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## Honoring the 3rd I.D. at Besançon

By Michel Marlin



Michel Marlin

“The fighting of September 7th, 1944, near our house in Besançon, is the beginning of this story. The three cans of food given to me (an 11 year old boy), by the crew of the Tank Destroyer, was one of the best gifts I had ever received in my young life. At that time, food was rationed and scarce. Furthermore, after the battles in Besançon, we did not have water, gas, or electricity for a period of time.

A few minutes after we put the cans of goods safely in the house, I returned to the street. I was standing by a G. I. when German shells came our way. I owe him my life when he dove over me and covered me with his body. During the battle for the liberation of Besançon eighty G. I.s died; forty F. F. I.s (French Forces of the Interior), and fifty civilians were killed in the streets of our town, including twelve persons on my block. The closest to us was our friend and mechanic neighbor, killed by a German sniper as he was attaching the French flag to the front of his shop.

In the subsequent years, I had a passion for all books and movies about WW II, but curiously, I was also very interested in accounts of the Pacific War. To this day I still regret not having had an opportunity to talk about it with my friend, Clif Selvage, a veteran of the war in the

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## Twins in Service

R.D. and R.B. Sanford on road to Chorwon. It was cold.

by R.B. Sanford

R.B. and R.D. Sanford are twins. They were given initials as first names—no middle name. This must have created some consternation among the military (First name, first; last name, last; middle initial in the middle) but R.B. said it didn't bother him or his brother.

“My twin brother, R.D., was always there. We were sent overseas in the summer of 1951. We left Tacoma, Washington, by ship bound for Sasebo, Japan, and then on to Camp Drake for processing and permanent duty assignments. We were assigned to the 3rd Infantry Division and left Sasebo by ship, arriving at Inchon and moving by truck



to the 3rd Division Headquarters. We were both assigned to the 15th Infantry Regiment. I was in 1st Platoon and R.D. was in 3rd platoon. The first battle sound we heard was an artillery round, outgoing. I was scared to death; my brother turned white.

I didn't see my brother very often, only when we were in reserve. The time went fast.

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### Voices from the Past

## Origination of the 3rd I.D. Monument at Chateau Thierry

An article in the August 1, 1919, *Watch on the Rhine* Occupation Newspaper stated that Generals Howze, Cruikshank, and Sladen would leave Andernach on August 9th to dedicate the 3rd ID Monuments at Chateau-Thierry. “High officials of the French government and [French] Army and other American Army officers” were also slated to attend the dedication ceremonies.

In those days, it seems, raising money for monuments was less difficult than in our times. The Army simply “suggested” that each Soldier contribute “one-day's pay” to the project. In their words, “Final contributions to the fund for the construction of the 3rd Division Monuments at

Chateau Thierry must be made during the coming week, as the Division will shortly commence its movement to the United States. All organizations will be paid before leaving this area, and in those which have not completed their collections, the men will be requested to make their contribution of one day's pay at the pay table.

“Many units did not receive word of the plan to erect the memorials until too late to make collections on the last pay day. In spite of this, four-fifths of the necessary amount has already been raised and there is no doubt that the fund will be completed this pay day. The spirit with

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# President's Message

**The 3rd Infantry Division Monument at Fort Benning will be moved to the site of the new Infantry Museum. We are asking for donations from Society members to help with the costs.**

With the election of new Executive Committee officers at the 2011 Reunion, we have now begun another year in the Society's history. In the past year, the members of the executive committee, the editor of the *Watch*, the webmaster, the out-post officers, staff chairs, committee members, and many others too numerous to mention have done an outstanding job. I thank each and every one of them for their time and effort and service to the Society.

Financially, the Society is in good condition as determined by the annual audit. We have met all of our financial obligations and adequate funds are available to cover life membership expenses in the future. Our only area of concern is our declining membership. Time is overtaking us, and the old Soldiers are gradually fading away. Presently, the membership committee, with the approval of the executive committee, is using membership committee funds to provide gift memberships to the commanding officers and NCOs of various regiments, battalions, and brigades of the active 3rd Infantry Division. We believe this will bring the Society to their attention and this, in turn, will work its way down through the ranks. The Society's future is with the current members of the 3rd Infantry Division so we need to reach them now.

We are currently awaiting reports on the repairs of the *3rd Infantry Division Monument* at Chateau Thierry in France, and when repairs are completed, we will obtain photos for the *Watch*. The *3rd Infantry*

*Division Monument* at Fort Benning will be moved to the site of the new Infantry Museum. We are asking for donations from Society members to help with the costs. The timetable for moving the monument must be delayed until we have the necessary funds available.

Much has been happening politically in the country in recent weeks, and it is not the purpose of the Society to comment on or influence any government policies, but we would ask each of you to make your voices heard by your local representatives. Let them know whether you agree or disagree with their policies.

On November 11, 1918, 93 years ago, the First World War came to an end. For many years that date was known as Armistice Day, but because of WWII and other wars, it is now known as Veterans' Day—a time to remember all of our military personnel. So this Veterans' Day, take a moment to remember ALL of our Veterans, both past and present.

Finally, don't forget that we now have Society bumper stickers available from Bob Bailey (see page 2 for contact information), and if you need any 3rd ID hats, emblems, shirts, or other items, check the quartermaster listings. These items, including our bumper stickers, bring the Society to public attention.

—Submitted by John Fisher, President



**John Fisher  
Society President**

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We were both promoted at the same time, and we also rotated together. My most vivid memory of my time in Korea is one of extreme sadness when friends were wounded or killed. They were here yesterday and gone today.

When we rotated, we left Inchon by ship arriving at Sasebo for a quarantine period of 30 days, and then on to Camp Stoneman,



L-R: R.D. and R.B. Sanford with their 1939 Ford, as they prepared to join the National Guard at age 15 ½.

California. We left Stoneman on a charter flight bound for our temporary duty station at Fort Sam Houston, with a short stopover in El Paso, Texas. We went on a 30-day leave after arriving at Fort Sam Houston and were then assigned to Camp Polk, Louisiana. My brother and I received honorable discharges from service on August 13, 1953. Upon discharge, we were also paid for our time in the National Guard—a total of five years and six months. This was a nice chunk of money to put into our piggy banks.

My marriage on 11/30/53 to Barbara Ann lasted until her death in 1997. My second marriage to Ernestine ended when she passed away in June 2010.

In civilian life, R. D. and I stayed close. After some jobs that took him away, he returned to the Houston area and opened an equipment rental business. I worked for a company that serviced oil fields and then as a motorcycle officer with the Houston Police Department from 1957 until retiring in 1981. Life was going well until R. D. contracted some medical problems, spent a good bit of time in a VA hospital, and passed away at the age of 56. I miss him very much. I am very grateful that we were able to share the Korea experience and all of our shared experiences before and after Korea. Both R. D. and I proudly wear the Combat Infantry Badge."

### THE SOCIETY OF THE 3ID IS LOOKING FOR YOU!

**The Society of the Third Infantry Division has existed for 92 years and is the oldest of all military organizations.**

**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 Marne Patch or if you are a family member or friend of a Marne Soldier, you are invited to join the Society!**

**There is a membership application on p. 30. Join today!**

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Pacific and also the deceased husband of Josiane Selvage; Josiane is a battlefield tours guide with Third Infantry Division veterans.

It is thanks to Colonel Robert Dutriez, a historian, that in the year 1970, I learned about the 3rd U. S. Infantry Division and its glorious reputation.

It was in August 1994, that I made a connection with the Veterans of the 3rd Infantry Division. In April of that year, Bernard Girardot, a member of the Besançon Rotary Club, met John Shirley walking in the halls of the Frantel Hotel in Besançon and opened the conversation: "Are you a tourist?" John replied, "No, I am here to check out this hotel for a group of ninety Third Infantry Division veterans and seventy spouses on a 50th anniversary battlefield tour." John also told Bernard he would like to arrange with the mayor some kind of reception when they arrived a few months later.

Bernard Girardot contacted Robert Schwint, mayor of Besançon, who was in charge of the commemoration of the 50th anniversary of the liberation of Besançon, on September 8, 1994. Bernard also told John his Rotary Club would be involved in the veterans' reception.

During the same period, the local newspaper, *The Est Republicain*, wanted to prepare an article on the 50th anniversary of the liberation of Besançon and asked people to bring in pictures taken at the time of the liberation. Having received only 12 responses, the Regional Director, Mme Marie-Therese Renaud Simon, asked me to help her. I wanted to

publish a picture of the tank destroyer taken by my father in 1944. With the picture we added an offer for people to bring in their old pictures. We would reproduce their pictures in a bigger format and have a show at the City Hall during the visit of the veterans. Fifty years later maybe some of the soldiers would recognize themselves at the time of their visit in June 1994.

We also received help from the television stations, and the result exceeded all of our expectations. Our telephone switchboard was blocked for three days, and I received 137 pictures taken in 1944.

The visit of the veterans in June 1994 was a great success. I had obtained the participation of the French Army band of about 60 musicians and Soldiers. I invited collectors of Jeep, Dodge, GMC, and Military Command Cars to come with their vehicles. I then discovered the "Rock of Marne Association," and since that time, we have been working together. My wife, Renée, and I even became their patron. During the ceremonies John Shirley received the title of Honorary Citizen of Besançon, and so did John Tominac—a name I had also submitted for the honor. I knew about his heroic actions near Vesoul for which he was awarded the Congressional Medal of Honor.

Before coming to the June 1994, commemoration, John Shirley asked me how I knew Paul Green who had sent John a copy of the newspaper from Besançon with my request for pictures. I made contact with Paul Green when I learned he

was a journalist for the U. S. Army's Stars and Stripes, and was stationed in Besançon where the newspaper was printed for two months following the liberation.

In 1999, I made a proposal to the mayor of Besançon for a free show of 300 enlarged pictures taken during the liberation. I had a fundraising project in mind. I thought of building a monument in memory of the eighty Soldiers of the 3rd I. D. killed in our town. The Mayor's answer: "You are in charge of the show. We will finance the monument." Seven thousand "Bisontins" (Citizens of Besançon) came to the Exposition. The monument was dedicated on September 7, 1999. I had chosen the site for the monument: Fort Chaudanne where twenty Soldiers of the 7th Regiment were killed.

From 2000, until now, I travel extensively to schools and associations to show my DVD entitled "Besançon 1944." We have had the pleasure to host our friends the veterans of the 3rd Infantry Division and others of the 45th and 36th.

In 2010, an American medical doctor called to inform me that his father, William Colter, a B26 pilot of the 320th Bomb Group had passed away in 2007. William wanted his ashes to be dispersed on the Tavaux Airport. He went from that airport on 34 missions to Germany in 1944/1945. I was able to organize a ceremony to fulfill his last wish. I arranged to welcome twenty-five aviators of the same unit, based in Dôle-Tavaux near Besançon.

My wife, Renee, and I have always enjoyed our relationship with our WW II veteran friends that helped liberate Besançon. It has been our pleasure to help and honor the veterans wherever we could. Renee was honored by kind words and a beautiful present during a reception at the City Hall of Besançon, in August 2009 on the 65th anniversary 3rd I.D. battlefield tour.

Renee and I, and many other friends in Besançon, are always happy to welcome WW II veterans who fought for our liberation. We are truly grateful."

### Update Your Contact Info

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which those who have been requested to contribute have responded assures this: it shows a universal desire to perpetuate the memory of our fallen comrades.

“Everyone must contribute, however, if suitable memorials are to be erected. ‘Suitable’ means that nothing but the best will do and that they must represent the combined efforts of every officer and [enlisted] man in the Division.”

Apparently, there was more than one memorial planned at Chateau Thierry. The article mentions “monuments” in the plural several times, and the amount collected, as of August 1, 1919, was \$401, 278.25, certainly more than would be needed for one monument. All contributions collected from every member of the Division and attached units were sent to the “custodian of the account” in “the office of the Chief of Staff.” The article continues to explain that “After the Division returns to the States, the fund will be handled and the monuments erected under the supervision of the Division Society through an officer

remaining in Europe, and the members of the Society will be advised as the project progresses, through columns of the *Watch on the Rhine*.” Interestingly, the expense to collect this huge sum of money was listed as only \$21.25.

Also interesting was the value of the American dollar at the time. It was worth 15.78 marks or 7.10 francs. In other words, the mark was worth a trifle over 6 cents and the franc a trifle over 14 cents. The exchange rate between French and German money was 2.22 marks for one franc. Those Soldiers lucky enough to still have marks as they prepared to return to the States were able to exchange that money at a very favorable rate.

*[If you would like to see more “Voices from the Past”(WWI era), please let me know. I found the 1919 and 1920 Watch on the Rhine Occupation Newspapers very interesting and hope you found the origins of our Patch and of the Monument at Chateau Thierry interesting too.]*

## Our Division Emblem



We all regard the Patch with great pride, but do we all know what it represents? The three white stripes stand for the three operations of WWI in which the Third Division took part: the Marne, St. Mihiel, and Meuse-Argonne. The blue stands for the loyalty of those who placed their lives on the altar of self-sacrifice in defense of American ideals of liberty and democracy.

In the *Watch on the Rhine Army of Occupation Newspaper*, on August 1, 1919, General Pershing is quoted as saying, “Your achievement, which is scarcely to be equaled in American history, must remain a source of proud satisfaction to the troops who participated in the last campaign of the war. The American people will remember it as the realization of the hitherto potential strength of the American contribution toward the cause to which they had sworn allegiance. There can be no greater reward for a soldier or for a soldier’s memory.”

### Watch Schedule

The *Watch* editor requires receipt of copy on or before the 5th of the month preceding the month of publication. Space fills quickly so articles sent early have more chance of being published.:

Deadline to the Editor	Publication
January 5th.....	February
March 5th.....	April
May 5th .....	June
July 5th .....	August
August 25th .....	October
November 5th .....	December

## Reunions: 2011 and 2012

I am writing this before our New Orleans Reunion. All the plans are complete and registrations are coming in. I am confident we will have a good turnout and a good time. MG Robert Abrams, Commander of the 3rd Infantry Division, made a special effort to be with us and we thank him very much.

