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September 17, 18, 19, 1987Get those reservations in to;
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VIETNAM NEWS NETWORK

By Ron Ward - Vietnam News Editor

This is the eleventh in a series of Americal Medal of Honor recipients.

LESTER R. STONE JR. K.I.A.

Rank and Organization; Sergeant, U.S. Army, 1st Platoon, Company B, 1st Battalion, 20th Infantry, 11th Infantry Brigade, 23rd Infantry Division (Americal). Place and Date: West of Landing Zone Liz, Republic of Vietnam, 3 March 1969. Entered Service: Syracuse, NY. Born: 4 June 1947 Binghamton, NY. Citation: For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity in action at the risk of his life above and beyond the call of duty. Sgt. Stone, distinguished himself while serving as a squad leader of the 1st Platoon. The 1st Platoon was on a combat patrol mission just west of Landing Zone Liz when it came under intense automatic weapons and grenade fire from a well concealed company-size force of North Vietnamese regulars. Observing the platoon machinegunner fall critically wounded, Sgt. Stone remained in the exposed area to provide cover fire for the wounded soldier who was being pulled to safety by another member of the platoon. With enemy fire impacting all around him, Sgt. Stone had a malfunction in the machinegun, preventing him from firing the weapon automatically. Displaying extraordinary courage under the most adverse conditions, Sgt. Stone repaired the weapon and continued to place on the enemy positions effective suppressive fire which enabled the rescue to be completed. In a desperate attempt to overrun his position, an enemy force left its cover and charged Sgt. Stone. Disregarding the danger involved, Sgt. Stone rose to his knees and began placing intense fire on the enemy at pointblank range, killing 6 of the enemy before falling mortally wounded. His actions of unsurpassed valor were a source of inspiration to his entire unit, and and he was responsible for saving the lives of a number of his fellow soldiers. His actions were in keeping with the highest traditions of the military profession and reflect great credit on him, his unit, and the U.S. Army.

Dear Comrades;

If you were in Houston at our hospitality room, you were able to see the set of aviator's maps showing all the fire bases in the Americal Division's "AO". These maps were a big hit with everyone and we need to thank ADVA member Dave Grieger for donating them to the Association. Dave was't able to attend Houston because "LZ Friendly" was under way in his home state at the same time. Dave sent them to me instructions to make them available in Houston and then place them permanently in the Americal museum at Fort Devens. So, Dave this Bud's for you.

Ron ward

Dear Comrades:

While attending the concert in the park at the Houston stand down, I recall the emcee saying that video-cassettes of the entire weekend affair were being taped by the committee and that the videos would be available for sale to the public. If anyone has an address of where I could purchase one, or better yet, if you allready have one that I could borrow long enough to copy, please get in touch with me.

Ron Ward

VIETNAM NEWS NETWORK Continues

Ron;

Just a little belated note to let you know what a great time I had in Houston. You run a great hospitality suite.

Just spent last weekend in Cincinnati for a 196th reunion. Had hoped that "Dink" and Jerry Feldman would be there. They didn't show but "O.B." and the "Short Round" did. It was a nice time and about 110 fella's showed. Some with their families, which was nice to see.

Have enclosed some snaps for you and hope to see you soon. Perhaps Indiana in Sept. or Carlisle, Pa. in Sept. 88'.

Take care.

Your friend,
Ed "Dutch" "Doc" Den Braven
196th Infantry 67'-68'

Dear Ron;

I was extremely happy to meet you during the Houston stand down. I want to issue an invitation to come back again any time.

If anyone has pictures of the color guard, the parade and park where the concert was held, or photos of General Westmoreland, I would like for them to get in touch with me.

At the parade there was a guy wearing a hat with the Americal Division patch on it. Please let me know where to get one.

I served with HHC, 198th Light Infantry Brigade from Dec. 69' to Nov. 70'. I'd like to hear from anyone that was in my outfit.

Thank you much,
Mike Forgas Sr.

Beaumont, Texas 77706

Editors note; I encourage all vets who wish to purchase Americal caps, t-shirts, etc., to contact ADVA member Dave Grieger at P.O. Box 12105 Columbus, Ga. zip 31907. Dave has a fine selection of Americal and Vietnam related merchandise.

Jim McQueen is trying to locate some of his combat buddies from D Co. 1/52 198th. Brigade. He served with that outfit from Feb. 69 thru Feb. 70'. Following are the names along with their last known city or state of residence. Joe Gaul from Chicago, Mike Kelly from New Jersey (Kelly was wounded along with McQueen on 3-31-69), Gonzalez from Cleveland Ohio (also wounded on 3-31-69), Gerry Farette from Montpelier, Vermont (squad leader 3rd squad 1st plt) Tony Galuszka from Cleveland, Ohio, Steve Shirilla from Detroit, Bill Shorter from New Jersey, and Tom Appleton from Springfield, Mass..

Jim tells us that D Co 1/52nd. people from 69-70 are hard to find. He saw a couple of them in D.C. when he attended the dedication of the Statue of the Three Fighting Men, and that's it. If an organization of 198th. Light Infantry Brigade veterans is ever started, Jim wants to join it. Jim's address is as follows:

205 Academy Avenue
Weymouth, Mass. 02188

COMBINED CLAMBAKE AND REUNION
September 17, 18, 19, 1987
INFO

Bob Thornton

Melrose, MA 02176

Dear Ron;

An addition to the Weymouth, Ma., Vietnam Memorial Park is being planned to honor nurses who served in Vietnam, as well as those who served in all other wars.

