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103d INF DIV WW II**PRESIDENTS MESSAGE**

Just last weekend was the 60th anniversary of the end of the war in Europe as we knew it. We were in Innsbruck. A few days before we were wondering if perhaps we might have one last big battle for the capture of the city. But, for us, it turned out to be a peaceful and happy event as the Austrians took over their city and we were able to march, or rather walk, into the city with no resistance. We were greeted by the Austrians as liberators as they were freed from the dominance of the Germans. Many an American soldier received a "thank you" kiss from the young ladies of the city. I suspect even from many of the older ladies. Even some of the German soldiers (some still armed) greeted us with cheers. The war was over for them also.

What a great place we had for occupation duty. A beautiful city along the Inn River with the picturesque Alps to the north and the south of the city. Skiing was just a cable car's ride to the ski lodge up the north side of the valley. Then there were real beds to sleep in. The scenery was always fantastic. We were able to take trips to Brenner Pass, Munich, Berchtesgaden and other points of interest. Many of us were quartered in small villages around Innsbruck, all quaint and friendly. Then, of course, later many were transferred to the 5th, 9th, and 45th Divisions for, what we thought then, duty in the Pacific Theater. All in all our duty in Innsbruck was quite pleasant to say the least.

Elsewhere in this newsletter you will find information on the up and coming reunion in Arlington, Virginia, which is just across the Potomac River from Washington, DC. Our hotel is just a five or ten minute ride on the Metro to the Mall around which are the many Smithsonian Museums. We have planned two bus group tours. One is for all the war memorials, including of course the new WW II memorial. The other tour is a tour of many of the famous sights and sites of the DC area. We will only have a limited number of bus seats for the Holocaust Museum tour, so sign up on your registration form if interested. We hope you can be with us here in Arlington. It will be a big help to the planners if you get your registration in as soon as possible, not later than 1 September, 2005, the sooner the better.

Richard T. Ball, President 2005



The 2005 Board of Directors

2005 REUNION

The 2005 Reunion of the 103d Infantry Division Association, as noted elsewhere in this issue of **NEWS FROM THE CACTUS PATCH**, will be held from the 6th of October through the 9th. Your registration form for the reunion is included in this issue of the **NFTCP**. Please fill it out completely and send along a check for the items you selected. You will note that this year we are including two tours, one on Friday and another on Sunday. The war memorial tour will give you plenty of time at the World War II memorial to see and appreciate this beautiful memorial dedicated to your sacrifices and service in WW II and to all who served in the armed forces or supported them with their services. This tour will also include a visit to the Viet Nam Memorial as well as the Korean War Memorial. The other tour will be a tour of many of the other monuments, famous buildings, and points of interest, especially for our members who have not visited Washington previously. It is a beautiful city with much to see and visit.

Some points of interest you might like to visit and enjoy while you are here are many. You might want to stay a few days after the reunion to see some of the sights not covered on the tours. We have all the Smithsonian Museums within easy Metro trips from the hotel. There is the new Smithsonian Air and Space Museum near Dulles Airport, three times the size of the one in the Mall. The National Rifle Association has a large museum in the Virginia area. The National Spy Museum has been a favorite of many. The large Navy Museum is also a tourist treat. The information desk at the reunion will have information on sights to see in the Washington area.

Information on the hotel is also included in this issue of **NFTCP**. All members must make their reservations with the hotel. Details and telephone numbers for reservations are included therein. It is a beautiful hotel very close to Washington with a large shopping center accessible by hotel van. The hotel has shuttle service from Reagan National Airport.

Please note the item concerning 50/50. You may win! Also please be generous in donations to the Texas WW II Historical Monument Fund. The monument will feature a tribute to the 103d Infantry Division.