I am especially grateful to the Reunion Committee members, Nile Stuart, David Mills, and Joe Ball. They were great help. On behalf of the reunion committee and the Society officers and leadership, we thank all of you who attended and participated. It is wonderful that all of us, together, can perpetuate the long standing traditions and history of the Society of the Third Infantry Division.

Our special thanks go to our *Watch* editor, Lynn Ball, who supported the reunion in every issue with information about the reunion along with registration forms, schedules, and more. We are also very pleased and thankful for the fine support we received from the active Third Infantry Division. In our December *Watch* we will provide a complete report on the reunion and more expressions of gratitude for participation and help.

I am happy to report the reunion committee has been asked to arrange our 2012 reunion in Savannah, GA. We will be very close to the Third Infantry Division at Fort Stewart and Hunter Airfield, and we will enjoy being with the fine Soldiers of the Division at various tours and events. The dates will be September 6-9, the weekend before the tourist season starts in Savannah, and before hotel prices go up. We have selected the Hilton Savannah De Soto located in Savannah’s Historic District. Of the three or four hotels suitable for our reunion, and located in downtown Savannah, the Hilton Savannah DeSoto offers the best prices for hotel rooms, breakfasts, and parking. It is an excellent hotel.

Thanks to Lynn Ball, we will keep all of you informed all year long, until reunion time in Savannah. We had reunions there in 1999 and 2004, and we will do our best to make 2012 one of the best ever.

—Very sincerely, John Shirley  
Reunion Committee Chairman



# From the Editor

Lynn Ball

By the time you read this issue of the *Watch on the Rhine*, the 2011 Reunion will be a pleasant memory, and we will be looking forward to the 2012 Reunion in Savannah, Georgia. Details of that event are not yet firm so later issues will provide updates.

**Society Responsibilities:** It has been an eventful year for the Society. This year we are repairing the *WWI 3rd Infantry Division Monument* at Chateau Thierry, France, and we are moving the *3rd I.D. Monument* (currently residing at the old Infantry Museum) to the grounds of the new Infantry Museum at Fort Benning. The Society hopes to receive enough donations for the later undertaking to add a wing honoring our Soldiers who have served and are serving in Iraq and Afghanistan. We hope news of this plan will reach the active duty Soldiers so they know how much we honor them.

**2012 Society Roster:** Every three years, we publish a new Society Membership Roster, which is mailed to all members in good standing. The Roster contains many interesting articles and information about all current members. Aside from supporting the Society, this is another reason why members who have not yet renewed their memberships for 2011-2012 should do so quickly. Being listed in this Roster provides opportunities for communication between and among our members, and it builds cama-

raderie within our organization. Those who were listed in the 2009 Roster should check all information recorded there to ensure its accuracy. If your information needs updating, send your updates to Rich Heller. His contact information is on page 2 of this issue. If you do not have a 2009 Roster and, therefore, cannot check your information, contact Rich. He can tell you what the 2009 Roster records opposite your name (address, unit information, time of service, and more).

**Raffle Reports:** The December issue of the *Watch* will include the names of those who won prizes in both the Society's Annual Raffle and the Scholarship Foundation's Fundraising Raffle. We thank our Society members for their support and hope they will continue to support both the Society and the Foundation.

**Paid Advertising:** Our paid advertising program is going well. This issue includes a new ad purchased by Kathy Daddato who wishes to make known the availability of her handmade quilts. While the ad focuses on her 3rd I.D. quilt, she makes quilts of other designs as well. Also included in this issue is a repeat ad by Justin Valle's company, Big Feet Design. Justin does much volunteer work for the Society including his recent work for the cover of our upcoming 2012 Roster. He is a good editor and graphics and photo artisan. Additionally, we have a new advertisement of Dan Wolfe's latest book,

*Cold Ground's Been My Bed*. The ad provides more details about the book and explains its title. Be sure to see these advertisements. To date, all paid ads have been 3 1/2" x 4" in size, but other size ads can be purchased too. The cost of ads is \$19.00 per column inch. A column is 3 1/2" wide.

**Active Duty Participation:** The Society has been trying to attract the attention of our current troops, because they are the future of our Society. Most outposts are not close enough to active duty stations to help much, but those close enough have done a good job of inviting active duty Soldiers to participate in their meetings and other events. We commend them, and yes, these activities have attracted some new members. It is possible that some efforts have been successful beyond meetings and social events. Recently, the Scholarship Foundation received a Platinum donation honoring a 39-year-old, career Soldier who lost his life in a tragic automobile accident at Fort Benning. The Foundation officers were thrilled to receive the donation which implied recognition of both the Society and the Foundation by our active duty Soldiers. The Foundation Directors included, in their 2012 program plan, a scholarship grant honoring the fallen Soldier and also recognizing those who provided the gift. The grant has been named "The 3rd Squadron, 1st Cavalry Award in Honor and Memory of SSG Jerome Curtis

## Watch Requirements Schedule

Issue	Topic	Reporting Responsibility
All Issues	Taps and New Members	Roster Manager
February-August	Upcoming Reunion Information	Reunion Committee
February	Scholarship Foundation; Call for Applications Call for C&BL Proposed Changes, 2013 Call for Nominations for National Officers	Foundation Chairman C&BL Chairman Nominations Chairman
April	Call for Society Awards Nominations Call for Nominations for National Officers	Awards Chairman Nominations Chairman
June	Ballot for C&BL Changes, 2013 Election Ballot	C&BL Chairman Election Chair
August	Actions of Ex-Com since last reunion; Society Budget for Coming Year; Scholarship Recipients Report	Secretary/Treasurer Foundation Chairman
October	Auditor's Report for Fiscal Year; Society Financial Report	Auditor and S/T
December	Call for Nominations for National Officers Member-approved Changes to C&BL, 2013 Minutes of General Membership Meeting Minutes of Ex-Com Meetings at Reunion Scholarship Foundation Financial Report	Nominations Chairman C&BL Chair Secretary/Treasurer Secretary/Treasurer Foundation C.F.O.

Owens.” The directors sent letters to SSG Owens’ mother, his wife, and his commanding officer in recognition of the kind donation and to let them know of the 2012 award. In the latter letter, we requested that those who contributed to the gift be thanked. In all letters we mentioned the Society and the *Watch on the Rhine*. We hope this scholarship grant will provide more awareness of the Society and the Foundation among our active duty Soldiers.

**Reciprocal Ads:** Also attracting some attention are our reciprocal ads running in *Military* magazine, *The Blue Badge*, and *Chosin Few Digest*. Membership Chairman, Henry Burke, reports receiving calls about the Society from those ads. The August *Military* magazine will reach a broader readership as many of its readers might not know about the Society. We hope that those who

were attracted by our new ad and didn’t call Henry will at least search the Internet and encounter our excellent website which is frequently updated by our webmaster, Rich Heller.

As you can see, the above indicates both individual and team efforts. Joe Ball’s support of our Public Relations Chair, Carl Topie, in securing reciprocal ads is leading to more labors of love for our Membership Chair, Henry Burke (and his wife, Pennie). Outpost officers who are organizing events to include active duty Soldiers are also securing awareness, and of course, our website is available to those interested enough to access it. Nevertheless, it is still important for our current members to “get the word out” at military events they attend and when talking to other Veterans. As Henry Burke would say, “Get one for the Rock.”

## F-35 JSF Distributed Aperture System

The advanced radar system protects aircraft up to an 800-mile radius: According to reports, Northrop Grumman has developed the only 360 degree, spherical situational awareness system in the electro-optical distributed aperture system (EO DAS), for F-35’s. The DAS surrounds the aircraft with a protective sphere.

Designated the AN/AAQ-37, and comprised of six electro-optical sensors (mounted on the outside of the aircraft), the full EO DAS will enhance the F-35’s survivability and operational effectiveness by warning the pilot of incoming aircraft and missile threats (up to 800-mile radius) while also providing day/night vision, fire control capability, precision tracking of wingmen/friendly aircraft for tactical maneuvering, and support of the navigation function of the F-35’s forward-looking infrared sensor. The DAS provides missile detection and tracking; launch point detection, situational awareness IRST & cueing (first and cueing), weapons support, and day/night navigation.

In addition to developing the EO DAS, Northrop Grumman Electronic Systems is supplying the F-35’s AN/APG-81 advanced electronically scanned array (AESA) fire-control radar. The AESA radar is designed to enable the pilot to engage air and ground targets at long range, while also maintaining outstanding situational awareness.

Videos of tests supplied by Northrop Grumman show the system detecting both ground and air threats before they are within range sufficient to harm the aircraft. We hope such an innovation is in use by our aircraft soon.

—Compiled by Lynn Ball from research

### Display the 3ID Patch Proudly & Support the Scholarship Fund

1. **Inside Window Decal with Society’s Emblem**—2 ½ inches round, blue & white, silk-screened, self-clinging, easy to remove.
2. **General All Purpose Decal with Society’s Emblem**—3 inches round, blue and white vinyl, permanent adhesive. It can be used on bumpers, books, suitcases and more.
3. **Bumper Sticker with 3rd I.D. Patch**—10 inches x 2 ¼ inches. Blue printing on a white background. Permanent adhesive.

Donations are accepted and will go to our Scholarship Fund. Donors’ names will be recognized in *The Watch on the Rhine*. Make checks payable to the Society of the 3rd Infantry Division. Send a #10 (large), stamped, self-addressed envelope to Bob Bailey, 160 Huguley Road, Opelika AL 36804-1891.

## Be Aware

**Shell Reports Cell Phone Fires:** According to sources, the Shell Oil Company has issued a warning regarding the use of cell phones in refueling and fuel storage areas. This includes areas where gasoline, propylene oxide, propane, and diesel are present. According to the report, when a mobile (cell) phone rings, it emits a spark sufficient to ignite the fuel. Also, cell phones should be turned off around other materials that generate or emit flammable or explosive fumes or dust (solvents, chemicals, gases, grain dust, and so forth).

**New Method of Carjacking:** Carjackers put a piece of paper on your rear window when your car is parked and unattended. When you return to your car and begin to back out of your parking space, they hope you will put your car in park and get out of the car to remove the paper. That’s when the carjacker jumps into your car and speeds away. When women are the victims, their purses are probably still in the car. Now the carjacker has their home address, their money, and their keys. Their identities and their lives have been compromised. Wait until you are in a safe place before removing the paper.

**New Method of Car Theft:** Thieves use an electronic device to clone your security code when you lock your car doors using your key-chain locking device. They sit a distance away and watch for their next victim. Once you leave your locked car, they can use the code they captured to enter your car and steal everything removable. Always lock your car doors manually using the button located on the inside of your car’s door.

**Jury Duty Scam:** We are told a caller claims to be a jury duty coordinator. When you protest that you didn’t receive a summons for jury duty, the scammer asks for your Social Security number and date of birth so he/she can verify the information and cancel the arrest warrant. If you give out any of this information, the caller has all he/she needs to steal your identity. This fraud is particularly insidious because they use intimidation over the phone to bully people into giving information by pretending they are with the court system. The FBI and the federal court system have issued nationwide alerts on their web sites, warning consumers about the fraud.

# 2011 Society Awards

The Society Reunion in New Orleans featured the annual Awards Banquet during which outstanding members of the Society were recognized. Chairman Nile Stuart led our awards voting committee members, comprised of our vice presidents, Patrick Williamson, Matthew McKenna, and Curtis Gentry, in the selection of the following individuals who received these awards of honor. We will provide more details concerning these awards in the December Watch on the Rhine.

## President's Special Awards

These awards are presented at the discretion of the Society President for the purpose of recognizing individuals for their outstanding service to the Society.

- **Lynn Ball:** for her work as editor of *Watch on the Rhine*, as chairman of the Scholarship Foundation, as Secretary-Treasurer of Audie Murphy Outpost and for her service as speaker at the Ladies' Event at the 2011 Reunion
- **Richard Guimond:** for his re-recruitment programs both in 2011 and in previous years.
- **Richard Heller:** for his remarkable work as our Roster and Data Base Manager
- **Rock of the Marne Association**—The French Re-enactors who represent the 3rd Infantry Division so well: This award was presented on behalf of the Society by John Shirley during his recent trip to France
- **John Shirley:** for chairing the current Reunion Committee, and for his service to the Society in various offices and on several earlier committees
- **Bartolo Viruso:** for his work with the 15th Regimental Association as Trustee and Treasurer, and for his service to the Society as Sergeant-at-Arms and now as President of Outpost #5

## Society Service Awards

This award may be presented to a member in good standing for exceptional service to the Society. The recipient must have been a member of the Society for a minimum of three years.

- **Joe Ball:** for his outstanding service to

the 3rd Infantry Division during the Korean War and as Central Region Committeeman, Chair of the C&BL Committee, Reunion Host, CFO of the Scholarship Foundation, and Audie Murphy Outpost President. Joe is the 2004 recipient of the Audie Murphy Achievement Award

- **Henry Burke:** for his career military service and for his terms as Society Sergeant-at-Arms and Membership Chairman
- **Nile Stuart:** for service to the Society as Sergeant-at-Arms, Western Region Committeeman, service to the C&BL Committee, several years of service to the Society Reunion and Awards Committees, and for his service in Korea

## Outstanding Associate Service Award:

This award may be presented to an Associate Member of the Society, in good standing, for exceptional service to the Society. The recipient must have been a member of the Society for a minimum of three years.

- **Lula Coble:** for her faithful and outstanding support of the Audie Murphy Outpost from its very beginning in 1974, and for her service to and support of the Society and the Scholarship Foundation.