Inspired by Col. Mary Quinn, (Ret.) of Weymouth, an Army nurse who served in Vietnam and Korea, the memorial will be an addition to two already at the park. One honors those killed in Vietnam that are from Weymouth. The other is dedicated to POW-MIA's of all wars. The addition is believed to be one of few if not the first to be established at a Vietnam memorial in any town in the U.S.

The date for the dedication has been set for Veterans Day, 1987

Mary was inspired regarding the idea of a memorial because of the death of Sharon Ann Lane. Sharon was the first nurse to be killed in Vietnam. She was KIA on June 9, 1969 in Chu-Lai when an NVA mortar round struck the 91st Evac Hospital. Mary has felt for a long time, as have the majority of Vietnam vets that little or no recognition has been given to the nurses who served in Vietnam. Also those who served in Korea and World War 2.

The memorial will consist of a stone of black African granite, the same as that of the "Wall" in Washington, D.C., along with a weeping cherry tree, (the tree of life). The inscription on the stone will consist of an inspirational poem that will touch the hearts of all nurses and veterans. The exact poem will not be definite until she can seek out more nurses and vets regarding the wording.

An amount of \$2500 has been set to achieve the goal of erecting the memorial. Contributions are welcome. The address is;

Vietnam Memorial Commission
Nurses Memorial
286 River Street
North Weymouth, Ma. 02191

The main thrust of support has come from the Weymouth Vietnam Veterans Assn., and the Weymouth Elks POW-MIA Commission, (made up of all Vietnam vets).

Jim McQueen

Vietnam 69-70'

Dear Comrades;

I am glad to be a member of the ADVA and have been for the last four years. I served with B Co. 26th Combat Engineers at LZ Bayonet from July 69 to April 70'. I would like to hear from anyone in the unit. Also where can I get information of the history of the Americal Division and 26th Combat Engineers in Vietnam?

There is a Vietnam Veterans reunion in Kokomo, Indiana on September 18-20. All Vietnam veterans are invited.

Thanks,
Robert W Kasting
Logansport, In. 46947

Editors note; To my knowledge, no complete history of the Americal in Vietnam has been compiled either by the Army or private sources. For individual unit records you might try the below address.

Chief Research and Rolemaking Branch
Records and Management Division
Department of the Army
Office of the Adjutant General
Alexandria, Va. 22331

ARE YOUR DUES PAID? ———

CHECK THAT CARD!

VIETNAM NEWS NETWORK Continues

THE PRIDE IS BACK !

Last Year Labor Day Festival 86' raised \$9,000 for the Illinois Vietnam Veterans Memorial which, according to IVVMF Chairman Mike Ferguson, will be built and dedicated by this Veterans Day in Springfield, Illinois.

This year, Labor Day Festival 87' will be bigger and better than last year! The festival is expected to include a carnival, games, live music and entertainment, a circus, pony rides, clowns, magicians, food, beer and soft drinks, and highlighted by a half scale replica of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial Wall of Washington, DC.

The festival will be held August 28, 29, and 30 on the 10 acres of the Gurnee American Legion grounds on Route 21 and 132 about 40 miles north of Chicago. "The festival hours are 10:00am to 10:00pm each day with a ribbon cutting ceremony at 2:00pm on Friday August 28th", according to Festival Chairman Rich Mosher.

"We'd like to invite everyone to come to the festival, not just some veterans", Mosher said. "Last year there was apparently some confusion in that regard. This year we have maps and motel listings for out of town visitors."

For maps, motel listings, or festival information call Rich Mosher at [REDACTED], Austin Staunton at [REDACTED], or write to Lake County VietNow, [REDACTED] Zion, Illinois 60099.

ADVA member Rich Mosher was a combat medic in 1st Platoon, F Troop, 17th Cav., of the 196th Light Infantry Brigade.

Dear Comrades;

At our last get together in Houston, we were fortunate enough to be visited at our hospitality room by numerous "Donut-Dollies" and Nurses. Among them was ADVA member Larry Young Hines. Her first name is Larry but I assure you that she's all woman. Larry was a "Donut -Dolly", serving the Americal Division in Vietnam. While in Houston, she had an unexpected surprise when she met an old friend from her days at various fire-bases in the 196th. sector, Captain Ernie Carrier C Co. 3/21st. Infantry.

I recieved a couple of letters and photo's from Larry concerning her reunion with Capt. Carrier and the good time everyone had.

Dear Ron;

So happy to hear from you today. Here are some pictures for the newsletter or museum, wherever you feel will be most appropriate.

Seeing Ernie was the first real reunion I've experienced at these parade weekends, pretty exciting and meaningful. Let me tell you, we went through a lot together that Spring and Summer of 1969. I spent most of May, June, and July on LZ's Center, East, Baldy, West, and Siberia. He was a great friend to all the Americal "Donut-Dollies".

Did i ever tell you about the day we had a day time rocket attack at Duc Pho? Interesting afternoon Or the day my Huey was hit by ground fire?

Ernie is hopefully going to help here in Oct. when we have the Moving Wall. Pass the word for North Carolina. Dates are Oct. 7 thru 13, the exact location is to be determined. Feel free to list me as a contact person in the newsletter.

When's the next gathering? You do'nt have to be single to attend! Just marry a secure, liberated vet like I did!