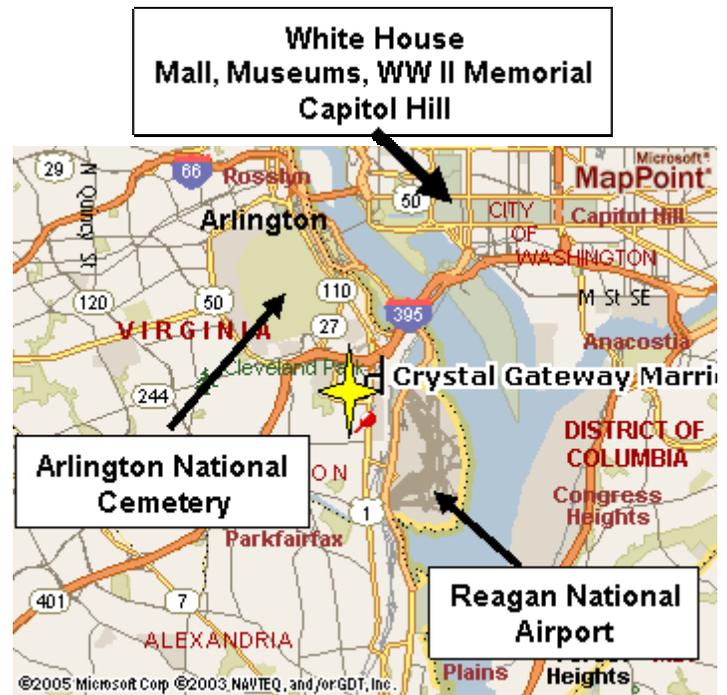
2005 REUNION HOTEL INFORMATION

The 2005 Reunion is set and you should be looking at your calendars and setting aside the dates.

The reunion will be October 6th through October 9th of 2005. The Division has reserved hotel space and gotten a special rate with the hotel for these dates, as well as for anyone who might want to stay beyond the 9th for a couple of days to see Washington.



The reunion will be held at the Crystal Gateway Marriott
1700 Jefferson Davis Highway
Arlington, Virginia 22202
Phone: 1-703-920-3230
Fax: 1-703-271-5212



The hotel itself is located very close to the Crystal City stop for the Washington Metro subway system and adjacent to Washington's Reagan National Airport. The walk from the hotel to the subway stop is all indoors. The hotel also has a van that can take you to this subway stop or other areas nearby. Room rates will be \$99 per night for single, double, or quad occupancy (compared to the government and corporate rates of \$153 per night), and parking

is only \$4 per day. Suites may also be available on request. To make your reservation, call the hotel at the number listed above and tell them you are a part of the 103d Infantry Division Association reunion.

The hospitality suite will be open from October 6th through October 9th. The board meeting will be held at 5 PM on October 7th. Registration will be open from 9 AM October 6th through the evening of October 9th. The General Business Meeting will be at 10 AM on October 8th with the banquet at 6 PM on October 9th.

HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE 2004 REUNION

Official “Cactus Patch Photographer”

By Harold “Buck” Branton

Have you met Jerry Passman? Well, he’s a Cactusman alright, and he and his wife Bernice (pronounced Bee) have been snapping pictures for a long time. If you read the booklet “Cactus Caravan”, you reviewed all those photos of Camp Claiborne days, i.e. before Camp Howze. Jerry was a lead photographer for that publication. Understandably, we have needed Jerry’s talents and camera to cover our reunions over the years. You will be happy to learn that Jerry has been refound and nabbed!

President Dick Ball and Vice President Harold “Buck” Branton surrounded Jerry at Schaumburg 2004 and named him OFFICIALPHOTOGRAPHER of our association. He went to work immediately. On these pages you see some of Jerry’s products. Take a look at the close up of this Jerry guy at the ice carving in the banquet hall at Schaumburg. He is the dude wearing my necktie!



He also took the photo of Dick Ball, President, and his board of directors on page 1.

It turned out that the Company G bunch, 409th seized our attention best when they displayed the Nazi banner they had liberated in Aldrams, Austria (near Innsbruck) in 1945. It had the name of every G Man printed on it. In the first photo, big John Andrade at left and Harold Branton at right hold the trophy banner up as Bob and Betty Leslie (left) and Dottie Miller look on.



At the business meeting the next day, the banner was presented to the Division Association for inclusion in our museum room in Texas. It is a truly memorable donation to remind future generations why we fought.



