  
**Minoru Kayatani**  
**Tom Toyofuku**  
**Junji Shiroyama**  
**Kaoru Watanobe**  
**Kiyoshi Sadanaga**  
**Joe Mochizuke**  
**Frank Kuroda**  
**Roy Greene**  
**Sadaichi Kubota**  
**Hideo Sato**  
**George Yamada**  
**William Y Inouye – 100**  
**Tamotsu ‘Barney’ Ono –100**  
**Yoshio Anzai –100**  
**Masaru Nakano – 100**  
**Larry T. Sakoda – 100**  
**Fred Kanemuka – 100**  
**Seiji Ifuku – 100**  
**Toshio ‘Michael’ Watanabe – 100**  
**Hideshi Niiimi – 100**  
**Terumasa Igeta – 100**  
**Seiko Arakaki – 100**  
**Robert Fukomoto – 100**  
**Takuichi Okajima – 100**  
**Tokio Ige**  
**Masad Ogawa**  
**Richard Maeda**  
**Kow Ito**  
**Kaoru Yamasaki**  
**Yeiki Kobashigawa**  
**Robert Toma**  
**Seitoku Hanashiro**  
**Kenneth Harada**

**Katsumi Murai**  
**Raymond Kitsu**  
**Shiro Maki**  
**Shigeru Tokuuke**  
**Kiyoshi Yonemori**  
**James Kawashima**  
**Masa Agino – 442**  
**Toshi Endo – 442**  
**Hikoso Futimoto – 442**  
**Kiyoshi Fukagawa – 442**  
**Yutaka Fukuoka – 442**  
**Herbert Minoru Hikichi – 442**  
**Warren Iwanaga – 442**  
**King Sugematsu - 442**

**DEATH NOTICES RECEIVED AFTER REUNION**

**Fred Evans**  
**Verl Farnsworth**  
**Hugh S. Jacobs**  
**Oran H. “Bill” Muck**  
**Willard B. Olson**  
**George R. Nehls**  
**Mitchell Trivanovich**  
**Kenneth Gardner**  
**Richard Willey**

*May their socks be dry.*  
*May their pack be light.*  
*May they always have hot chow.*  
*May their enemies be in flight.*





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**ITEMS – PRICE LIST – Dec 2005**

RED BULL Polo Shirts _____ \$22.00 ( Size)	Unit Dist Insig (Crests) Not Available
RED BULL T-Shirts _____ \$11.00 (Size)	Olla Jug/with Red Bull \$20.00
RED BULL Caps \$ 9.00	Combat Infantry Badge(Mini) \$3.25
RED BULL Patch \$ 1.50	RED BULL Insignia Pins \$3.50
RED BULL Neckties \$ 7.00	US Flag Lapel Pin \$1.00
RED BULL Window Decal \$ 1.50	US Flag/34 <sup>th</sup> Assn Key Tags \$2.50
RED BULL Refrig Magnets \$ 1.00	*Book "Dogfaces Who Smiled Through Tears" by H. Ankrum \$20.00
RED BULL Memo Pads, 50shts \$1.00	34 <sup>th</sup> Inf Div Flag, 3ft x 5ft \$65.00
*RED BULL Metal Plaque 4 1/2x8 \$77.00 8 x 1 \$134.00	
RED BULL Watch (Male) \$20.00	Sub-Total: \$ _____
RED BULL Jacket _____ \$30.00 (Size)	Shipping: \$ _____
*Add 3.00 Shipping to Book & Plaque Add reasonable postage to all other items.	TOTAL: \$ _____

**DUES**

**NOTE: If your address label is (L) (W), or (6) you do not owe dues. Others see below.**

- ( ) Enclosed is \$10 for my Annual Membership or Associate Membership (2005-2006) in the 34<sup>th</sup> Infantry Division Association. Period 1 Sep 2005 thru 31 August 2006.
- ( ) Enclosed is \$ \_\_\_\_\_ for my LIFE-TIME MEMBERSHIP in the 34<sup>th</sup> Infantry Division Association. See fee schedule below. (No Annual Dues)
 

To age 60	\$100	At age 63	\$70
At age 61	\$ 90	At age 64	\$60
At age 62	\$ 80	At age 65 or older	\$50
- ( ) Enclosed is \$ \_\_\_\_\_ for 34<sup>th</sup> Infantry Division Assn Memorial Fund
- ( ) Enclosed is \$ \_\_\_\_\_ for Association Operations Gift.

Age \_\_\_\_\_ Unit: \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Street \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ City/State/ZIP \_\_\_\_\_