Keep in touch,
Your Sister,

1547 Carr Street
Raleigh, N.C. 27608



(L) Capt. Ernie Carrier
LZ Center



Larry Young Hines (Donut Dolly)
LZ West June 1969



Larry Young Hines & Ernie Carrier
Houston, first reunion in 18 years

TAPS

Robert W. Moran
Williston, North Dakota
164th Infantry
Life Member
May 5, 1987

Robert H. Casey
Brookline, Massachusetts
Associate Life Member
June 28, 1987

Lawrence L. Dunnigan
Woburn, Massachusetts
101st Quartermaster
July 14, 1987

William H. Bond
Prairie Grove, Arkansas
57th Engineers
Life Member
May 3, 1987

Robert C. Curtice
Muskegon, Michigan
121st Medical Battalion
October 6, 1986

John M. Ryan
Ridgewood, New York
245th Field Artillery
April 8, 1987

James P. Rurak
Haverhill, Massachusetts
182nd Infantry
Life Member
July 2, 1985

Kenneth E. Bessler
Hacienda Heights, California
E Co. 182 Infantry
Life Member
July 26, 1987

Henry Kasabuski
Salem, Massachusetts
121st Medical Battalion
April 1987

William G. Leate
Falmouth, Massachusetts
221st Field Artillery
August 5, 1987

Robert C. Strescino
Gloucester, Massachusetts
221 Field Artillery
August 6, 1987

Benjamin A. Wauneka
Second Mesa, Arizona
182nd Infantry
February 20, 1987

Joseph F. E. Perreault
Salem, Massachusetts
F co. 182 Infantry
April 29, 1987
Non-member

Helen Picard
Berkley, Michigan
Army Nurse Corps.
July 15, 1987
Non-member

MAY THEY REST IN PEACE

NEW MEMBERS

Randolph J. Gerard Sr.
Sanbornville, NH
101 QM
#Paul W. Santogeanis

* Charles W. Wilson
Melbourne, FL
723rd Mtce
#Ron Ward

*Donald R. Lloyd
Clinton, MD
1/82 Div Art
#Ron Ward

* Billy W. Hudson
Baytown, TX
196th LIB
#Gary L. Nolley

T. D. "Tex" Lemmond
LaMarque, TX
196th LIB
#Ron Ward

*Charles H. Wanko
Schaghticoke, NY
1/82 Artillery
#Frank Diorio

*Darrell J. Orday
Ney, OH
198th LIB
#Ron Ward

*Richard J. Claywell
League City, TX
23rd Med
#Ron Ward

*Charles R. Rando
South Carolina
198th LIB
#Ron Ward

*Tommy B. Poppell
Panama City
196th LIB
#Gary L. Noller

*Matthew J. Swajkowski
Union, NJ
Div Art
#E. R. Horton

Warren L. Radaker
Wildwood, PA
245th FA
#Ltc Peter J. Messina

John F. Tunis
Dickson City, PA
245th FA
#Peter J. Messina

Frank L. Young
Marblehead, MA
182nd Infantry
#John Nicol

*James A. Funkhouser
Katy, TX
123rd Av Bn
#Self

George M. Gogas
Haverhill, MA
182nd Infantry
#J. Foisy & L. West

Wilbur P. Henley
Darlington, SC
247th FA
#E. R. Horton

* Joseph A. Laudicina
Cherry Valley, IL
198th LIB
#Michael Matalik

*Wayne Moore
Woodland Hills, CA
198th LIB
#William L. Dunphy

*Robert J. Bello
Lewis, DE
11th LIB
#Self

*Otis Sims
Detroit, MI
198th LIB
#Jim Markham

* Vietnam Veteran
#Sponsor

★ DATES TO REMEMBER ★

COMBINED CLAMBAKE AND REUNION

THE GOVERNOR CARVER INN

HISTORIC PLYMOUTH

Check flyer in the May - June Newsletter

INFO

Robert Thornton
Nason Drive Apt. 304
Melrose, MA 02176-5614

SEE HISTORIC PLYMOUTH - SEE PLYMOUTH ROCK

SEE A REPELICA OF THE MAYFLOWER

Commander's Message

We are now starting a new year in the history of the Americal Division Veterans Association. It is with great pride that I take over the office as your National Commander. I am looking forward to another successful year with the help of the many members who donate so much of their valuable time to our Association. One thing I wish is that everyone would try to bring in a new member this year.

It was indeed a great pleasure seeing so many of you at our recent Reunion in Reno, Nevada. This year we had more Vietnam Veterans present than ever before at our Reunions. This is a good sign for the future! This year, 1987, was also the first time that our National Convention was held outside of New England. I want to give a special thanks to Lloyd Morrell and his committee for a job well done. One of the highlights was the super parade, with Americal veterans of World War II and Vietnam parading down the main street of Reno together.

For all those who could not make the reunion this year mark your calendar for June 9-12, 1988. The Americal National Convention will be held on those dates at Carlisle, PA. The Eastern regional Chapter will be the host for this Reunion. Peter Messina, the chairman, has already lined up a great program, which everyone will enjoy.

Our next social event of the season will be the Christmas Party to be held on December 6, 1987. More information will be in the next Newsletter. I hope to see many of you there.

Bernard C. Chase
National Commander

P.S. The National Convention will be held in Florida in 1989 and in Chicago in 1990.