Other actions caught by Jerry were the display of WW II vehicles (ambulance, jeep and trailer by Baxter Fife III), weapon displays (by Michael Bonak) and the visit to the 1st Infantry Division Museum in nearby Wheaton, MO.





Then there were the photos recording the banquet and dinner dance and the entertainment by the "Banjo Buddies Dixieland Show Band".



Look forward to a photo display of all the photos he took, and more, at the Reunion 2005 in Crystal City, Washington DC in October. Additionally, Jerry will be available at our hotel there and at the WW II Memorial for individual and group photos.

A brief commentary: Photo recordings are essential for our Association to preserve lasting images of our members and our activities together beyond the war. Each and every one of you – regular members, associates, wives and survivors – are encouraged to assist, and participate, in our Association photographic agenda.

Dave Blustin named Associate Cactus Man of the Year for 2004.

In the last newsletter, we made a mistake in that we left Dave's name out of the article on Cactus Men of the Year as the associate who made the biggest impact on the association for the year.

To remedy this, we are repeating his Letter of Commendation.

LETTER OF COMMENDATION
TO
DAVID G. BLUSTIN
ASSOCIATE CACTUS MAN OF THE YEAR
2004

During the past year you have given generously of your time and talent in performing many duties for the benefit of the 103d Infantry Division Association. We understand that your father was a member of the 103d Infantry Division during World War II and your interest in our association is due primarily to your love and respect for your father and pride in your father's association with the Division. We also realize that you, being in the younger generation, needed to spend most of your time attending to your own business there in Duluth.

Despite the time requirements of your business you have taken the time to tend to the financial and administrative tasks of the Division in an excellent and commendable manner. Collection of annual dues and reunion registration payments were a major part of the tasks you so ably performed. Paying all duly authorized bills was another task you willingly took on. Forwarding the names and information on new members and reunion attendees for inclusion in the records of the Division was another time consuming task.

You have always been there to assist others in accomplishing the many things that needed to be done to make this organization a big success. We owe you a great deal for your efforts and we thank you for them. The special plaque presented to you at the 2004 reunion is a token of our appreciation for all you have done for the 103d Infantry Division Association of WW II.

For the Association
Richard T. Ball
Acting President 2004

Mr Charles Baron, Concentration Camp Survivor Thanks the 103d Infantry Division.

Mr. Charles Baron, a French survivor of the Concentration Camp at Landsberg, gave a moving recount of his gratitude. He attended the 2004 reunion, along with Simon Dargols, a Cactus Patch man who returned to France to marry the woman he met there and later became a French citizen. At the request of many who were there, we are printing his comments in full.

"First I apologize fir my bad American but I never learned it at school. If there are words you don't understand, ask Simon Dargols, he will translate.

Time runs fast; it seems to me that it was yesterday I met you. If, for me, 1945 was the year of liberation and rebirth, 2004 is the year of recognition and

friendship. In 1945, you came through a Germany in fire and desolation and liberated me from the Nazis. In 2004 I come to you to celebrate life that healed – as much as possible – the wounds of the war.

I was only 19 and a half when I got out of 32 months as prisoner in Nazi concentration camps. On April 27, I had the chance to escape from an evacuation train. The 28th, you reached Landsberg and discovered the first SS camps in this sector of Bavaria. You could not believe that humans could impose so cruel behavior to other humans. Immediately after your homecoming many of you spent so much of their time to describe the inferno they saw.

The 29th, the first you entered Pesternacker near Landsberg. Every moment of your appearance in the yard of the farm where I was hidden is still carved in my memory. Suddenly, I became free.

Free, but my weight was 65 pounds and I was only 5 feet 4 inches tall. Free, but knowing that I will never see my parents, both assassinated at Auschwitz-Birkenau. As long as I will live, I will never forget their faces, my mother 42 years old and my father 50. And my children will never know the warmth to be with their grandparents.