Lula is now 98 years old and she is blind, yet she attends every outpost meeting and fully participates with motions for improvement, and she organizes and supports various Outpost and Society efforts such as member recruitment

## Audie Murphy Achievement Award:

This award is presented to a member who has been in good standing in the Society for at least three years or a former distinguished member of the Third Infantry Division or a worthy national leader. Some of the considerations for this award are exemplary military service, service as an elected national Society officer or the holder of an appointed or elected position, including Outpost officers and members, and for outstanding service to the Society or to the member's community, state, or nation.

- **Raymond C. Anderson:** for his service in Korea in 1952, and for his service to the Society, including several terms as Society Secretary-Treasurer.

Sadly, due to the staggered deployments of our troops, the Army could not designate a "Soldier of the Year" or "NCO of the Year" for 2011. Our hope is to honor the "Soldier of the Year" and the "NCO of the Year" in 2012.

## Presentation for LTG William Webster Jr.

Henry Burke, Society Membership Chairman, presented a 3-star walking cane to LTG William G. Webster Jr. at the recent ribbon cutting ceremony at the new 3rd Army Headquarters at Shaw Air Force Base in Sumter, South Carolina. The recently-opened Third Army's Patton Hall is a command and control facility that will serve as the unit's new headquarters at Shaw Air Force Base. The Third Army has been transferring to the Sumter community since a 2005 base realignment and closure mandate ordered the closure of Fort McPherson, Georgia. LTG Webster led the 3rd Infantry Division from 2003 – 2006, including during the Division's 2004-2005 deployment in Iraq.



Henry Burke presents 3-star walking cane to LTG William Webster Jr.

# Ex-Com Actions: 2010-2011

The Ex-Com approved the appointed staff submitted by then president John Fisher.

- Joseph Ball, Constitution and By-laws Chair
- Lynn Ball, Editor
- Bob Bailey, Nominations Chair
- Henry Burke, Membership Chair
- Jerry Daddato, Chaplain
- Rich Heller, Webmaster/Database Mgr.
- Bae Suk Lee, MD, Medical Officer
- David Mills, Auditor
- Bob Poydasheff, Judge Advocate
- Nile Stuart, Awards Committee
- Carl Topie, Public Relations Chair
- Bart Viruso, Sergeant at Arms

The Ex-Com approved making the August issue of the *Watch* the last copy to be received by delinquent dues-paying members. The August issue will carry a notation that reads "Last Issue of the Watch," as noted in By-laws Section 8.1e.

The Ex-Com approved a loan of \$500 to Pat Williamson to assist with his operation as the Society QM—Loan to be repaid within one year.

The Ex-Com approved the mailing of past due dues notices to all delinquent annual dues paying members. That action generated 180 members that renewed their memberships.

The Ex-Com approved the adoption of a membership drive program through the use of a Society bumper sticker. The newly designed bumper sticker is available from Bob Bailey. Donations are accepted.

The Ex-Com approved the repair to the WW1 Monument in Chateau Thierry based on cost estimates furnished by the American Battle Field Monument Commission. Funds for the repair will be taken from the Chateau Thierry CD with Sun Bank. The cost estimate was \$5,938.

The Ex-Com approved an increase in Domestic Life Dues. A new dues schedule is printed in the *Watch*, effective 3/3/11.

The Ex-Com approved an increase in Annual Domestic Dues from \$15/yr. to \$20/yr., effective 3/13/11.

The Ex-Com approved the renaming of the Life Membership Fund to the Society Reserve Fund. Funds presently in the Life Membership Fund will be incorporated with the Society General Fund.

The Ex-Com approved the change to the C&BL concerning the Society Annual Reunion. The Annual reunion will be planned and carried out by the Society National Reunion Committee. Costs for planning a national reunion will be the responsibility of the Society. Outposts that want to bid on hosting a reunion must do so three years in advance and will be responsible for the reunion expense, as noted in By-laws Section 5, 5.8. If an Outpost does successfully bid to host the reunion it is urged that they seek the assistance of a professional reunion planner.

The Ex-Com approved the project to move the 3rd Infantry Division Monument to the new location of the Infantry Museum outside Fort Benning. The estimated cost of the move is \$8,000. Financing will be shared by member donations and the National Society of the 3rd Infantry Division.

The Ex-Com approved Savannah, Georgia, as the 2012 Reunion site. Dates and details will appear in the *Watch* as soon as they are available.

The Ex-Com approved the motion to accept paid member display advertising in the *Watch*. The ads must meet the following conditions:

1. The copy must be supplied by the advertiser and should be scan-ready.
2. Ads supplied will be printed in black and white, and copy must be suitable for reproduction.
3. Ads will be one column (3 ½" wide) at \$19 per column inch.

Example: Cost for a 4" ad would be \$76.00

The *Watch* is limited to 32 pages so ads need to be limited in size.

For Reference, See C.I.A. reciprocal ad on p. 27 of the April 2011 *Watch*.

The Ex-Com approved the annual Society Budget for the fiscal year of 2011/2012.

## Chinese Generals Tour Our Military Installations

In May, a delegation of eight Chinese generals spent a week touring our military bases. Among those visited were Fort Stewart and Hunter AAF. The delegation was led by General Chen Bingde, the chief of the general staff for the People's Liberation Army. The generals were lifted by helicopter from Hunter to one of Fort Stewart's live-fire ranges, where they witnessed a combined arms live fire exercise conducted by Soldiers from the 2nd Heavy Brigade Combat Team and the 3rd Combat Aviation Brigade, 3rd Infantry Division.

The CALFEX consisted of U. S. Marine Corps F/A-18 jets from Marine Corps Air Station- Beaufort; Apache and Kiowa attack helicopters from 3 CAB; and tanks, artillery, and ground forces from 2HBCT.

Before the exercise began, the Chinese leaders, escorted by 3rd ID's commander, Maj. Gen. Robert B. Abrams, visited the tactical operations center responsible for the execution of the exercise. Leaders from 2nd Battalion, 7th Infantry Regiment, provided the visitors with an unclassified briefing on the exercise. Once the briefings were complete, the delegation observed the training exercise.

According to Col. Roger Cloutier, Chief of Staff, 3rd ID, "It was a historic visit and it was our honor to highlight the skills and independence of the 3rd infantry Division's Soldiers and NCOs who have sacrificed so much over the past decade." The military writer believes this exchange promoted mutual understanding between Chinese and United States military forces and will help to expand cooperation in humanitarian assistance and disaster relief in the future as the frequency of cooperative interaction increases.

**"Watch" Website:**  
<http://www.3rddiv.org>

# Early History of the 15th Origins of its Crest

The 15th Infantry Regiment was originally organized in 1798 to fight in the war with France. This war has several names: Quasi-War, Undeclared War with France, Franco-American War, Pirate Wars, Half-War, and Undeclared Naval War. Since it was mainly a war fought at sea between the United States and the French Republic, the 15th saw no action. It was deactivated in 1800.

The 15th Infantry Regiment was again activated in 1812 for service in Canada during the War of 1812. The 15th fought in the capture of Toronto and Fort George in April and May 1813 and covered the retreat of militia troops in December 1813. During this action, the 15th did not lose a single Soldier to capture, but it sustained heavy casualties. In the autumn of 1814, the 15th fought in the Champlain Valley campaign and participated in an offensive in Ontario in October, as well as several smaller engagements. Nevertheless, it vanished during the Army reorganization of 1815.

In February 1847, a new 15th Infantry Regiment was activated for service in Mexico, where it joined with General Winfred Scott's army as it advanced on Mexico City. The regiment fought with distinction in the battles of Contreras and Churubasco, as well as smaller engagements before storming the walls of Chapultepec in Mexico City. Following garrison duty in Mexico City and Cuernavaca, the regiment returned to the U.S. for deactivation in August 1848.

The 15th was reactivated in 1861, during the Civil War, and headquartered first in Wheeling, West Virginia, then Cleveland, Ohio, then Newport Barracks, Kentucky, and finally at Fort Adams, Rhode Island. During the war, the regiment fought in 22 major battles including Chattanooga, Chickamauga, Murfreesboro, and Atlanta as part of BG King's Brigade of Johnston's Division, XIV Army Corps of the Army of the Cumberland. These actions are recorded in part of the regimental crest: the white and blue (old and new infantry colors), the



Red Acorn is the badge of the XIV Army Corps, and the repetition of four acorns represents the four major engagements in which it fought. The Rock signifies the famous sobriquet, "The Rock of Chickamauga." The Regiment picked up more of its crest in later service, as you will see.

After serving on occupation duty in Alabama until 1869, the 15th went west for 12 years serving in Missouri, New Mexico, the Dakotas, and Colorado. During this time, the regiment fought in campaigns against the Ute Tribe of Colorado and against the Mescalero Apaches. In 1890, companies of the 15th began returning east, and by 1891, Regimental Headquarters had moved to Fort Sheridan. Those companies at Fort Sheridan played a vital role in containing the Chicago Railway Riots of July 1894.

Having been a part of the U.S. Department of Missouri until October 1896, the Regiment then served in the U.S. Department of Colorado until October 1898. With the outbreak of the Spanish-American War, the Regiment moved to Huntsville, Alabama, for intensive training, and in November 1898, it sailed from Savannah, Georgia, to Nuevas, Cuba, for occupation duty. In January 1900, the Regiment sailed home

to be posted in upper New York and Vermont, but not for long. Over the next eight months, unit-by-unit, the 15th assembled in Tientsin, China, to assist with clean-up after the Boxer Rebellion.

*[The next paragraph of this account, which we edited, was received from Bruce Monkman who found the information in American Society of Military Insignia Collectors.]*

While the 15th Infantry Regiment arrived in China, in August 1900, too late to participate in the march on Peking, it returned to Tientsin in 1912 to protect the rail line to Peking. The regiment remained until the Japanese invasion in 1937 forced its withdrawal to Ft. Lewis in March 1938. Its 26 years in China entitled the 15th to use the Imperial Dragon and the pidgin English motto "Can Do" on the crest approved for the regiment on 20 February 1925. As stated earlier, the four acorns and the Rock of Chicamanga symbolize Civil War campaigns with the XIV Corps, whose insignia was the acorn. Chinese jewelers added a small ruby to the mouth of the dragon on the crest made in Tientsin. The crests made in China were slightly larger than the present day ones. During the second stint in China, the 15th was known as a spit and polish outfit, carrying swagger sticks and wearing tailor made uniforms, embellished with the Imperial Dragon on their lapels. When war-lording and rebellion led to the landing of a Marine brigade at Tientsin in 1927, the new arrivals were often fooled into saluting army privates. Impressed by the 15th Regiment's style, Marine Commander, BG Smedley Butler, had the stand-up collars of the Marine tunics altered to resemble the Army's roll collars and the blackened Marine buttons were scraped and shined to match those of the 15th. However the Marines' rifles never matched those of the 15th, each of which had a spare dress stock, carefully polished with linseed oil, for use only on parades. [End of Monkman's material]

A few years ago, "Old China Hand" Thomas A. Mason gave this account of his service with the 15th in China.

Assigned to the 15th Regiment of the 3rd Infantry Division, stationed at Tientsin, Tom joined the Service Company of the 15th in the Transportation Platoon. This, he said, was a glorified term that meant he took care of the horses and mules. Tom didn't like horses and hated mules—a perfect union of man and beast, thanks to the U.S. Army. At that time, a Private in the Army earned \$28.75 per month, but Tom earned an extra \$2.00 per month as a teamster. At that time, the cost of a bottle of beer at the P.X. was nine cents.

In all, Tom said his days with the “Old China Hands” were some of the best of his military career. With official military duties completed by noon each day, the afternoons and evenings were filled with athletics. He and others often questioned why they were there, and what was the purpose of their mission? In later years he concluded that they were the line of communication between Peking and the sea.

Sadly, Thomas A. Mason passed away in September 2009. We are grateful for his brief description of his service with the 15th in China. He was very proud of that service and always referred to himself as an “Old China Hand.”

—*Researched and compiled by Lynn Ball*

## Memorial Day

Belleau Wood



Memorial Day at Belleau Wood U. S. Cemetery. Jocelyne Papelard served as Master of Ceremony and spoke to a gathering of more than 5,000 who attended the well planned event. There are many 3rd Infantry Division Soldiers buried at Belleau Wood, and the French people honor them every year. (Photo by Nathaniel Brescia)

## Overview of Events at Luxeuil and Raddon, France

**...the French people honor all men of the 3rd Infantry Division “who fought everywhere during WWII.” They are all always in the minds and hearts of the French people.**

From communications with Jocelyne Papelard: We received an update from program organizer Jocelyne Papelard regarding the events that took place in Luxeuil and Raddon, France, on September 17 and 18. As you know, Veterans of the 3rd Infantry Division, as well as those of two more divisions that fought in the vicinity of Luxeuil during WWII, were invited to be the guests of the City of Luxeuil for two days. Only Veterans of the 3rd Infantry Division attended. While the representatives of the City of Luxeuil picked up some of our veterans and their guests at the Charles de Gaulle airport in Paris and transported them to Luxeuil, others opted to rent cars. The events at Luxeuil and Raddon were well planned and executed, and we will have more about both events in the December *Watch*, but here is an overview.

The City of Luxeuil received a flag from the State of Pennsylvania which flew over the State Capital and an American flag which flew over the Capital in DC. These two flags were flown on September 17th over the monument which was dedicated in Raddon, France. The monument pictured here honors MOH Recipient Harold O. Messerschmidt, and Lymon Curvin, Maurice Elowitch, and William Ellis (all of whom were killed near Raddon on September 17, 1944), and the “brave men of Company L, 3rd Bn, 30th Regiment, 3rd US Inf. Division.” Jocelyne said the French people honor all men of the 3rd Infantry Division “who fought everywhere during WWII.” They are all always in the minds and hearts of the French people.

Included in the events were a “beautiful color guard commanded by Rear Admiral Hayes, a platoon of US Infantrymen, a firing detail, and the US Europe Band—all supported by French



Monument dedicated by the People of Raddon, France, on September 17, 2011, in honor of MOH Recipient Harold O. Messerschmidt and Lymon Curvin, Maurice Elowitch, and William Ellis (all of whom were killed near Raddon on September 17, 1944), and the “brave men of Company L, 3rd Bn, 30th Regiment, 3rd US Inf. Division.” The event organizer was Jocelyne Papelard.