MUSEUM MESSAGE

I cannot stress enough how important it is for a curator to open the Museum on his designated day. We have had quite a few problems so far this summer. It is also important to keep correct hours.

If for any reason you cannot show up please call me so that an alternate can be called to open the Museum. My Phone number is 245-6266.

At the National Convention in Reno, Mark Durley presented a set of eight flags, representing the eight countries that the Americal has served in during World War II and Vietnam, to the Americal Museum at Fort Devens. He also presented a set of four volumes on Americal Heraldry, that he had compiled. These were accepted on behalf of the Museum by National Commander Bernard Chase and myself. Both items are now on display at the museum.

In closing, I would like to remind you again of the importance of calling me if you cannot open the Museum at the allotted time and date.

Kenneth R. Turner
Museum Director

GET THOSE RESERVATIONS IN FOR THE REUNION & CLAMBAKE

September 17, 18, 19, 1987
Bob Thornton

Melrose, MA 02176

NEW LIFE MEMBERS

*Stanley J. Cantrelle
196th LIB
Lockport, LA

Harry L. Carnerie
221st Field Artillery
Edmonds, WA.

Walter F. Heckman
26th Signal Co
Clearwater, FL

*Dennis E. Matthews
11th LIB
Glastonbury, CT

*Darrell J. Ordway
198th LIB
Ney, OH

Leo Wm., Orfe
221st Field Artillery
Beverly, NJ

*Thomas E. Sneeringer
198th LIB & 87th Chemical
Courtland, VA

Louis C. St Pierre
101st Medical Regiment
Worcester, MA.

Norbert B. Wilson
246th Field Artillery
Mt Olive, NC

Alfred D. Zaino
182nd Inf & 125th QM
Everett, MA

Joseph A. Angeramo
Associate Member
Hingham, MA

Marcus C. Buckley
121st Medical Battalion
Revere, MA

*John DeGroot
198th LIB
Mt Prospect, IL

Albert M. "Max" Haskell
245th Field Artillery
Huron, SD

James P. Nardone
182nd Infantry
Wakefield, MA

*William E. O'Brien
USN MCB 12 (Associate)
Salem, NH

*Douglas L. Pitts
523rd Signal Battalion
Seattle, WA

Charles Sharpe
Division Headquarters (G)
Portland, ME

Thurman O. Weathers
182nd Infantry
Oakland, CA

Lawrence Wiegman
221st Field Artillery
Indianapolis, IN

* VIETNAM

***** SUMMARY *****

WWII 486 Vietnam 95 Assoc 10

Total Life Membership 591

LIFE MEMBERSHIP IN ADVA

40 or under.....	\$100	Payment	4*
41 to 60	75	'	3*
61 to 70	50	'	2*
71 or over	25	'	1

* Note: Payments of \$25 in 6 month intervals.

Any member who has paid his dues in advance will receive credit toward LIFE MEMBERSHIP.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Bill;

July 27, 1987

Enclosed is my payment for a Lifetime Membership in the A.D.V.A. Thanks again for keeping the Newsletter coming.

Alfred D. Zaino
125th QM

P.S. Sad news-- Ernest Fritz, a service buddy, passed away April 15, 1987. He lived in Everett, MA and was a former member of the 125th QM.

ARE YOUR DUES PAID? CHECK THAT CARD NOW!

NATIONAL CONVENTION



L to R Gene Yeakley, C. Tony May, Jim Crum, Dennis Espinoza, Dorothy Lonecker, Darrell Hott, Michael Rynan, Sue Layton, Ron Ward, Art Askland



MARK DURLY
Flags for the museum



THE COMMANDER LEADS THE WAY



DOWN THE MAIN DRAG



STEPPING IT OUT



THE FINISH LINE

NATIONAL CONVENTION

The National Convention 1987 has come and gone and it must be termed an overall success. Lloyd Morrell and his crew did a very good job.

Reno is a great city for a Convention and the weather could have not been better. Reno excels in the hospitality field and it extends the opportunity for everyone to enjoy a cost free time-- all you have to do is put a coin in the right machine! From the stories that I heard just about every one was a winner.

It was also a time to renew old acquaintances and friendships. Many of the friends that we made during the War years have gone onto their reward but memories live on and friendships are more precious and meaningful.

I had the pleasure of spending a day with Dave Burbine, a member of my Company during the War, and his wife. We have lived fairly close the past forty years but this is the first time we have been able to spend a whole day together. My wife and I also enjoyed a great day with Pat and Jenny Tognoli whom we had first met two years ago at the Far West Reunion in Los Vegas.

And then there was the Parade---it certainly was a thrill to march again behind the Red, White, and Blue and the Americal Banner. The old-timers showed our younger members that we could still step it out! At intervals along the parade route P.A. systems were set up to introduce the marching units to the spectators. It was certainly a thrill to hear the horn blare out--"Approaching are veterans of The Famous Americal Division winner of many battle honors in both World War II and Vietnam"--and this was followed by a rousing round of applause from the crowded sidewalks. All the marching members agreed that they had never marched to so much applause before. Someone still remembers what it was all about.

As you all now know this was the first National Convention to be held outside of New England and it went over very well. It was expected that the West Coast would have a good turnout but as it was the East coast that provided the numbers.

Thanks again Lloyd for a good time!