I thought to tell you how it was in Aushwitz. But, when our oldest grand daughter became 16, she came to see what was the “Death Factory” A few weeks after our return to Paris, Johanna sent me a short letter. With your permission, I will read you some extracts:

‘Silently, I looked at the barracks one after the other. I prayed that such horror would never come back. I cried, without saying a word. I imagined women, children, very old people walking to the gas chamber. I squeezed my Grandfather’s hand during the visit as if I needed his protection. His and not my parents, because he is the one who saw, the one who knows...He is one of the last witnesses. After him it will only be history and I felt in his eyes the weight of the past. I will talk to my children and grandchildren and I will keep the memory of those who were deported only because they were Jewish. I will be tolerant but I will keep hate for the Nazis because I cannot accept what they did. I felt, suddenly, in my childish girl look, that I had become a woman because I finally saw the truth as it was, merciless and cruel. I was glad to be there with my Grandfather. I talked as I was listening to him, silently. I chose to remain silent because not a single word could come out of my mouth. I hope

that my Grandfather understood that, with my silence, I gave all my emotions. I realize the atrocities, what my family went through, and I will never be the same.

Johanna’

One of you, Tom “Muzzo” Musolino, in a book entitled “Trail of the Cactus” wrote a poem in which he says:

‘It was a long time ago
Since we first met
On some foreign soil
Where memories will not be forgotten

To see your happy smiling faces
Mean so much to all of us
For we are together once more
And maybe for the last time’

I trust in the future. Today will not be the last time!
Next year, I will say the same as today:

Happy to see you again. Happy to say to you again – thank you for a job you did well.”

If you ever wonder why you sacrificed so much, just re-read Johanna’s letter to a man you saved from death.



**NATIONAL COMMEMORATION OF THE DAYS
OF REMEMBRANCE 2005**

By Dick Ball, President 2005

On May 4, 2005, the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum held its annual Donor Tribute Dinner at the new Mandarin Hotel in Washington, DC. Thanks to your Assistant Vice President, Mike Toohig, we were able to get free tickets to this \$250 a plate dinner that was a fundraiser for the museum, but also a tribute to the Army units which liberated one or more concentration camps. Upon entering the banquet area, Bruce Hughes and I, as representatives of a liberating Army Division, each received a big red rose on our lapel to identify us as “liberators”. The few survivors of the concentration camps wore white flowers on their lapels. After cocktails and a delicious dinner, all the

“liberators” were asked to stand and receive quite an ovation. The 103d Infantry Division flag was prominently displayed behind the speaker’s podium throughout the evening. The keynote speaker was General Wesley K. Clark.

On May 5, 2005, at noon the Holocaust Museum hosted a ceremony in the Rotunda of the United States Capital again in memory of those who lost their lives in the Holocaust and thankful in recognition of the liberating United States Army Divisions. The flags of 35 American Divisions were prominently displayed behind the speakers podium throughout the ceremony. The 103d Division Cactus was one of the very few that those present could recognize because of the way the flags were hanging. Our flag was placed immediately in front of the statue of Abraham Lincoln. Again, the “liberators” were asked to rise and receive thankful applause. There was a candle lighting ceremony, many tributes and a keynote speech by Laura Bush, Our First Lady. The ceremony lasted a little over an hour and was quite impressive. The Rotunda was completely full of seated persons with many also standing around the seated crowd.

A TRIBUTE FROM THE 1979 TRIP TO EUROPE

By Dick Ball

A number of years ago, your President received the following letter from the then Mayor of Innsbruck, Austria. It was written in German but is translated here for your enjoyment. The person the mayor refers to as the person who requested the letter , Helmut Mayr, was the son of the Burgermeister of the small village of Gotzens, where Battery B of the 382nd FA Battalion was on occupation duty when the 103d was stationed near Innsbruck. I corresponded with Josef Mayr, the burgermeister for many years after the war until his death. I met Helmut when I visited Innsbruck in 1976 and have corresponded with him until his death last year. He owned and operated a candy store opposite the statue of Maria Theresa in downtown Innsbruck. He drove us around the Innsbruck vicinity for about four hours during our visit there. I think you will appreciate what the Mayor had to say.