Infantrymen, French Veterans, and flag bearers.” Jocelyne adds—“Of course our U.S. Veterans were the stars.” All events were covered by TV crews from American Forces Europe TV network. Jocelyne added that they did not “forget the ones lying forever here. We were at the Epinal Cemetery on Monday morning honoring them.”

Some families whose next-of-kin were buried in the temporary cemetery at Saint Juan were able to take home some sacred soil from where their loved ones were interred. “An old lady who is the memory of the cemetery had all of the names with plots and grave numbers. She has worked with the mayor of that small village to ensure that the place where the temporary cemetery stood would stay untouched for one-hundred years.” She assisted the families in gathering the soil.

Speeches sent by our Society President, John Fisher, were read at Luxeuil by Congressman of the District of Luxieuil les Bains and Mayor of Luxieuil Michel Raison, and in the village of Raddon by Mayor Brice. The populations of Luxeuil and Raddon, and the people from the whole valley, sent their gratitude to John Fisher. Jocelyne added her own gratitude, phrased as “and from little old me.”

— *Lynn Ball*



Plans are underway for the Society of the 3rd Infantry Division Scholarship Foundation's 2012 Grant Awards Program. The deadline is May 1, 2012, and it is not too early to prompt your eligible offspring to begin preparing their submissions. In addition to our Legacy Awards in honor of Thomas W. Mason and Major General Maurice Kendall, we already have five donor-sponsored awards to be presented in 2012: "The Adam Kradyna Award in Honor and Memory of James Kradyna," "The 3rd Squadron, 1st Cavalry Award in Honor and Memory of Staff Sergeant Jerome C. Owens," the "Award in Honor and Memory of the 3rd Infantry Division's Life-saving Evacuation of Refugees through the Port of Hungnam, North Korea, December 1950; the "Award in Honor and Memory of SFC Ralph E. "Rick" Rickenbacher, WWII and the Korean War," and an award to be named by donor Trans America Underwriters, Inc. We hope to receive more sponsored awards as these are a wonderful way to remember and honor our loved ones and the special people who touched our lives.

Those eligible to compete for scholarship grants in the amount of \$1000 must be the biological or adopted offspring (children/grand children) of Soldiers who served or are serving in the 3rd Infantry Division, Soldiers (past and present) of the Division, and widows of Soldiers killed in action or who died of their wounds. In all cases, applicants must be registered at a university, college, or technical/vocational school at the time of application.

The August *Watch on the Rhine* included photos and profiles of our ten, 2011 Scholarship Recipients, and we announced their names and the names of their sponsors at the Society Reunion in New Orleans. We have heard from several 2011 donors who were very pleased with the applicants chosen to receive their awards. It was a landmark year for us, as we were able to award more scholarship grants than ever before. Still, there were those we could not serve. It was very difficult for our judges to find the top ten applicants from the large field of submissions received. We commend Earl E. Killen, Jerry B. Kraft, Thomas R. Maines, and Dr. Marco Montoya, and we thank them for their hard work in selecting our 2011 recipients.

Now, for the problems we encountered with the 2011 applications: We publish the application and instructions, and applicants should follow the instructions carefully. All items listed in the application and instructions are needed, and if they are not included, the application is rejected. One example of omissions was the failure to submit a current transcript because the current one was "not yet available." Applicants should send their last official transcript (high school or college) and the "unofficial" transcript showing their current progress or the courses in which they are enrolled. If there is a problem with obtaining an "unofficial" transcript, please have your applicant contact Lynn Ball. She will explain how to obtain the necessary document. Another applicant "declined" to state annual income. Again, this is a requirement listed on the instruction form. Our judges use ALL

information provided to identify the recipients. No one item is more important than any other item. Collectively, they help the judges make good decisions. The only item that judges do not receive in their evaluation packages is the applicant's photograph. Photographs are used only when we publish the recipients' photos and profiles in the *Watch on the Rhine* and on our websites. Nevertheless, a photograph is also a required item.

We look forward to receiving 2012 applications from your offspring. Please share with them the above suggestions for success, both with respect to the Foundation's awards and to any other organization's awards they are seeking. We will provide more tips for success in later issues.

We thank the donors listed below. It is because of our donors' kind support that we are able to provide assistance to some of our 3rd I.D. scholars. We are very proud of our recipients. We truly have a lot of very intelligent offspring in our 3rd Infantry Division family.

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American Bald Eagle pays its respects at the National Cemetery in Minneapolis, Minnesota. (*Minneapolis Star/Tribune*)

# Report on Moxie

For those who have been following the story, Moxie, the pup that Kathy Daddato raised and trained for entry into final training at Southeastern Guide Dogs, has moved to a new level. Kathy said that Moxie was always an enthusiastic learner, and reports from Southeastern support her view. Moxie has passed her physical examinations and all training segments to date, and Kathy hopes she will soon be paired with a sight-impaired Veteran. Currently, 35 Veterans await the companionship and care a guide dog can provide.

Recently, Kathy received a letter from Southeastern "Guide Dogs in Training" purported to be written by Moxie. Portions of it follow.

*"Dear Mom and Dad, I wanted to write you a quick note to let you know how I'm doing in training. I'm having so much fun! I have made lots of new friends and I love my roommates! The Kennel Assistants who are taking care of me are really nice. They pet me and cuddle with me every day." . . . "There is no need to worry about me. I have made so many new friends and I enjoy hanging out with them [every day]. I'm having tons of fun here and I'm learning so much already. I know I am going to make you proud! . . . I miss you and love you very much! Hugs and Wet kisses, Moxie"*

The initial training of a pup for entry into the final stages of the guide dog program is very important as the dog is being trained, at all levels, to provide much freedom and security for a sight-impaired Veteran. Not many people could do this work, because it involves "giving back" a pet with whom the initial trainer has bonded for more than a year. We commend Kathy for her important work with Moxie, and now with Darley, whom she began training six months ago, and we also commend Southeastern Guide Dogs for their sensitivity to Kathy's attachment to Moxie. The let-

ter they sent is very nice and it included pictures and notes to ease Kathy's apprehension concerning Moxie's new life.

As to Darley: she had a rough beginning as she suffered with Salmonella for the first five months of her life. Kathy said she is very tough and fought her way through that nasty illness which veterinarians had great difficulty curing. Darley was sponsored by Bo McCormick, the son of a WWII Veteran. He named the pup "Darley" in honor of his father who carried that nickname. Attendees at the Reunion were impressed with Darley. At six months old, she is a well-behaved, beautiful, Yellow Labrador Retriever.

—from notes sent by Kathleen Daddato



The Florida Calendar Girls with Corey Kent; Kathy Daddato; Darley, Kathy's pup in training; and Corey's father. Kathy and Jerry Daddato visited Corey last year at Walter Reed Medical Center where he was recovering from wounds sustained in Iraq. Recently, the Florida Calendar Girls joined others in honoring Corey. We will have a story on this brave young man soon.

## Cold Ground's Been My Bed: A Korean War Memoir By Daniel Wolfe

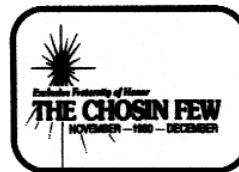
Three years out of high school, Dan was drafted and sent to Korea. He was awarded the Bronze Star for Valor for crawling through burp gun and mortar fire to retrieve the body of his sergeant after his platoon was ambushed.

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# Chaplain's Corner

**Jerry Daddato**



Dear Veterans, Families, and Active Duty Soldiers;

My report will not be long this time. I just hope that everyone is doing fine. Your chaplain is doing just fine with good reports following my surgery last year.

I lost my dear Mother in June; she went to our heavenly Father four days after her 94th birthday. Mom was a good Christian who read the Bible every day and watched church on her TV when she could not longer attend services outside her home so I know who she is with every night. I took care of her for the last 30 years, as I promised my dad I would do before he passed away in 1981. I promised I would take care of mother until she went to heaven so Kathy and I did that. I hurt my back while handling her casket so I had an MRI in early August. That test showed two damaged discs. Surgery is recommended. We are carefully considering that path of action.



Sgt. Robert "Bob" Wakefield

On another sad note we lost our 3rd I.D. friend, Mr. Bob Wakefield. If you attended any of our reunions, you will remember him. There he was—warm weather or not—in his Class-A Uniform. That is what it was called during WWII—Ike jacket and matching OD pants. You could bank on that; he was Mr. WW II. I know he was warm in this wool uniform. His daughter called me to make sure we put his name in "Last Call" in the Watch. I said, "No problem; he will also be in my report, along with his picture." His daughter said the family would keep his uniform as a memorial to their father.

Recently, the following story circulated on the Internet. I thought you might like it.

A young, successful executive was traveling down a neighborhood street, going a bit too fast in his new Jaguar. He was taking care to ensure no children would dart into his path, and he slowed his car when the thought he saw something. Suddenly a brick smashed into his Jag's side door! He slammed on the brakes, jumped out of the car, grabbed the nearest boy, and pushed him up against a parked car while shouting, "What was that all about and who are you? Just what the heck are you doing? That's a new car and the damage from that brick you threw is going to cost a lot of money to repair. Why did you do it?"

The young boy was apologetic: "Please, mister, please. I'm sorry, but I didn't know what else to do. I threw the brick because no one would stop." With tears dripping down his face and off his chin, the youth pointed to a spot just around a parked car. "It's my brother," he said. "He rolled off the curb and fell out of his wheelchair, and I can't lift him up. Would you please help me get him back into his wheelchair? He's hurt and he's too heavy for me."

Moved beyond words, the young executive tried to swallow the

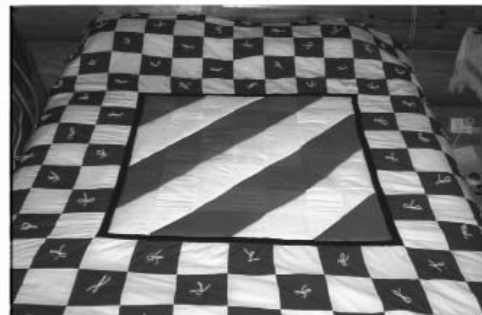
swelling lump in his throat. He hurriedly lifted the handicapped boy back into the wheelchair, then took out a linen handkerchief and dabbed at the fresh scrapes and cuts. A quick look told him everything was going to be okay.

"Thank you; may God bless you," the grateful child told the stranger. Too shook up for words, the man simply watched the boy push his wheelchair-bound brother down the sidewalk toward their home. It was a long, slow walk back to the Jaguar. The damage was very noticeable, but the driver never bothered to repair the dented side door. He kept the dent there to remind him of this message: "Don't go through life so fast that someone has to throw a brick at you to get your attention!" God whispers in our souls and speaks to our hearts. Sometimes when we don't have time to listen, He has to throw a brick at us.

Please keep all our military in your prayers every day until they come back home. We know the Lord keeps them all under his care.

God bless you all. Until we meet again, I remain your Chaplain.

*Jerry Daddato—ROTM*



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# Marne 6 Sends

Dear Editor, Veterans, Dog Face Soldiers, Families, and Friends of the Marne Division:

Please allow me to take this opportunity to introduce myself. I'm Major General Robert "Abe" Abrams, Commander of the Third Infantry Division. My Family (Wife-Connie, Son-Robert) and I came here from the National Training Center at Fort Irwin, CA, and we have been thoroughly impressed since arriving at Fort Stewart/HAAF. Everyone in the Hinesville, Savannah, and all of our coastal Georgia communities and neighbors are extremely supportive. We look forward to serving with you.

During the first month of command, CSM Watson (our new Division CSM) and I met with numerous groups from units, Family Readiness Groups, and the community. As I had discussed with all of our Commanders and CSMs, I wanted to conduct a full assessment of the Division and the installation before I changed anything. Meeting with these groups was part of that assessment. The input we received was tremendous, and I am very grateful to the Family Members who took the time to meet with us. Both the Division and Garrison are hard at work addressing the issues that were raised.

All of our Brigades are in one phase or another of our Army Force Generation Process, known to us simply as "ARFORGEN". Most of the Brigades have completed Reset, which is the six-month post-deployment period during which time Soldiers are reintegrated with their Families, are afforded the opportunity to take leave, equipment is repaired or replaced, and units start individual training such as Basic Rifle Marksmanship. All three Heavy Brigades are scheduled to be completely re-equipped with the newest versions of the Abrams Tank (M1A2-SEP) and Bradley Fighting Vehicle (M2A3 and the Cavalry variant, M3A3), and are currently at various stages of fielding and training. The Brigades are also fielding the

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latest in communications equipment and upgrades in practically every command and control system we have. Together with our new combat platforms this fielding provides an unprecedented, state of the art, digital capability to our fighting force, and makes the Third Infantry Division the most technologically advanced unit in the Army.

The 2nd Heavy Brigade Combat Team conducted a combined arms live fire demonstration in May for a 22 member high level delegation from the People's Republic of China, including the Chinese Army Chief of Staff. This strategic mission was conducted on behalf of the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and was a complete success. What everyone can be justifiably proud of is the dedication and professionalism of the units that made the event such a huge success, notably 1-30 IN and 1-9 FA. These units had not yet completed their equipment draw, and conducted an aggressive and accelerated training plan in order to prepare for the live fire demonstration. The demonstration integrated an air assault combined with direct fire, sniper fire, artillery and mortar fire, close air support, and attack aviation. This was a total team effort, a testament to the skill and professionalism of the Soldiers and leaders in the Third Infantry Division.