I also had the pleasure of meeting Franklin A. Schoeffler who is the former 1/Sgt of the 164th Infantry Band. He gave me a poem that he had written about the litter bearers. (As you all know the Band members became litter bearers in the combat zone). He also gave me a copy of a day by day account of the Bands activity on Guadalcanal. The poem follows in the next column. Style and excerpts are from a poem by Pvt. Rollin Crater-Medic Co. F 116th Engineers 2nd Idaho Infantry; lost at Sea on the Troopship "Tenedores" off the coast of France 28 Dec 1918. World War I. Frank supplied the parody.

His Guadalcanal account will be carried in a later issue

DID YOU KNOW?

That Bill McLaughlin is now writing a Newsletter called "Cannoneer"? It is a well written Newsletter and it should be of great interest to the Artillery men.

Bill was also recently featured in a story in the World War II Times.

Bill, I liked that letter to the Boston Globe very much. Those guys want both ends and the middle.

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GUADALCANAL

Coolidge, Cremer, McCawley and Huntr Liggett

Whenever you meet a Litter Bearer
Just mark the begger well
Choke back a sob and dry a tear
That man has been through hell
If he rode the Cremer or McCawley
Or the good old ship Hunter Liggett
Do all you can for that brave man
He needs your sympathy

Oh, don't you remember that day in April of 1942
That day we waited on the Coolidge with glee
When we gave all our thanks, as we should, to our Maker
As we landed in Melbourne for a rest but brief
Then out to sea on the Cremer a little Dutch boat
We had visions of food and drink, a trip to New Cal

And don't you remember the smell of the kitchen
With the sickening roll of the sea
And how we got thinner with each little dinner
Of chicken-spuds gulash and tea
The chicken gulash was rotten and so the sauce
the smell which a sea gulls demise
When out of pack sacks, Bell and company to rescue
With cans of foodstuffs and candy too

Noumea a harbor, seven days at sea to sail and land
The Cremer, the Zeiland, and Van Houstee too
For seven months we trained concerts and drill
Medic briefing and litter bearer drill
When one night at a movie our orders came
And after a shakedown the McCawley awaited
And after seven days we landed in the morn
To quietness on shore, a beach called "Kukum"
On an island called Guadalcanal, Oct. 13th a day of history

The First Marines, a division reenforced, the Infantry 164th
An Infantry regiment "We are ready" and Division Americal
To Henderson field, Koli Point, and the Matanikoa
Were signs of deadly conflict - we nipped the Jap
Three bandmen wounded and Purple Hearts to award
A silver star for one and commendations for two
Combat badges for all and medals Bronze Star
Awarded to Litter Bearers by a thankful U.S.A.

Oh, when Tojo is dead and gone
We'll still have work before us
The Cremer sunk and the Coolidge too
We'll scrap the Hunter Liggett
An we will pass the hat around
To buy the latest books
And we'll find a lot of cuss-words
To cuss the things went wrong
And then we'll sail for Home Sweet Home
And the girl who's waiting for us
And we'll name the first kid Coolidge
And the next one Hunter Liggett

Dedicated to the Band Litter Bearers Med Det 164th Infantry
Frank A. Schoeffler

CONVALESCING

PNC William T. Schmidt

Col. Lewis W. Doyle Ret.

Hyde Park, MA
02136

San Antonio, TX
78216

Bill and Lew are both recovering from major surgery and would welcome a note from their old friends.

Rev. John S. Franklin
Evanswood Baptist Home

Kingston, MA 02364

Our Chaplain is recovering from a broken wrist that was caused by a fall. He would like to hear from his friends.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Mr. Buckle;

Enclosed is an obituary of Robert [Bob] Moran who passed away 5 May 87.

Bob was a good friend of mine and we will all miss him and the work he has done for the community. He was a member of Co. E 164th Infantry when I joined in 1937. He served with the 164th Infantry, Americal Division, in the Pacific during World War II.

He was also a Life Member of the Americal Division Veterans Association.

Bob passed away in his sleep from a heart attack.

I thought his name should be mentioned in the Americal Newsletter as he has many friends throughout the organization.

Thank you very much-I surely enjoy the Newsletter, it's great!

Bye,
Jerry Wilder

Thanks for writing Jerry.

Dear Members;

I just want to let you know that my husband, John Ryan, passed away April 8, 1987.

I want to thank you for the many hours of pleasure it gave him when he received the Newsletter. We also bought him the book "Under the Southern Cross" and that brought back memories.

By any chance do you have Americal ribbons that can be tied to the flag in the cemetery for Memorial Day? If you do please send me one and I'll save it for next year. Never thought of writing earlier. It would be greatly appreciated and if there is any charge please let me know.

Thank you and God bless you all,
Helen Ryan

Sorry, but we do not have any such ribbons. It is a good thought and perhaps we should do something like that.

Americal;

I haven't paid my current dues yet and hope the enclosed amount will catch me up.

I read the Newsletter looking for names of individuals that served with my old unit - Co. C 1/52nd 198th LIB Infantry 1970-71. I did contact Mike Myers in California thanks to the Americal Newsletter. Keep up the good work!

Gale B. Rauschenberger

**Membership Is Everybody's Business
— Get Involved —
We Are Winning — Get That Membership In**

Dear Mr. Dunphy;

This is to inform you that my husband Bennie A. Wauneka who was a member of the A.D.V.A. passed away pm February 20, 1987 at the Kearns Canyon Hospital of Cardiac arrest. He really enjoyed getting the Newsletter and read it from the beginning to the end. He served with the 182nd Infantry in the Pacific during World War II. He and his cousin Francisco Wauneka were the only two Navajo Indians in the outfit. Francisco passed away several years ago. I am enclosing a clipping about the two cousins.