**Der Bürgermeister
Der Landeshauptstadt Innsbruck**

Innsbruck 9. Juli 1979

It gives me great pleasure to take this opportunity, at the request of a local citizen, Mr. Helmut Mayr, to send to all the members of the 103d Infantry Division the best wishes of the Mayor of the City of Innsbruck.

Thirty four years have passed since the members of this American Division were stationed in the vicinity of Innsbruck, at the end of the disastrous Second World War. Our mutual memories recall the efforts of the 103d Infantry Division in restoring freedom and independence to our Austrian homeland and our mutual efforts since then to strengthen the countries of the free world. Innsbruck has taken the initiative to do its share by being twice the city of the Olympics, the city of International Congress and also a desirable goal of international tourism. I am sure that with the relationship that military service has created between the members of the 103d Infantry Division and Innsbruck that many of your members have visited Innsbruck or plan to in the coming years.

We are happy with your relationship with the city of Innsbruck that took place in time of war and has since for so many years contributed to the cause of peace and freedom among peoples. We wish the members of the 103d Infantry Division all of the best.

Signed
Dr. Alois Lugger



TRIBUTES FROM THE NEXT GENERATION

We have decided to put a new column into the Cactus Patch. In this column, we invite the next generation, the sons, daughters, grandchildren, and nieces and nephews of 103d Division veterans to share what their Father, Grandfather, or Uncle’s service meant to them and how they were influenced in their own lives by the sacrifices made on their behalf. This edition has a short note from Darrell Zerbe sent on the occasion of his uncle Marlin Kenee’s death, and a note from Alexander Fasolilli on the death of his father, Fernando A. "Red" Fasolilli.

"This is to inform you of the recent death of my uncle, Marlin N. Kenne of 411 Co I, 103d INF DIV of WW II. He died in the early hours of April 15, 2005 after a recent lingering illness.

I enjoyed listening to his experiences of his Army service, and I also enjoyed the chance to meet two or three of his buddies that lived near us in St. Louis that we met while on vacation.

While he was able, he really enjoyed the reunions. I picked up your newsletter from his dresser when I was in town to visit with my aunt and to pay final respects to Marlin. While I'm at it, thank YOU for your service to our country. "

Darell R. Zerbe

"I need to report the death of my father, His name is Fernando A. "Red" Fasolilli. He served in the 409th Regiment, Co.I of the Cactus Division. He shipped from the U.S. to France with the 103rd and was in combat until Dec. 10, 1944. Both his feet were frozen and he was sent to hospital in England for three months. After he was released from the hospital, he was re-assigned and his days with the 103rd were over.

His rank while with the 103rd was a Private, but by the time he was discharged, he rose to the rank of Buck Sgt. Of all the medals he earned, he was most proud of his Combat Infantry Badge. And the unit he chose to have listed on his Honorable Discharge was the 103rd!

Would also like to let you know that he was buried with full Military Honors, and the two Soldiers that folded his Flag and presented it to my mom were both Buck Sgt's. and both also wore C.I.B.'s.

Alexander A. Fasolilli
Herkimer, New York

If you would like to share a brief story about the impact that your 103d Division Father/Grandfather/ Uncle made on you life, please send it to Dave Leslie, Editor, **The Cactus Patch** at the address on the first page. And e-mail is always appreciated.

500 FIGHTING MILES

For those of you who ordered videos, they were mailed the week of Jun 13. There was a delay due to the master getting corrupted. All orders have been filled, and there should be no delays on future orders.

WORLD WAR II FACTS

Profile of U.S. Servicemen (1941-1945)

- 61.2 % were drafted, 38.8% volunteered.
- Average duration of service was 33 months
- 72% served overseas, and average of 16.2 months abroad.
- 61.2% of enlisted personnel had combat or combat support assignments
- Average Base Pay for enlisted was \$71.33 per month, for officers \$203.50 per month)
- In 1939 there were 334,473 personnel of active duty; At the end of the war in Sep 1945, there were 12,123,455 personnel on active duty. Peak strength was 12,364,000.