The 4th Infantry Brigade Combat Team, Vanguard, redeployed in June, completing their 12-month tour in Iraq. This is the last major redeployment of our forces in 2011, and we should all be proud of their accomplishments. The Brigade ensured Iraqi forces were prepared to conduct independent operations, and that US Forces were safe as we transitioned to Operation New Dawn



Maj. Gen. Robert "Abe" Abrams,  
CG 3ID (Mech)

and started the reduction of forces in Iraq, retrograding equipment and personnel. Additionally, the VANGUARD Brigade conducted a ribbon cutting ceremony on 19 August, marking the opening of and their movement into brand new state of the art facilities here at Fort Stewart.

The Division has conducted several changes of command, adding three new brigade command teams. In June COL Allan Pepin took command of the 3rd Combat Aviation Brigade at Hunter Army Airfield. COL Ron Novack took command of the 3rd Sustainment Brigade on 23 August, and COL Kimo Gallahue took command of the 4th Infantry Brigade Combat Team on 1 September.

The norm for the past eight years has been that when Marne units return from deployment, they soon start the process for the next deployment. However, the situation is now much different. Currently, only the Division Headquarters is slated to deploy, which is scheduled for Iraq this fall. We do not know the specific length of the deployment or the location of the Headquarters, but we are remaining flexible as we prepare for the deployment. The Brigades will all undergo intensive training, focusing on fundamentals, and preparing as a Contingency Expeditionary Force (CEF) to accomplish any mission, anywhere, any time.

Once again, it is great to be here. I am a Dog Face Soldier, and I could not be more proud that I am the Commander of the Third Infantry Division – the best Division in the Army!

ROCK OF THE MARNE!

*Robert "Abe" Abrams,  
Major General, U.S. Army*



### From an Iowa Farm to Korea: 1951-52

*From an Iowa Farm to Korea: 1951-52*, by Dale Geise, is an excellent account of one Soldier's experiences throughout Basic Training and his tours in Korea. This GBC bound, 152-page, well-written volume includes many photographs and other exhibits that add information and clarify some of the excerpts. Throughout the book there are also some handwritten updates which add to its value.

During his experiences in the Army, Dale wrote many letters to his mother, and he kept a pocket notebook. His mother lovingly saved those letters, and they contribute heavily to the content of Dale's work. His pocket notebook supplied other information and names that might have been forgotten had he not had the foresight to capture them in the appropriate timeframe. Not only do we learn what happened in Dale's experiences but we also learn a great deal about his mother from what Dale chooses to share with her in his letters.

The book contains many accounts of Army training exercises that nearly boggle the mind, of snow shoe and ski training—what better place than Hokkaido, the northern most of the Japanese islands—of delayed delivery of winter clothing and poorly insulated sleeping bags, of humorous antics and dalliance our Soldiers engaged in to overcome the fear and boredom of the war zone, and of what happened to the Soldiers who shared Dale's experiences. Sometimes Dale provides a bird's eye view of how military leaders appear to the troops they command.

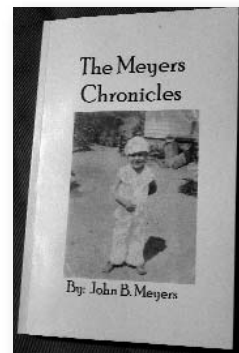
At one point, Dale tells his mother of going to see another outfit put on a platoon demonstration attended by two generals—"A one-star, our division commander and a 3 star boy, General "Iron Mike" O'Daniel, the Corp Commander. These generals go around in helicopters. . . It is funny to see a couple of generals together. [After the demonstration] These big wheels were standing in a group talking. The 2 generals in the middle, then our regimental commander a full colonel, then our battalion commander a Lt. Colonel, plus several little fish, captains and Lts. for yes men. They talked awhile; then the 2 generals and full colonel walked away leaving the rest standing there. The 3 of them talked a short time and then the 2 generals walked about 15 feet away leaving the colonel behind. After a bit the 3 star wheeled around, turned his back on the 1 star and walked to his plane. A captain had brushed off the seat, was holding the door and helped him in. (Smile) they are like little boys or a bunch of frogs trying to prove that each is a bigger splash in the puddle than the rest. I guess your tea leaf reader was right. I am a little bigger wheel now than last month. Was promoted to Sgt. They're going to have to get me out of here or I'll be turning my back on some of these wheels. Is okay to make it though [the rank] and this is as high as I want to go."

In his closing section, Dale begins: "It is with feelings of regret and loss that I close these stories of service to country long

ago." He ends the section with, "Here I am, in the waning days of 2008, still hesitant to write the last lines and end this book. Why have I waited months, even years, to say goodbye? Is it my feeling that, if the flow of memory stops, then the spirits of those men who gave so much will be swept away into a distant and forgotten place? There are others to write of their memories. I must allow the 'doors' of that time to softly close for me. Perhaps, through the pages of this little book, a glimpse of what happened can still be seen. Another generation may hold those spirits close."

*From an Iowa Farm to Korea: 1951-52* can be obtained from Dale Geise, 1051 X Avenue, Boone IA 50036-7476. Call Dale at 1-515-292-5533 for a price or just to talk to him. Dale has donated two copies of this excellent work to the Scholarship Foundation fundraising raffle. [I believe he told me the book was \$15.00 including postage.]

—Reviewed by Lynn Ball



*The Meyers Chronicles*, by John B. Meyers, is just that—a chronicle of events that happened during John's lifetime. He starts with his childhood, shared with six siblings. There are some astounding antics described, especially on the parts of his two brothers and John. The book is episodic but every episode is quite interesting.

In October 1950, at age 22, he was drafted and sent to Fort Benning to be processed into the U.S. Army. While at Benning, he was accused of smiling while in formation. His first, and last, incident of discipline was running around the barracks shouting, "I'm not laughing now." Basic training was at Atterbury, Indiana. His next stop was at Fort Laughton for processing on a troop ship bound for Pusan, South Korea, and assignment to an Infantry company. After a short time on the line, he was transferred to Headquarters Platoon and served the remainder of his 10 ½-month tour as company clerk for I Company, 7th Infantry Regiment.

Upon rotation, John asked to be assigned to Fort Custer, Michigan, near his family, and was immediately assigned to Fort Ord, California, where he served in the 6th Division until being discharged as a Staff Sergeant in 1952. Through the G.I. Bill, John earned a Bachelor Degree at John Carroll University in Cleveland, Ohio. Although it took another eight years, he also earned a Master Degree.

Meyers talks about his early work experiences at Standard Oil and Brush Beryllium Company, and his marriage to Katherine M. Previte. Ultimately, he and Katherine had five children; in 2008, their family numbered 17 with a great grandchild "in the basket," as John Meyers would say. His later career, with General Motors as a labor relations mediator at various levels and later as a personal director, took him and his growing family to many cities,

but his arrival in Baltimore was the beginning of a lifelong problem with high blood pressure. That is not surprising because the employees and union representatives with whom he dealt were extremely unruly. In addition to at least one supervisor taking at least one employee to play golf on company time, there were huge numbers of thefts and fights between and among employees. There were even two murders at the plant facility during his tenure there. That ended when he requested a transfer and was sent to Atlanta, Georgia, where he finished his career in relative peace. He and Katherine purchased their current home in Conyers, Georgia, 35 years ago.

If for no other reason, everyone should read about John's experiences as a labor relations mediator. That topic occupies approximately one-half of *The Meyers' Chronicles*, and it is quite enlightening. There are also many color photographs and exhibits of interest in this volume of 146 pages. Meyers ends his chronicles with this comment: "I wrote this book as I remember the people, places, and dates. And I never let the truth stand in the way of a good story." He hopes the reader will enjoy reading it as much as he enjoyed writing it. If you are interested in obtaining a copy, contact John B. Meyers at 3770 Clubhouse Lane, Conyers, Georgia, 30094, or telephone him at 770-483-4024.

—Reviewed by Lynn Ball

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Total membership	2797
New membership since 91st Reunion	108
Reinstated Members	231
Gift Memberships to be Awarded	9

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## Three 'Musketeers' in Search of Krauts

It was mid-spring of 1945 and the 3rd Infantry Division had entered Nurnberg which had fallen from the mortal blows of massed artillery, bombings, and troop assaults. We had witnessed the raising of the American flag in Adolph Hitler Platz in the central walled city, and then sped on to the south into Bavaria. American advances were a daily occurrence, and the gains were increasing; the German resistance was weakening fast, and large numbers were being taken prisoner every day.

At the 15th Infantry Regimental Headquarters, Audie Murphy was getting bored and restless in his staff assignment. He wanted to be back with the line troops where the action was—where there was great exhilaration—for victory and the war's end seemed to be in sight. Audie paced the floor of the operations room, fidgeting with the flap of his pistol holster. The Operations Officer, Major McLaughlin, and the Intelligence Officer, Captain (Red) Coles, were there, noses buried in maps, studying the fast-moving military situation.

Suddenly, Audie turned to them and, with obvious anticipation in his voice said, "Let's go out and get some Krauts!" The other two looked up from their maps and considered it for at least two seconds; then their eyes lit up with expression as if to say "Yeah, why didn't we think of that before?" "Let's use my jeep," one said. "OK," said another. "We'd better get some M-1 rifles," said a third. And in a cloud of dust, the three musketeers of the 15th Infantry drove off to join in the fray, like school kids off on a picnic. After driving through the advance elements of the American forces, they ran up against a German roadblock near a small bridge. There was a hot exchange of rifle and machine gun fire and then the three sized up the situation as a no-go. They climbed back into their jeep and high-tailed it out of range of the German weapons.

When they returned to headquarters, they appeared to be subdued and related their story somewhat sheepishly. But although they had brought back no Krauts, it was clear that they were satisfied. For a brief period, they had been back in the real battle—back where the action was—back where they felt they belonged.

—By Henry Bodson

## Christmas Dinner in Korea

by Charles "Chuck" Lamlein

"For the past 58 years, I have remembered my Christmas dinner as a young soldier in the 3rd Infantry Division Signal Corps. It occurred in our frontline mess hall tent in December 1952, in Korea's Chorwon Valley. Our unit of less than 100 men was looking forward to a special hot turkey Christmas dinner designed by our chief cook to cheer us up from our Christmas blues. We had just settled down with our turkey with cranberry sauce, when "what to our wondering eyes should appear" but a USO Troupe headed not by a reindeer, but rather by the unforgettable Raymond Burr—better known as "Perry Mason" of TV fame. Raymond had with him a small group of musicians, comics, and best of all, some lovely ladies. They all sat around our dinner tables, sharing our turkey with us, and then gave us a memorable show, right there in our mess tent. It was a Christmas Day never to be forgotten, thanks to Raymond Burr and the USO."



# News From The Outposts

## **2** John S. Cole

Tampa, FL

Our Fall Reunion is at 12:00 Noon, Saturday, November 19, 2011, at Lenny C's Pizzeria, 13101 North Cleveland Avenue, North Fort Myers, Florida. We will celebrate Armistice Day, Veterans' Day, Thanksgiving Day, and the 94th Anniversary of the founding of the Third Infantry Division, November 21, 1917. There will be a brief business meeting for the President's report, a financial report, and a report on the National Reunion, which was held in New Orleans.

Welcome to new members: Lewis Thomason, Willy Erickson and Jon Stearns. Thanks to Samuel Cernek, Patrick Broderick, John Howard, and Allan Sjoholm for their extra contribution to Outpost 2 along with their dues. Thanks to Ron Starkey for volunteering to keep up the Third Infantry Division Memorial Stone at Bushnell Cemetery.

We still have a few "John S. Cole Outpost 2" tee shirts available for \$10.00 each. [Sizes: Large, Extra Large and Extra Extra Large]

If you have computer internet access, be sure to visit the Society website: [www.3rdiv.org](http://www.3rdiv.org).

—Submitted by Robert Gibson, Secretary

## **4** Fort George Wright

Spokane, WA

Outpost #4 met July 13, 2011, after having dedicated its memorial on Memorial Day at the Washington State Veteran's Cemetery, Medical Lake, Washington. There was good attendance for the cemetery's Memorial Service. The day was a little breezy but still a great day. There were photos taken but I don't know when they will be ready to forward to the WATCH and to Bruce Monkman.

President Kerns opened the meeting with the "Pledge of Allegiance" to the Flag, and normal business was conducted; we adjourned at 1:20 P.M. The next meeting is scheduled for Oct. 12, 2011 at 11:30 A.M. Frontier West, Spokane, Washington.

—Submitted by Dale McGraw, Secretary

## **7** Washington, DC

Washington, DC

Outpost #7 will hold its Arlington Veterans Day ceremonies on Friday, November 11, 2011, at 15:00 hours (3 PM) at the 3rd I.D. Monument. The wreath-laying at the Tomb of the Unknowns is scheduled promptly at 16:15 hours (4:15 PM). This will be Dave Adams' last formation as president of Outpost #7, prior to his deployment overseas. Arlington National Cemetery has scheduled the Outpost #7 2012 Memorial Day wreath-laying ceremony on Sunday, May 27, 2012, at 10:15 hours.

Dave Adams recently reported that Pat Williamson will fill the position of Outpost #7 president beginning in January. Page 31 of the December *Watch* will reflect this change in officers for Outpost #7. The Outpost is still looking for a Secretary-Treasurer. Dave Adams hopes this important position is filled before he has to leave for overseas duty.

—Submitted by Dave Adams, President

## **35** Audie L. Murphy

Our next meeting is in Fredericksburg, Texas, on November 12. All members will receive a meeting invitation with the location and other details one month in advance. Perhaps the most important event to take place at the meeting is the presentation of the National Society's "Outstanding Associate Service Award" to Lula Coble. Lula could not attend the reunion so Awards Chairman Nile Stuart requested that we provide a formal presentation of the award on his behalf.

At our June Outpost Meeting, we were privileged to witness the presentation of the French Legion of Honor Medal to Richard F. Sack. The photo here was taken on that occasion. Sadly, Dick passed away on July 23, 2011, at his home in Plano, Texas, with his family members at his bedside. Dick is survived by his wife, outpost member Sue Sack; his daughter, Peggy Sue Malloy, and son-in-law, Benjamin Malloy, as well as grandchildren, Justin and Rachel Malloy, and numerous members of his extended family.