My husband worked as a purchasing assistant the Sage Memorial Hospital in Canada, Arizona. He retired from here on May 30, 1986.

My husband was very special. We would have been married 39 years this May 8, 1987

Sincerely,

Mrs. Bennie A Wauneka

Dear Mr. Buckle;

I wish to inform you of the death of Joseph F. E. Perreault. "Shadow" as he was known to members of his squad, was a good soldier and did an exceptional job on Hill 260, Bougainville. He served with F Co. 182nd Infantry.

Connie Krochmal

Dear Sir;

I am enclosing the obituary for 1st Lt. Helen Picard. She served on Guadalcanal, Bougainville, and New Caledonia. I am sure she was working with the Americal. I would appreciate it if you would print a notice in the Newsletter. Thanking you in advance and God Bless.

Fraternally,

Jim McClanahan

From the Detroit News, July 15, 1987---Helen Picard, 68, an Army Nurse during World War II, died Sunday in the Allen Park Veterans Hospital.

Mrs. Picard was a decorated Army Nurse having served on New Caledonia, Guadalcanal and Bougainville. Survivors include a son Jeffrey, a daughter Jan, and two grandchildren. Burial will be in Pennsylvania.

Dear Bill;

Happened to park my car next to a car with the Americal Division sticker on the windshield. Stayed by the car and sure enough the owner, Mr. John Nicol, came along after a short wait and we had a nice chat about our beloved Division. John was kind enough to send me a copy of the Newsletter and a memo advising me to write to you in regard to a "Life Membership" application. Having served with the 182nd Infantry, would you send me Joe Siano's address? I would like a history of the 182nd Infantry regiment.

Thanks,

Frank L. Young

Glad to hear that you are on the mend!

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR (continued)

William Dunphy
Adjutant A.D.V.A.

Just checke my membership card and it seems there might be a mix-up in the due dates. Just in case there is I am enclosing another check. If I am paid up you can use the check for other Americal needs.

Sorry that you have not been well and I hope you are back in good health again. My prayers are with you.

Perhaps you can provide an answer as to why my March-April Newsletter arrived on May 30th? I realize that I am a long way from Massachusetts but many future events are listed in the Newsletter as well as past events and I am interested in attending some of them. Please do not take my comments as a complaint for I realize many things can effect what happens. My comments are merely an inquiry-don't stop sending the Newsletter!

I realize the Newsletter doesn't travel a fast as a first class letter but if additional postage will help I am enclosing another check for \$5.00 to help defray the expense.

Again, my prayers for your quick recovery. I am not sure if I can make Reno but if I do I hope to be able to meet you there.

Sincerely,
Lew Doyle

Lew;

You are right--the Newsletter is slow in being delivered and we are working on ways to speed things up. By the next issue, Sept-Oct our intire mailing list will be computerized. I'm also going to set and make firmer deadlines.

Ed; Jim

Mr. Jim Buckle;

I am very much interested in placing a notice in The Americal Newsletter. My interest is this; My father, Laurence A. O'Brien Sr. Lt. (Ret) died Nov 5, 1982, was a member of the Americal Division during World War II. He began his service in the 132nd Infantry Regiment as a Platoon Leader in July 1942 and served in various commands in that unit on Guadalcanal, Bougainville, and Leyte. By 23 Dec 44 he was Adjutant of the 3rd Bn.

I would like to communicate with any one that served with or that knew my father.

Thank you very much,

Larry O'Brien

Maple Valley, WA
98038

Dear Jim;

Enclosed please find a copy of the Plaque drawing we will be installing at the Arlington National Cametary on September 18, 1987. Pete Messina asked me to send it to you.

P.S. I am looking forward to seeing you and Bernie at the dedication.

Regards,

Bob Hock

Ed; Thanks Bob, we are both planning on being there

Hi;

May 26, 1987

Here is my ballot and my chec for Lifetime Membership in the A.D.V.A.

My birthday was March 8, 1916 So.Damn, that makes me 71 years of age.

Thank you for all the news that is told to the membership thru your fine publication --Americal Newsletter. All the best wishes to all of you.

Sincerely,

Harry J. Carnerie

Comrades;

In reply to a recent question about the 26th Signal Co. World War II!

Enclose is one operator who is still active. General class and still on the air every day! Generally eighty meters just now. Haven't yet met anyone from the old Company.

ROBERT "TEX" TEXTER

73 es have fun,
"Tex" Texter

ALLENTOWN, PA. 18103

KA3QAP

Dear Bill;

July 9, 1987

Enclosed find my application for membership in the A.D.V.A. and a check for the dues, a photostat copy of my discharge, (which I understand will be returned to me).

My wife and I plan to visit the Americal Museum at Fort Devens in the near future and perhaps I can get Joe Siano's address at that time.

Would appreciate having my name and address placed in the Newsletter. I served with Company C and tiso the Regimental I&R Platoon.

Hoping to meet you in the near future,

Frank L. Young

Marblehead, MA 01945

Dear Jim;

June 30, 1987

It was indeed a pleasure seeing you again at the recent Americal Division Association National Convention in Reno.

Joe Micek, myself and two Vietnam Vets would like to hold the Division Reunion at the Chicago Marriott Oak Brook the fourth weekend in June 1990.