Toll of War

- The Army and Army Air Force had 234,874 personnel killed in action, out of a total of 292,131 for all the armed services, better than 80% of the battle deaths.
- The Army and Army Air Force had 565,861 wounded in action, out of a total of 671,278, more than 84% of the total.
- There were an estimated **14,904,000** battle deaths in World War II, 25,218,000 wounded, and **38,573,000** civilian deaths during the war.

Source: 50th Anniversary of WW II Commemorative Committee

Alone and far removed from earthly
care
The noble ruins of men lie buried
here.
You were strong men, good men
Endowed with youth and much the
will to live
I hear no protest from the mute lips
of the dead.
They rest; there is no more to give.
So long my comrades,
Sleep ye where you fell upon the
field.
But tread softly please March o'er
my heart with ease
March on and on,
But to God alone we kneel.

-- [Audie Murphy](#)

HONOR ROLL



103d INF DIV ASSN of WW II
(Deceased reported after NFTCP issue No 8)

Andrade	John J.	409	Co G
Autry	Charles E.	411	Co L
Blackman	Albert L.	410	Co A
Burge	Henry B.	410	Co B
Cefkin	J. Leo	409	Co E
Claiborne	Dennis M. Jr.	328	Med Co B
Colson	George	409	Co K
Czopek	Chester A.	411	Co L
Engstrand	Ben E.	410	Co C
Fasolilli	Fernando A.	409	Co I
Garner	Louis	411	Co L
Hagemann	Clayton J.	411	Co C
Hickman	Milton C.	411	Co E
Hubbard	Auburn	411	Sv Co
Jacobie	William	410	Co I
Kenee	Marlin N.	411	Co I
Lawler	Dr. Robert E.	410	Co F
Meinze	Albert K.	409	Co B
Munisteri	Philip X.	382	FA Med
Sampson	Roy A.	411	Co A
Spinner	Harold E.	411	Co E
Swanson	Carl W.	384	FA Bty C & 410 Co L



TABLETS OF THE MISSING

Each foreign ABMC (American Battle Monuments Commission) Cemetery, where our fallen comrades lie, exhibit a *TABLETS OF THE MISSING*.

These Tablets contain the names of Americans who gave their lives in the service of their country but whose remains were not recovered or identified.

Our Battle Death Publication contains the names of 16 of our comrades that are inscribed on the tablets at the respective ABMC cemeteries.

Brian, Donald F., S SG, 409 Co E,	St. Avold
Brooks, Kenneth A., PFC, 410 ___ ,	Epinal
Clement, Lauren N., SGT, 411 AT,	St. Avold
Cox, Oscar F., PVT, 411 Co L,	St. Avold
Dowdell, Walter R., PVT, 409 Co C,	St. Avold
Fano, Salvatore R., PFC, 411 Co C,	Epinal
Helfgott, Harold S., PFC, 411 Co D,	Epinal
Lucas, John W., PFC, 410 Co E,	Epinal
Pittman, Harold D., PFC, 328 Eng Co C,	Epinal
Reed, David W., PFC, 411 Co A,	Epinal
Simmons, Harold E., PVT, 411 Co L,	St. Avold
Swanson, Bernard T., PFC, 410 Co K,	Epinal
Weatherspoon, Vern D., SGT, 411 Co B,	Margraten
Weaver, Emerson V., PFC, 411 Co B Med,	Margraten
Weston, William G., SGT, 409 Co C,	Epinal
Wisdorf, Walter R., TEC 5, 328 Eng Co C,	Epinal

Report known deaths to
Mel Wright
9737 Warwana Rd.
Houston, TX 77080
for recording into our Historical Records.

in the event of my death I have requested my wife to include the following statement in my OBITUARY
In lieu of flowers please make donations to:
TEXAS WW II HISTORICAL MONUMENT FUND
9737 Warwana Rd.
Houston, TX 77080
This fund is planning a Gainesville TX Monument honoring men of the 103d and their Support Units.