Dick Sack receives French Legion of Honor Medal.



3rd I.D. floral arrangement at Dick Sack's funeral.

Richard Sack was a long time member and former Treasurer of Outpost #35. He received the most prestigious award presented by the Society of the 3rd Infantry Division, The Audie Murphy Achievement Award, in 2007, and Dick was truly a loyal member of the Society and Outpost #35.

He was a Mason and a proud veteran of WWII, during which he served as a medic with Headquarters Division Artillery, and he was awarded a Campaign Ribbon with seven Battle Stars for his service in the European, African, and Middle East Theaters. Additionally, he was awarded the French Croix de Guerre, and as stated above, in June, he received the French Legion of Honor Medal presented by the French government for this service in the southern invasion and liberation of France.

Richard received a Masonic funeral with full military honors at the Oak Park Cemetery in Ligonier, Indiana. He was dearly loved by his family and those of us fortunate enough to call him our friend.

—Submitted by Joe Ball, President

## 5845 Europe

August 15th marked the 67th anniversary of Operation Dragoon, the 7th US Army's landings in Southern France. This largely ignored D-Day of WWII was the second largest amphibious invasion of the war, with three US Army divisions landing simultaneously, preceded by a divisional airborne assault by the 1st Airborne Task Force and commando operations by the 1st Special Service Force and French Commandos. The initial assault was quickly followed by the landing of 7 French divisions which would seize the critical ports of Marseilles and Toulon, while LTG Alexander M. Patch's 7th Army pursued the retreating German 19th Army north for almost 400 miles in the 30 days following the landings before linking up with LTG Patton's 3rd Army at Dijon.

Outpost Europe of the Society of the 3rd Infantry Division together with the French Embassy in Washington hosted the 3rd annual Operation Dragoon ceremony in the Memorial Amphitheater in Arlington National Cemetery on 6 August. Sixteen American WWII veterans of Operation Dragoon and the subsequent Southern France Campaign from the 1st Airborne Task Force, 3rd Infantry Division, 36th Infantry Division and 45th Infantry Divisions were honored. BG McNeely from the National Guard Bureau, BG Schweitzer from the 82nd Airborne, and COL Roger Cloutier from the 3rd Infantry Division represented their respective commands for the ceremony.

Four veterans received the French Legion of Honor, France's highest award, for their WWII service in the liberation of France from Mr. Frédéric Doré, chargé d'affaires at the French Embassy. Recipients were LTG (retired) Richard J. Seitz, Roy Brumfield, John Carter, and John Keller. The ceremony received excellent support from units and agencies in the National Capital Region. LTG Richard P. Zahner delivered the keynote address, and Jennifer Corey, former Miss Washington, D.C., sang the National Anthem.

General David Petraeus, who recently changed command of the International Security and Assistance Force in Afghanistan, attended the ceremony to honor LTG Seitz as well as the other veterans

of this historic operation. Robert D. Maxwell, Medal of Honor recipient from the 3rd Battalion, 7th Infantry Regiment of the 3rd Infantry Division and Veteran of the Operation Dragoon landings also participated.

The event was organized by Captain (retired) C. Monika Stoy, President of Outpost Europe. These events were conducted on 4, 5, and 7 August at the Sheraton National Hotel in Arlington.

—Summarized from an article by Tim Stoy, Secretary-Treasurer

## Marne Riders

[Here are some excerpts from the recent Marne Riders newsletter sent by Denis Noes]

I hope you all are enjoying this very "hot" riding season despite the higher fuel costs as much as I am. Speaking of "Hot," our Marne Riders' membership renewal period is looking great.



A big Hooah! to each of you for your continued support of the Marne Riders and the Society.

**Patches:** in addition to the non-reflective Marne Rider Patches and the 3.5" Patches, we now have reflective 9" Marne Rider vest patches available. Make yourself visible to the cages we share the road with, and show your pride with your reflective 9" Patch.

**Webmaster Wanted:** The Marne Riders' web page needs to be updated, and we need a webmaster. If you have any Web experience (FrontPage) and would like to help the Marne Riders by being the Webmaster, please let me know. One of the priorities of the webpage is to setup Pay Pal for dues collection.

**New Chapter:** A new Chapter of the Marne Riders is in the process of forming within our European Outpost and will be called "Marne Riders Letzbuerg." They have their website up and running and they also have a Facebook page. I see exciting things happening with our fellow Marne Riders in Europe and am looking forward to an opportunity to ride with them. There is also interest in bringing back the Ft. Stewart Marne Rider Chapter. It ceased to operate with past members deployed and transferred to other installations. If you are interested, let me know, and we will schedule a meeting to discuss the future of the Chapter.

**Membership Packages:** New and renewal membership packages have been mailed. These contain a "Look twice, Motorcycles are everywhere and Society of the Third Infantry Bumper stickers, your membership card, Society and Marne Rider fliers, and if you placed a Patch order, those will be included.

The U.S. Army (all units combined) has lost 37 Soldiers this year due to Personally Owned Motorcycle (P.O.M.) accidents. These losses represent a platoon-size element. As you are riding this year, please be sure to wear your protective gear and stay safe!

## Fiscal 2010-2011 Audit: Society of the 3rd Infantry Division

### Statement of Cash Receipts and Disbursements and Fund Balances for the year ended 30 June 2011

#### Cash Receipts

Annual Dues	\$ 29,792
Life Members	4,931
Raffle Tickets	15,497
Scholarship Foundation	1,518
Memorial Fund	1,463
Chateau Thierry Monument	6,155
Decals, Donations and General Fund	3,060
Marne Trail	250
Advertising	304
California Unclaimed Fund	401
Interest	<u>1,482</u>
	64,853

#### Cash Disbursements

<i>Watch:</i> Printing and Postage	25,313
Headquarters Expense: postage, supplies, etc.	4,060
Raffle Expense and Bonds	4,543
Roster Management and Expense	2,039
Dues and Donations to Outposts	6,716
Decals, Membership Ads, and Public Relations	4,137
Chateau Thierry Monument	5,938
Scholarship Foundation	2,267
Awards and Historian Expense	795
Miscellaneous	1,000
Marne Trail	<u>250</u>
	57,058

#### Receipts in Excess of Disbursement

7,795

#### Fund Balance: July 1, 2010

Checking Account	7,335	
Savings Account	48,948	
National Memorial Fund	2,201	
Life Membership Fund:		
Savings	4,872	
Certificate of Deposit: Maturing 6/15/11	29,485	
Certificate of Deposit: Maturing 10/16/10	11,175	
Certificate of Deposit: Maturing 9/29/10	12,551	<u>116,567</u>

#### Fund Balance: June 30, 2011

Checking Account	492	
Savings Accounts	66,823	
Certificate of Deposit: Maturing 9/15/13	30,670	
Certificate of Deposit: Maturing 6/16/12	11,204	
Certificate of Deposit: Maturing 10/29/11	12,750	
National Memorial Fund	2,423	\$ <u>124,362</u>

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To the President and the Executive Committee  
The Society of the Third Infantry Division

I have reviewed the accompanying Statement of Cash Receipts, Disbursements, and Fund Balances of The Society of the Third Infantry Division for the year ended June 30, 2011. My review consisted of reviewing on a test basis, the cash receipts and disbursements as well as the cancelled checks, deposits, bank statements, bank reconciliations, general ledger, and the resulting statements.

Based on my review, I am not aware of any material modifications that should be made to the accompanying statement in order for it to present fairly the financial activity and conditions of The Society of the Third Infantry Division for the year ended June 30, 2011.

The Chateau Thierry Fund has been used to repair the Chateau Thierry Monument.

ROTM,  
*David W. Mills*  
National Auditor

July 28, 2011

#### Auditor's Report:



MOH recipients Charles Murray and Audie Murphy at a ceremony at Fort Benning after WWII. At the time, Charles Murray was a captain; Murphy was the most decorated veteran of WWII. (Reprinted from clippings sent by Don Hotz from the August 18th article in *The Fort Jackson Leader*.)

# MOH Recipient Passes Away



Charles Patrick Murray, Jr. in 2008. (Source: [www.medalofhonorconvention.com](http://www.medalofhonorconvention.com))

only a month prior to his death, he had acquired a pacemaker.

Murray was born in Baltimore, Maryland, on September 26, 1921, but soon moved to Wilmington, North Carolina. He attended the University of North Carolina but was drafted into the U.S. Army in 1942, following his third year at the university.

Upon arriving in northeastern France in October 1944, Murray was assigned as a replacement platoon leader to Company C, 30th Infantry Regiment, 3rd Infantry Division. The division had landed in Saint-Tropez on the southern coast of France months earlier and was pushing northward towards Germany. On December 8, 1944, Murray became company commander.

Early on December 16, Company C crossed the Weiss River in the northern Vosges Mountains and established a defensive position atop Hill 512, just south of the village of Kaysersberg. Later that morning, 1st Lieutenant Murray led a platoon-sized patrol on a reconnaissance mission to the southeast, towards Ammerschwihir. Descending the vineyard-covered hill along a winding footpath, the group observed German soldiers in a sunken road, about 150 yards away, firing on an American hill-top position. Creeping forward to a point from which he could see the German unit, about 200 men strong, Murray made a radio call for artillery support. When the artillery landed slightly off target, he attempted to adjust, but the radio went dead. Not



wanting to send his patrol against the much larger German force, he gathered rifle grenades from his men and returned to his vantage point to begin a single-handed attack on the enemy position. Although his fire alerted the Germans to his location, he continued to fire grenades and later an automatic rifle into the German unit. As the soldiers attempted to withdraw, he disabled a truck which was carrying three mortars. Members of his patrol brought up their own mortar, and Murray directed its fire until the Germans had scattered towards Ammerschwihir. Continuing on the footpath, he and his men captured ten German soldiers. An eleventh soldier approached him with his helmet off and his arms raised. When Murray turned to shout orders, the soldier tossed a grenade; the explosion knocked Murray to the ground and sent eight pieces of shrapnel into his left leg. After getting to his feet, he stopped his men from killing the prisoner. Only after organizing the patrol into a defensive position did he turn over command of the company and find an aid station.

After receiving medical treatment, Murray rejoined his unit on December 28, 1944. In March 1945, he learned that he had been recommended for the Medal of Honor and, per Army policy, was removed from combat. He remained with his division and was in Salzburg, Austria, on May 7, 1945, when a ceasefire was declared. The next day, Germany's surrender was finalized and the war in Europe ended.

Murray was awarded the Medal of Honor on August 1, 1945, during a ceremony in Salzburg, with the entire 3rd Infantry Division in attendance. He arrived home in Wilmington in September to a hero's welcome, but later returned to Europe and served four years of occupation duty. During this time, he was stationed in Salzburg and became the head U.S. intelligence officer in that city. He remained in the Army after WWII and served during the Korean and Vietnam Wars. Eventually he rose to the rank of colonel and commanded the 3rd US Infantry Regiment—a ceremonial unit tasked with guarding the *Tomb of the Unknowns*. In 1970, Murray transferred to Fort Jackson and remained there until his retirement in 1973. In civilian life, Murray worked for the South Carolina Department of Corrections.

In addition to the Medal of Honor, Murray received three Silver Stars, two Bronze Stars with Valor devices, a Purple Heart, and the Combat Infantryman Badge for his World War II service.

—Compiled from research by Lynn Ball

*[I read many sources in compiling this article. I have tried to use the most accurate information I could find. I did notice that the retelling of Charles Murray's story has resulted in many versions. I verified my version against the official citation of his brave deeds. The Watch extends many thanks to Don Holz, a veteran of WWII and a long time friend of Murray's, for his submission of several news clippings and for his encouragement.]*

Charles Murray and his wife, Anne, after his return from Europe in September 1945. (Reprinted from clippings sent by Don Hotz from the August 18th article in *The Fort Jackson Leader*.)

# Labor Saving Devices

—By Dale Geise

Thompson got tired of digging one day and decided (a strong word for the mental process that produced the following action) to build a bunker the easy way. He had been picking and shoveling a bunker hole on the mountainside without the aid of energy or enthusiasm. He would rather explain his actions to an admiring group of buddies by saying, “Why not use plastic explosive, a proven labor saver?”

“Why not indeed?” replied his friends, who were reluctant to criticize and barely capable of applying critical judgment to the project. We had easy access to plastic explosives and training in its use, but commanders would likely frown on frivolous use of it. Blowing a hole in the mountain, rather than digging it, would be “frivolous.” Nevertheless, Thompson was busy on his construction site molding his own bunker charge.

Preston A. Sneed from Tennessee, a singularly nice guy and as lanky as it’s possible to be, wandered by. He squatted on the uphill side of Thompson and studied the molding process.

“What are you all going to do with that?” Sneed innocently asked.

“I’m tired of digging, and I’m going to blow a hole in this \_\_\_\_\_ mountain,” said Thompson cheerfully.

Sneed leaned back on his elbows against the mountain and looked at the sky. “Blowin’ things up over here might draw fire from our friends over there,” he said slowly and waved at the haze of hills across the valley.

“Well, so,” replied Thompson, slowly realizing Sneed was on his side. He stopped patting the plastic explosive.

“Another little thing,” suggested Sneed, “You’re going to blow rocks and dirt all to hell and gone and halfway to the command bunker.”

“Could be,” said Thompson, still unwilling to accept that his plan was a little nutty.

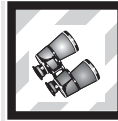
“Well,” predicted Sneed, “the ones who come out of that bunker are going to ask what you are doing and ask you to explain it. Are you ready for that?”

“Oh, dammit, said Thompson, “you’re ruining my fun. Where are they going to send me—on R and R to rest? No, I’m at the worst they can do to me.”

Sneed wandered away and Thompson sat pondering his mission, which he was slowly realizing had no good ending. If he blew a hole in the hillside, the officers who would come to visit might assign him multiple bunker building—with an extra dull entrenching tool.