The war memorial for Guadalcanal-Solomon Islands is well on its way. Senator Ted Stevens of Alaska has proposed a bill for \$150,000 to build a Guadalcanal war memorial. Your support as well as the membership of the Americal Division would be most helpful.

Could you write this up in the next Americal Newsletter asking the help of the membership in bringing the Guadalcanal-Solomons Islands War Memorial plans to fruition?

Ed Note; The National Commander Bernie Chase has already given Bob the "go-ahead" for the National Convention in Chicago in 1990.

Reunions

132nd INFANTRY REGIMENT WORLD WAR II ASSOCIATION
P.O. Box 508327
Cicero, IL 60650-8327
September 4,5,6, 1987
Chicago Marriott Hotel
Oak Brook, Illinois

COMPANY F & HDQ'S CO. 182nd INFANTRY
AMERICAL DIVISION

October 16, 1987
N.C.O. Club
Hanscom Field, Bedford, MA
for info write;
William Vinci
18 Auburn St.
Medford, MA 02155

5th ANNUAL INDIANA
VIETNAM VETERANS REUNION

September 19,10,20,1987
Kokomo, Indiana
info call;

in Indiana
all other States

247th FA Bn Ser. Btry.

info;
Melvin Sandy
Rt. 2 Box 81
Stephens City VA 22655
Call [REDACTED]

EASTERN REGIONAL CHAPTER
AMERICAL DIVISION

Sept. 18, 1987 12:00 noon
Tomb of the Unknown Soldier
Arlington National Cemetery

Presentation of Americal Plaque and placing of wreath

September 19, 20, 1987
Tremont Plaza Hotel Baltimore, MD
Reunion
Info;

Robert T. Hock
1203 N. 5th St.
Reading PA 19601

COMBINED CLAMBAKE AND REUNION

Governor Carver Motor Inn
September 17, 18, 19, 1987
Three Nights - single - \$286.00
Three Nights - double - \$374.00
Two Nights - Single - \$195.00
Two Nights - Double - \$256.00
CLAMBOIL - Saturday only - \$20.00
BANQUET - Friday only - \$20.00

Registration Fee \$15.00 Couple \$8.00 Single
Direct reservation to Governor Carver Motel

\$100 deposit to;
Gov. Carver Motel

[REDACTED]
Plymouth, MA 02360

Registration Fee to;
Robert Thornton

[REDACTED] [REDACTED]
Melrose, MA 02176

ARE YOUR DUES PAID?

DID YOU KNOW?

I am typing this on August 10, 1987. According to a World War II Almanac on this date in 1945--42 years ago--Tokyo announced the Japanese were willing to surrender but only if the status of the emperor remained unchanged.

Do you remember where you were? Most of the Americal units were on Cebu.

The Allies stuck to unconditional surrender and August 15, 1954 was declared V-J Day.

The local papers have been giving large coverage to memorial services in Japan and in various places in the United States. In Westport, CT a service there was given many columns of type. All the stories seem to point a shameful finger at The United States because we had dropped nuclear bombs on Japan. Nothing is said about the causes of the conflict or the vicious attack on Pearl Harbor that catapulted us into the War.

I searched the Boston Globe yesterday and today for stories about American soldiers and how glad they were to hear that the war was about finished. I guess everything centers around the good old dollar. Here is a story taken out of today's Boston Globe :

Embarrassing situation

Rhode Island is the only state in the nation that continues to observe Victory Day. Yesterday, as citizens in the state commemorated Japan's surrender to the United States during World War II, talk abounded about renaming the 39-year-old holiday, perhaps to Peace Day or World Peace Day. Adding fuel to this idea is something residents probably hadn't considered when the holiday was initiated: the Japanese are coming. Next summer, Toray Industries, a Japanese firm, is investing \$68 million to open a facility in North Kingston. It's unlikely the company will be pleased to learn its workers get time off to celebrate victory over Japan. (I say T.S.)

I say that it is time that the veterans in our country stop thinking about building memorials to themselves and start thinking about what has happened to the Victory that we achieved. It seems that our deeds are rapidly being forgotten. The Japanese school system teaches very little about World War II and the causes, the treachery, the treatment of prisoners, and the final defeat that they suffered.

According to a recent story in the Readers Digest, the so called Peace groups in United States have infiltrated the educational system in this country. Many of our young children are not being taught history as it happened. They are teaching a slanted version and WE are being made to look like the bad guys. The Japanese and the Russians are wearing the white hats. Our country may have many faults and we may have done a lot of things wrong but we have certainly helped a lot of people and there isn't a better place to live in the entire world!

It is my belief that all the veteran organizations in the country should band together and see that more "AMERICANISM" is taught in our school systems or otherwise we will be asked in the near future "What have you done for your country". What is wrong in saying "MY country, right or wrong it is MY country"?

HAVE A WONDERFUL SUMMER!

DON'T FORGET TO WRITE

IMPORTANT!**You Should Know**

DUES DUES DUES DUES DUES DUES

MAILED JANUARY 1987

We did not want to publish names but as this is our final plea to pay your DUES and FINAL NOTICE plus I don't like to drop any member. In the past I have published card number but this time your name.