103d INF DIV ASSN of WW II



2005 REUNION PROGRAM

Marriott Crystal Gateway Hotel – Arlington, Virginia

Thursday – 06 October 2005

Registration: 9:00 am to 12:00 noon & 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm

Hospitality Room: 9:00 am to 11:00 pm

Friday – 07 October 2005

Registration: 9:00 am to 12:00 noon & 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm

Hospitality Room: 9:00 am to 11:00 pm

Bus Tour – Sights of Washington: 9:00 am to 3:00 pm

Board of Directors Meeting – Fairfax Room: 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm

Saturday – 08 October 2005

Registration: 9:00 am to 12:00 noon & 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm

Hospitality Room: 9:00 am to 11:00 pm

Association Business Meeting – Saloons A&B: 10:00 am to 12:00 noon

Holocaust Museum Tour (Limited Attendance) 1:30 pm to 3:30 pm

Sunday – 09 October 2005

Registration: 9:00 am to 12:00 noon

Hospitality Room: 9:00 am to 4:00 pm

Bus Tour of War Memorials: 9:00 am to 3:00 pm

Banquet - Cocktails 6:00 pm

Banquet - Dinner 7:00 pm to 11:00 pm

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2005 REUNION

ARLINGTON, VIRGINIA 6-10 OCTOBER 2005

CRYSTAL GATEWAY MARRIOTT HOTEL, ARLINGTON, VIRGINIA (703) 920-3730

REGISTRATION

CAP (Official 103d Logo Cap) No. _____ @ \$15 Ea _____

WASHINGTON SIGHTS BUS TOUR No. _____ @ \$22 Ea _____

WAR MEMORIAL TOUR No. _____ @ \$22 Ea _____

BANQUET DINNER BEEF No. _____ @ \$35 Ea _____

BANQUET DINNER CHICKEN No. _____ @ \$35 Ea _____

50/50 TICKETS (As many as you like. No. _____ @ \$1 Ea _____

Tickets will be in your packet t the
Registration desk for your deposit in box.
If you do not attend, your tickets will be
Placed in the box in your name.)

ANNUAL DUES (Please disregard if already paid) No. _____ @ \$15 Ea _____

DONATION TO TEXAS WW II HISTORICAL MONUMENT FUND _____

Total UUU _____

SPECIAL HOLOCAUST MUSEUM TOUR (Limited Number, no charge, special tour for 103d DIV members) _____

Please make checks payable to 103d INF DIV ASSN of WW II and mail this form and payment to Richard. T. Ball, 6012 Jan Mar Drive, Falls Church, VA 22041, Telephone 703-671-9017

To keep our records accurate and current, please complete (print) the following data for Association records:

Last Name _____ First Name and MI _____

Address _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone Number _____ E-mail Address _____

Your Unit _____

Wife's or Guest's Name _____

Type of Membership: Regular _____ Associate _____

For Associate: Name, relationship, and unit of related member _____

PLEASE COMPLETE AND RETURN TO RICHARD T. BALL AT THE ADDRESS ABOVE NOT LATER THAN 1 SEPTEMBER, 2005. YOUR PROMPT RETURN WILL BE OF SIGNIFICANT HELP TO THE REUNION COMMITTEE. THANK YOU.

NEW PUBLICATION AVAILABLE SOON

ALL UNITS CASUALTY REPORTS

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By B. Melton Wright

LINE COMPANY TOP TEN CASUALTY RECORDS BY MONTH 103d INF DIV of WW II

MONTH	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	TOTAL	NBC	NET	POW
411 Co G	79	100	42	2	50	2		275	0	275	10
409 Co B	24	162	6		47	2	16	257	0	257	109
409 Co C	18	119	8	6	41	6	10	208	0	208	48
409 Co G	51	66	13	29	23	3		185	0	185	8
411 Co K	72	22	33	30	19	6	1	183	0	183	2
411 Co I	59	21	63	2	20	5		170	0	170	14
411 Co L	41	38	51	5	26	8		169	0	169	38
411 Co F	35	58	20	3	41	9		166	0	166	12
411 Co C	28	47	8	24	55	1		163	0	163	2
411 Co E	65	36	16	6	25	15		163	0	163	10

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