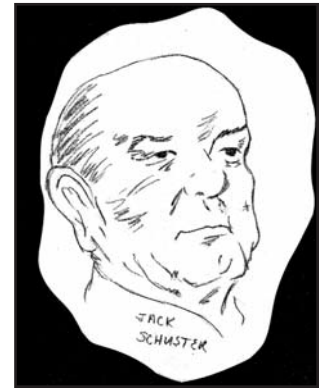
With a sigh toward fun, that only produces trouble, he reluctantly put away the explosive and picked up his shovel.

*In about 2002, while visiting my dear friend, “Nervous” Nissen, at Grand Island, Nebraska, we laughed in fond memory of Thompson’s bunker construction plan. Two of my granddaughters, Hallie and Natalie, were with us at lunch. Virgil was then battling prostate cancer, and it was good to see him enjoying Thompson’s “plan” that he had observed those long years ago.*



## Looking for...

The *Watch* is looking for **Jack Schuster** or his family members. The image reproduced here is of a larger, pencil-sketch of Jack. We would like to give the sketch to Jack or to his family members. Please send information to Lynn Ball; see contact information on page 2.



Jack Schuster.

**58th Field Artillery:** *The Watch on the Rhine* is looking for stories about the 58th Field Artillery in Korea. We have received a complaint in which the writer asked why he has not seen a story about HIS unit, the 58th FA, since they were in Korea. The reason why is simple: no Veteran of the 58th FA has sent a story.

Upon receiving the complaint, I did some research via the Internet. There is much written about the 58th FA during WWII, and I could not find a history of their very important work in Korea. There are many sites where Veterans of the 58th can find buddies and an equal number which list casualties, commanding officers of the unit, and other such itemized information. None of these lent itself well to a story. What we need are personal accounts from our 58th FA Veterans. Stories and photographs are welcome. In fact, we are anxious to receive stories about all units in all conflicts and all timeframes of service. It is not our intention to exclude anyone or any unit. Please send us stories. Remember that I will return your photographs after publication.

Gun crew of 58th Field Artillery Battalion, Battery B, 3rd Infantry Division, Iron Triangle, Korea. Note the camouflage netting



We did find two photographs of a 58th FA gun crew on the Internet; however, both were taken during the defense of Outpost Harry which occurred after my correspondent served in Korea.



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# Roll Call

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Regular Life		Associate Life		Annual to Life		Regular Annual	
8728 MIKE GROENEVELD 10ENG/A CW/May75-May78 1LT Referred by Monika Stoy	OPMA	8547 MICHAEL E. DEMIRJIAN 3-4 CAV, 3-17 CAV, HAAF OIF-CURRENT LTC One Year Gift Membership from Lawrence Budzeyko-Referred by John Fisher Invitation	OPMA	8726 LANCE C. VARNEY 3-7CAV, 2HBCT OEF/Jan11- Present LTC Referred by Website	OPMA	8508 CSM EDD WATSON 3ID 1981-Present Commans Sgt Major One Year Gift Membership from Bernard E. Perry	OPMA
8708 GENE M. FRICE 517th Parachute Regimental Combat Team COL No Referral	OP 63	8550 JEFFREY C. DENIUS HHC/3-15INF, HHC/1-15INF, GS/DSTB/3ID, HHC/3-69AR OIF/Jul06-Present LTC One Year Gift Membership from Donald Zelles/Referred by John Fisher Invitation	OPMA	8719 KEN B. WYBAN HHC/3ID GW/Jul89-Jul92 SGM Referred by Richard Martinet	OP 57		
8718 EDLA (MARIE) T. GODFREY Referred by Monika Stoy	OP 5845	8712 DAVID B. GOOCH 3ID Referred by Website	OP35	<b>Associate Annual</b>			
7166 DOUGLAS J. BOWYER 3ID, 7ID, 11TH CAV CW/67-71 SSGT	OP 54	8727 GARY L. HARSLEY JR 15INF/B/1BN CW/Dec86-Nov88 PFC Referred by Website	OP 35	8503 GILLES BIGELBACH ASSOCIATE Referred by Marne Riders	FBA	8714 IAN C. CAMERON-MOWAT ASSOCIATE Referred by Monika Stoy	OP 5845
8379 RICHARD M. MASTERSON 64ARM/3BN/ B CW/Sep78-Sep81 1SGT	OP 63	8516 WAYNE R. HERTEL DSTB, 3ID 1-9FA OIF/Jun10- Current LTC One Year Gift Membership from John Keller/Referred by John Fisher Invitation	OPMA	8716 JOE CONWAY ASSOCIATE Referred by Monika Stoy	OP 5845	8715 MICHAEL D. GOLDEN Associate - Father 3ID Dragoon/ A HEAVY Referred by Monika Stoy	OP 5845
7683 RICHARD A. SERIO 7INF/H KOREA/51-53 SGT	OP 11	8722 KENNETH H. LETHCOE 3/4 -4/4 CAV B TRP CW-Jan88- Apr92 SPC Referred by Marne Riders	OP 63	8707 JAMES KEMMER ASSOCIATE Referred by Marne Riders	FBA	8725 BONNIE R. MILLER ASSOCIATE Widow of Harry S. Miller	OP 17
5024 JEFFREY J. WESTCOTT ASSOCIATE	OP 11	8518 GEORGE E. LEWIS III 4-3 BSTB, 4th IBCT, DIV/HQ OIF/Aug 08-Jun 12 LTC One Year Gift Membership from Richard Mc Kiddy/Referred by Invitation from John Fisher	OPMA	8729 PHYLLIS MUSCANERO ASSOCIATE Referred by Henry Burke	OP 7	8709 ALEXANDER S. PRATT ASSOCIATE Referred by Monika Stoy- Sherm Pratts' grandson	OP 5845
		8723 JEFFREY D. MORRIS 3ID Referred by Marne Riders	OP 35	8711 JON R. STEARNS ASSOCIATE Referred by Website- Father was WWII- 3ID/504thMP Bn/ Capt H.F. Stearns	OP 2	8706 ROLAND WEISS ASSOCIATE Referred by Marne Riders	FBA
		8548 JAMES P. SNYDER 3rd CAB, 603rd ASB OIF/Jul09- Present CSM One Year Gift Membership from Harry E. Kee/Referred by John Fisher Invitation	OPMA				
		8512 DANIEL M. STEINER 2/64 ARMOR, 3/64 ARMOR/1BDE CW/75-77 One Year Gift Membership from Stephen J. Rogers/Referred by Henry Burke	OP 12				
		8724 KURT R. STRIDINGER 6/41 FA, 3/1 FA CW/Sep90- Apr93 SSGT Referred by Marne Riders	OP 33				



# Letters to the Editor

The June *Watch on the Rhine* carried a brief mention of seven veterans who received the French Legion of Honor award in a ceremony in Arlington, Virginia, in December 2010. At the time of that writing, I did not have individualized information about the recipients, but since publication of the article, Paul J. Schewene wrote to me on behalf of one of the recipients, his father, Louis E. Schewene. Paul wanted to set the record straight regarding Louis' service with the 3rd Infantry Division during WWII. Louis served in Company B, 290th Combat Engineer Battalion with specialization in mine detection. The 290th was attached to the 7th Regiment for five days in 1945. When the 7th Regiment was relieved by the 112th Regiment of the 28th Division, the engineers were attached to the 112th. Many times during this difficult period, the engineers fought as infantry. Paul is very proud of his father's service in Europe during WW2.



Louis E. Schewene

Sadly, Louis passed away on 5 June 1995. The French Knight of the Legion of Honor was awarded to him posthumously.



**General Cucolo's New Assignment:** For those who have not yet heard the news, the Chief of Staff of the Army recently announced that Former Third Infantry Division Commander Maj. Gen. Tony Cucolo will serve as the director of Force Development in Washington, D.C. The Force Development office falls under the Deputy Chief of Staff, G-8. Its mission is to equip the Army through a balanced investment program in accordance with Army strategy and priorities to provide Soldiers and units the right and modern equipment to succeed in current and future full spectrum operations. This news, relayed by Fort Stewart spokesperson, Kevin M. Larson, arrived too late for inclusion in the August *Watch*. We wish MG Cucolo good fortune in his new assignment. We know he will perform his duties well, just as he did as commanding General of our Division.



**Ginger Cucolo**, MG Cucolo's spouse, wrote to inform us of recent the publication of her book, *Dog Tags: The History, Personal Stories, Cultural Impact, and Future of Military Identification*. We will publish a review of the book in the December *Watch*. Ginger has donated the review copy to the Scholarship Foundation's next raffle. Thanks, Ginger; the Foundation is grateful for your help.



**Kevin Larson** reports: In a Change of Command ceremony at Cottrell Field, Fort Stewart, on August 23, 2011, Col. Shawn

Morrissey passed command of the 3rd Sustainment Brigade to Col. Joseph Novack. Col. Morrissey was brigade commander since August 27, 2008, and recently redeployed the brigade from Joint Base Balad, Iraq, where the brigade helped lead retrograde operations. Morrissey will retire after 31 years of service.



**Donald Hotz** wrote about MOH Recipient Charles P. Murray, Jr.: A hero has passed away. I saw him quite often when his health was better. We both were members of the same Legion Post and the same M.O.P.H. Chapter. His attendance at both [until recently], was very good. He usually would sit with me and whoever was with me. He always greeted us with the phrase, "Watch on the Rhine." I and a group of volunteers attend most deployments of primarily naval volunteers after training at Fort Jackson. Col. Murray would usually pose for photos when people found out who he was. When he showed up, it was necessary to greet him quickly before the cameras came out.

The Legion Post has requested our honor guard at the service on Wednesday [8/14/11]. I can't make up my mind which hat to wear: Legion, MOPH, or 3rd Division Association.

*In a follow-up note that accompanied many news clippings concerning the passing of MOH Recipient Charles P. Murray, Jr., Donald said he chose the wrong hat.*

Most of the honorary pallbearers were from the MOPH chapter. The Legion asked me first so I went with them. Henry Burke was taken into the service by us, but we didn't get the best seats. Col. Shwedo did his usual fine job of speaking. I have no idea when the interment will be.



**Frank Pistone** of Outpost #17 called to say that Bernard Sharpiro died on August 17, 2011. Bernard participated in five invasions during WWII: North Africa, Sicily, Salerno, Naples and Anzio. He was awarded the Silver Star for valor during battle outside Anzio, Italy, in the spring of 1944. Bernard, a member of Outpost #54, lived in Petaluma, California.



**Bob Rosen** wrote: Dear Lynn; I have just read the subject article in the August *Watch on the Rhine* and have a few comments [regarding the article on the Battle at the Chosin Reservoir]. But first – I was there and my description of the first two nights is attached. As far as I have ever read or heard D Company 10th Engineers, 3rd Infantry Division, was the only 3rd ID unit that actually fought with the 1st Marine Division within the "trap." Following the night of November 28/29, D Company was attached to the 3rd Battalion First Marine Regiment. We occupied a portion of the perimeter each night until the time came for the breakout to the south. During the days we performed Engineer missions such as runway clearing and placement of mine fields.

After the successful return to Hungnam we rejoined our unit and participated in the final departure from North Korea on Christmas Eve.

The units you discuss were 7th ID units, if I remember correctly they were a battalion each of the 31st and 32nd Infantry Regiments. The story of those units on the east side of the reservoir is even worse than your article portrays.

I was also at the reunion of the Army Chapter of the Chosin Few when the colors of those two units were brought forward (they are now part of the 10th Mountain Division). The Presidential Unit Citation streamers were hung on the colors in a most moving way by a Marine Major General, who, at the end of his remarks stepped back from the podium, signaled the bandmaster and sang the Battle Hymn of the Republic wonderfully.

It took from 1950 to 2000 to make this award. It happened only when and because, history finally told the story of those few days in November of 1950, and as you say, only when both Army and Marine spokespersons told the tale.

Lynn please keep up your good work for the Association. As a life member, I enjoy every issue.

—Bob R. Colonel, USA Ret.

*Bob attached an excellent article with excerpts from Combat Support in Korea, detailing actions of D Company, 10th Engineers, while attached to the 1st Marines from November 27th until their rescue from the Chosin area.*

*Comments on the above: The Presidential Unit Citation referred to above, was awarded to the 1st Marine Division, reinforced, for actions for the period 27 November 1950–11 December 1950. On September 14, 1999, the Secretary of the Navy authorized the addition of several Army Units to participate in this Presidential Unit Citation. They include 1) HQ 31st Infantry, 2) 31st Heavy Mortar Co., 3) 31st Medical Co., 4) 31st Service Co., 5) 3rd Bn 31st Infantry, 6) 1st Bn, 32nd Infantry, 7) 32nd Heavy Mortar Co., 8) 32nd Medical Co., 9) C Company, 13th Engineers; 10) 57th FA Bn (less C Battery) 11) D Battery 57th FA (less 2nd Platoon), 12) 15th A.A.A.*

*The 7th Regiment, 3rd Infantry Division, was recognized by the Chinese field reports as “The Enemy at Sachang-ni.” Chinese reports state the Army and Marine units in Chosin area numbered about 10,000, nearly double their original estimate. Chinese strength is estimated by the 8th Army G-2 to have been 48,000. Many of our 7th Regiment Soldiers remember the poor condition of the Marines and Soldiers when they passed through on their way south after the Chosin Battle. The 7th moved north covering the retreat of these units and later headed south to Hungnam. The badly beat up Marines and Army were evacuated on 12/11/50. Most 3rd Infantry units left the beach at Hungnam on 12/24/50.*

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**Dale McGraw** sent this note with his Outpost #4 report: Thanks Lynn, you do a terrific *Watch*.

—Dale.

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**Robert Gibson** sent a note with his Outpost #2 report: Thanks for the great job on the August issue.

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**Charles Lamlein** called to share some good news with us. His grandson, Kurt Yaeger, who received a Scholarship Foundation grant three years ago, has been accepted at Georgetown Medical

School in Washington, DC, where he will study to become a surgeon. Kurt’s younger brother, Erich, also a previous scholarship grant recipient, is doing well as a sophomore at Washington University in St. Louis, Missouri. Charles said the family is very proud of Kurt and Erich’s successes. We too are proud of them. It is wonderful to hear news of our scholarship grant recipients. We hope more of them will let us know of their progress in school and in their careers.

**John Shirley** wrote: Dear Lynn; Thanks for another great *Watch*. Your report on Scholarships was very impressive. You and your committee have taken the scholarship program to great heights. The reunion promotion piece was good [...] I invited James Arness to attend a reunion about ten years ago. He wrote me a nice letter declining, but he said he was proud to be a veteran of the Third Infantry Division. With best wishes, John.

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**Bruce Monkman** wrote with reference to the story in the August *Watch* entitled “The Route to Berchtesgaden.” The story by G. K. Guennel was most interesting and a memory jogger. The second day after it was taken by the 7th Infantry Regiment, a co-worker and I got permission to use a jeep to go over to Hitler’s mountain lair. When we got there, there were French trucks everywhere, while we wandered around. I think mainly I hoped to get a small souvenir from the place. In every building, the rooms were already bare, empty of everything. But in one, I found a bottle of wine, unsealed. Oh boy, a bottle of Hitler’s wine. Wow!

I carefully protected it so it wouldn’t get broken on the way back to our bivouac area, and I kept it until we were in Salzburg, Austria, camped on the grounds of Prince Hellbrunn’s castle. Then, as it was getting close to our time to go home, I got about three of my buddies together to do one last celebration—to open the wine and toast our luck and friendship. But, it wasn’t to be; the wine had turned to vinegar.

The picture and comment in Guennel’s article, about his wine sled, reminded me of my own little adventure. I included the story in my book, *Act 2, WW2: The Adventures of Bruce Monkman*, which you reviewed in an earlier issue. I took a few pictures when at Berchtesgaden, and the views of the countryside were spectacular.”

—Bruce Monkman, 9th FA Bn.

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**Jerry Daddato** wrote to share a message he received from Rev. Martin “Marty” Fors. Marty wrote: Hi, Jerry, I appreciate very much your writings in ‘Chaplain’s Corner.’ Regarding the “sneeze” in your last article, check out <http://www.snopes.com/politics/religion/sneeze.asp>. Sadly, evil forces in our country keep trying to exclude the name of God and Jesus, prayer, and other blessings in public places. A late example is the situation at the Houston National cemetery: <http://www.thenewamerican.com/culture/faith-and-morals/8370-houston-natl-cemetery-draws-ire-for-christian-prayer-ban-at-funerals>. God bless you and your ministry. ROTM.

—Rev. Martin Fors, aka Marty.

*Reverend Fors is referencing the Society Chaplain’s Report in the August Watch. As the story went, 92 graduates at a ceremony believed to be at the University of Maryland created a novel way to show their faith when one graduate walked onto the stage and sim-*

ply stood there. As pre-arranged, suddenly all of the graduates sneezed. The student on the stage said, "God Bless you" and then walked away. The entire audience of graduates, families, and friends burst into applause. There is evidence that this event actually happened at a high school, not at the University of Maryland. Marty has provided the website which records a different version of this encouraging story.



**Joe Anello** wrote to let us know that he saw Dave and Shirley Mills in Norfolk, Virginia, at the Korean War Ex POW Reunion, where Dave was elected 1st Vice President of the Association. Congratulations, Dave. Additionally, Dave is a Western Region Committeeman and our Society Auditor. He holds positions of management in other military organizations, as well.



Dave Mills (Center) is sworn in as 1st Vice President of Korean War Ex POW Association.



**Kathy Hermard** sent an Excel file summarized from a hand-written daily "duty roster" maintained by her father [Robert Hoskinson] who was captured by the Germans in the Alsace-Lorraine area and sent to Stalag XIII-C, during WWII. It lists about 200 men from many units, some of whom, Kathy said, served with the 15th and 30th Infantry Regiments of the 3rd Infantry Division. The file does not lend itself to a story because it lists only the following information: Name of the Soldier, Rank, Date of Capture/Transfer, Division/Unit # (in code), POW #, POW Squad #, POW Platoon #, followed by a column for notes; however, there are few notes. Kathy looked up the names of the POWs on the National Archives POW Database and found information indicating that some served with the 15th and 30th Regiments; however, her findings are not included in the Excel file.



**Ray and Jan Bednarchik** sent some *Watch on the Rhine* newspapers from 1919 and 1920. We thank Ray and Jan and assure them that we will share information contained in those Army of Occupation papers with our readers.



# Quartermaster

Contact Pat Williamson for a catalog and for shipping costs for multiple items.

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# Old Song Won't Fade Away

*The following article was sent to the Watch by Bernadine Ginter. It was written by now deceased Bob Curran and appeared in the Buffalo News on 10/10/87. This article ran with a photograph of a Purple Heart and the caption "Purple Heart carries memories."*

"Some of us are bothered by sportscasters who say a college game is going to be a real war,' the man at the Salute to Veterans said on Saturday." "You could clarify the difference between a game and a situation where there is a no guarantee that you'll be around for breakfast the next morning by repeating a little 'bed-time story' you told on Veterans Day five years ago."

"Well here it is with the realization that the message won't get through to some of those who bother that veteran. . .

The four of them were so young and so unafraid as they walked up the dirt road in France. They had volunteered to serve at the point of the patrol—the unit that would go ahead of the main body and draw the enemy's fire—and they hoped they would find Germans that night.

Then the machine gun opened up and one of them was dead and one of the three who plunged into the trench by the side of the road was wounded.

Now the bullets from the machine gun stitched the ledge above them, and for the first time, one of them felt a fear so terrible it would wake him from a sound sleep 10 years later.

At first there were noises of a firefight in the town at the bottom of the road. Then it was quiet and the three survivors knew that the men in the main body had gone back to their lines, assuming that those in the point were dead.

The night was dark, but each time they stirred the machine gunner seemed to know and the bullets would spray dirt on them again.

As one of them wondered how his family would learn of his death, he thought he heard the sound of music. Then he heard a voice say, 'If you surrender, you will be able to spend the rest of the war in one of our comfortable prison camps. This war is not your doing. Why fight any longer?'

Because they were in Indian file, they could not communicate easily. But they knew that if they did surrender, there would be no prison camp for the wounded man.

Now they began moving slowly toward the ghost town at the bottom of the road. They were keenly aware that because dawn was not far away they would have to take the short route through the middle of the town.

When they reached the main street, one of the men scouted ahead while the second man carried the wounded soldier. As they worked their way slowly, they knew they wouldn't have a chance if there were Germans in any of the buildings. And each

time a shutter creaked or was blown against a wall, they winced, realizing that the noise might be the last noise they would ever hear.

They made it through the town and the eight miles beyond it and delivered their buddy to the medics.

A few days later, the two survivors were taken to a rest area for a hot meal and a shower. During a lull, one of them said, "I didn't say anything before, but I could have sworn I heard someone playing the 'St. Louis Blues' the night John got it."

The other man laughed and said, "You did. So did I. This morning that major in S-2 told me that the Germans have been using a recording that starts with a song and then goes into a surrender speech."

Two days later a mortar fragment went into the second man and sent him home.

An old Army saying advises that 'when a soldier leaves his outfit, all debts and friendships are canceled.' And so it has been with those three who on one night shared a bond that few men have known. There have been no reunions and not even a Christmas card.

Unlike the debts and friendships, the memories can't be canceled. And at times a radio will bring the strains of the 'St. Louis Blues' to one of them who is reading late into the night. When he hears the song, he [arises], walks to the window, and stares into the darkness. Before long the quiet street in Western New York becomes a dirt road in France.

In a little while, the four phantoms come up the road—So young; So unafraid; So long ago; but always yesterday."

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**Jasper Prewett**, of Tulsa, Oklahoma, passed away on July 11, 2011. Jasper served with G Company, 2nd Battalion, 15th Infantry Regiment, in Korea, 1951-52. He was a member of the 15th Infantry Regiment Association. —Reported by his wife, Melba, to John Burke

**Edith Kohler**, of Burbank, Ohio, spouse of Outpost #57 member, Robert R. Kohler, passed away on February 11, 2011. —Reported by Robert Kohler, H Company, 15th Infantry Regiment, Korea 1951-52.

### So that his brethren shall know...

Please report the death of any member of the Society of the Third Infantry Division to Richard W. Heller, Database Manager (address, p.2) for listing in the "Last Call."



# CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

**October 3-6, 2011:** 17th Annual Korean War Veterans Association Reunion in Las Vegas, Nevada. For more information, call 1-800-523-4715.

**October 8, 2011:** Outpost #60 will begin its fall meeting at 11:00 AM (EST), at Chines Buffet on the 280-80 By-Pass in Phenix City, Alabama. The cost of lunch is \$9.00 per person, and it is an all-you-can-eat food bar, including beverage and dessert. The dress code is casual. Come and have a good time with old and new friends.

**October 12, 2011:** Outpost #4 will hold its fall meeting at 11:30 AM at Frontier West, Spokane, Washington.

**October 30, 2011:** Outpost #18 will meet at 10:30 AM at Five Pillars Supper Club, County Highway H, Random Lake WI 53075-1524. This is the Packers Bye Week.

**November 2011:** The fall meeting of Outpost #15 is in the early stages of planning. At present, Curtis Gentry is working to enter the outpost in a Veterans' Day Parade with a meal and meeting to follow. Details will be provided to members when available.

**November 11, 2011:** The Outpost #7 Veteran's Day wreath-laying is at 3:00 PM at the 3rd I.D. Monument and at 4:15 PM at the *Tomb of the Unknowns* on Friday, November 11, 2011. Parties interested and participating must report 30 minutes early. Check with Outpost President Dave Adams regarding required attire/dress code at the ceremony.

**November 12, 2011:** Outpost #35 will hold its Veterans' Day meeting, hosted by James Timmens, in Fredericksburg, Texas. Details will be sent to all members one month in advance of the meeting.

**November 12, 2011:** Outpost #54's Veterans' Day luncheon meeting will be held at the Brass Door Restaurant, 2154 San Ramon Blvd., San Ramon, CA. (925-837-2501). Members will gather at 11 AM to visit. Following lunch, introductions, and a brief business meeting, the program will include pictures and a talk pertaining to the commemoration ceremonies in Luxeuil, France, and several other villages in the Vosges Mountain area where the 3rd Infantry Division fought. We look forward to seeing members and friends.

**November 19, 2011:** Outpost #2 will hold its fall meeting at 12:00 Noon at Lenny C's Pizzeria, located at 13101 North Cleveland Avenue, North Fort Myers, Florida.

**December 3, 2011:** Outpost #5 will meet at the Marriott Courtyard Montvale NJ; the hospitality room is reserved from 12:00 to 6:00 PM. The room rate for those staying overnight is \$89.00. For reservations and directions to the Marriott, call 800-321-2211 or 201-391-7700 and mention the 3rd Infantry Division. Prices for meals per person are \$35.00 for dinner and \$15.00 for

breakfast. Please make your check payable to Society of the 3rd Infantry Div. OP 5 and send it to Treasurer Pat Williamson at 530 Hemingway Drive, Hockessin DE 19707. We hope for a good turnout.

**December 8-11, 2011:** Battle of the Colmar Pocket Commemoration, Sheraton National Hotel, Arlington, VA, 888-637-8210, \$94; group name: "Battle of the Colmar Pocket." Events will include historical seminars, a commemorative ceremony, and an awards banquet with a Legion of Honor award ceremony. Contact Monika Stoy for information: 703-912-4218 or monikastoy@yahoo.com.

**May 27, 2012:** OP #7's 2012 Memorial Day wreath-laying ceremony is scheduled at 10:15 AM.

**August 2012:** Outpost Europe plans to conduct a seminar and commemorative events in Arlington, Virginia. For more information, contact Monika Stoy: 703-912-4218 or monikastoy@yahoo.com.

**August 22-25, 2012:** The Reunion of the Fraternity of Honor, "The Chosin Few," will be held at the Crown Plaza Riverwalk Hotel in downtown San Antonio, Texas. The hotel is located on the San Antonio River—the famous Riverwalk is one of the premiere visitors' attractions in the city. The room rate is \$109.00 per day, plus tax. Additional information will be published when available. Members of the Chosin Few are Army and Marine survivors of the Korean War Battle at Chosin Reservoir in November-December 1950.

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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*. 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 2012.

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."

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**WORLD WAR I [2 Medals of Honor]**

- ★ Aisne
- ★ St. Mihiel
- ★ Champagne-Marne
- ★ Meuse-Argonne
- ★ Aisne-Marne
- ★ Champagne

**WORLD WAR II [37 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

**KOREAN WAR [11 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 1953

**OPERATION IRAQI FREEDOM [1 Medal of Honor]**

- ★ Liberation of Iraq
- ★ Transition of Iraq
- ★ Iraqi Governance
- ★ National Resolution
- ★ Iraqi Surge
- ★ Iraqi Sovereignty

**OIF OPERATIONS**

- ◆ New Dawn (Aug 2010)
- ◆ Colmar II (Nov 09)
- ◆ Marne Dauntless (May 08)
- ◆ Marene Pile-Driver (April 08)
- ◆ Marne Rugged (Mar 08)
- ◆ Marne Roundup (Feb 08)
- ◆ Operation Grand Slam (Feb 08)
- ◆ Marne Thunderbolt (Jan 08)
- ◆ Marne Courageous (Nov 07)
- ◆ Marne Anvil (Oct 07)
- ◆ Marne Torch II (Summer 07)
- ◆ Marne Avalanche (Summer 07)
- ◆ Marne Husky (Summer 07)
- ◆ Marne Torch (Summer 07)

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