Robert E. Ashton	Steven E. Aronson
Wilbur A. Breeding	Wayne E. Butler
Carl Bibler	Bert Bridge
Christopher P. Cottis	Leonard K. Clay
Rick J. Carleton	Kenneth B. Caldwell
Nick Dudiak	Joseph C. Gross
Gerald A. Harris	Joseph B. Isaacson
Charles H. Lee	Thomas F. Mayer
Myles E. Morrison	Michael L. Matalik
Donald E. Moore	Tony C. May
Gus J. Obuchowski	William J. O'toole
Ceceil O. Pendleton	Ervin L. Russell
George R. Sabbag	Lawrence F. Scofield
Peter M. Scott	Wallace Starkenberg
Lawrence Stix Jr.	George M. Sanders Sr.
Thomas G. Taylor	Joseph F. Vederman

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1987-1988 Dues Notices to expire MAY 1988 -
MAILED MAY 1987

YOUR CARD NUMBER

1590	1580	1569	1568	1572	1588	1582	1584
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451	441	449	417	424	419	428	423
402	399	398	391	379	382	373	363
368	357	341	333	340	352	329	326
322	311	324	315				

It should be noted that 43 of the above list are new members who joined a year ago and might not know that we send out the MEMBERSHIP CARDS in advance and ask you to send your check to Headquarters. The system works well for the total membership. This is just a reminder.

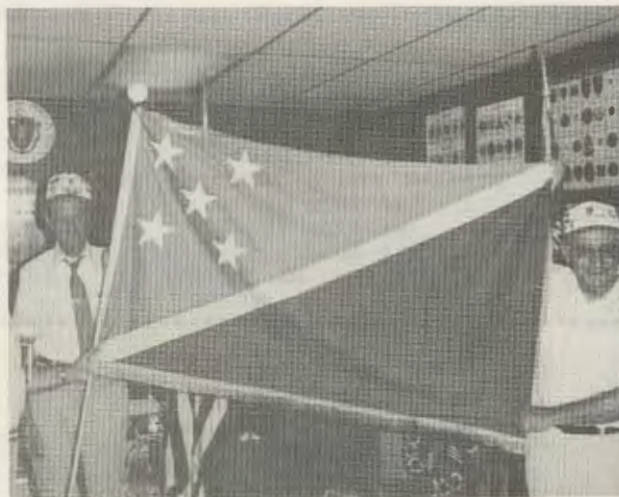
PLEASE NOTE: The September Dues Notices will be mailed next month. PLEASE check you membership to see if your card expires September 1987.

YOUR CANCELLED CHECK IS YOUR RECEIPT

William L. Dunphy
National Adjutant

ALL THE
POWs
ARE NOT
HOME
YET!

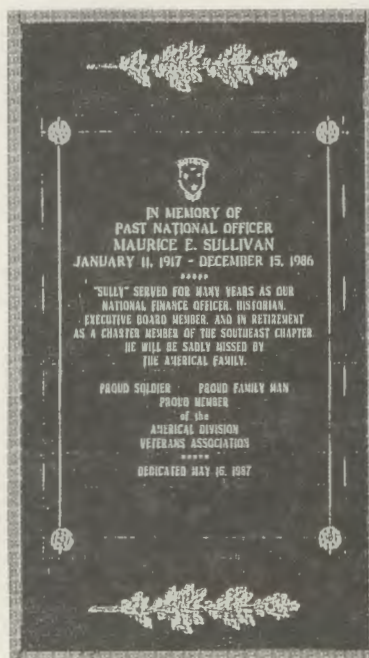
Don't Let Them Be Forgotten
POWs - MIAs
Prisoners of War Missing in Action

*South Pacific Buddies Association**1st Battalion 182nd Infantry*

Commander Al Hudon (right) and PC George McAneney (left) of the South Pacific Buddies Association, 1st Battalion, 182nd Infantry at their annual re-union, presented the Solomon Islands "Guadalcanal" Flag to PNC William L. Dunphy of the ADVA to be added to the collection of State and Foreign Flags displayed in the PNC Hector L. D'Amato Memorial Room, Americal Museum, Fort Devens, MA.

Commander Hudon and his wife Gert handcrafted this flag which will be one of the highlights of our Flag Display. Please don't miss viewing this fine work of art when you visit the Museum.

Al said he could think of no better way to celebrate the 14th of June - "Flag Day" - than to remember our departed comrades who served their country and flag so bravely in the Solomon Islands Campaign on Guadalcanal.



This plaque (left) was dedicated to the memory of Past National Officer, Maurice E. Sullivan, on Family Day at the Americal Museum, Fort Devens, MA. It will be displayed in the PNC Hector L. D'Amato Memorial Room on the right hand side of the fireplace mantle for your viewing.



CHAPTER NEWS

FAR WEST CHAPTER

AK, AZ, N CA, CO, HI, ID, MT, NV, OR, ND, SD,
UT, WA, WY

REGIONAL COMMANDER: Lloyd J. Morrell
47 Collins Drive, Pleasant Hill, CA., 94523
Tel # 1-415 933 2188

Please see attached page for Far West News.

WILLIAM F. McGOLDRICK - CAPE COD CHAPTER

PLYMOUTH & WAREHAM & SOUTH OF THE CAPE
COD CANAL

COMMANDER: Carlo A. Pola
119 Tupper Road, RFD # 3, Sandwich, MA., 02663
Tel # 1-617 888 0991

Commander Pola did not report any activities or future activities as of yet for the fall and winter season. I know one item they don't have any meeting in the summer months to much traffic on the CAPE.

SOUTH MID WEST CHAPTER

AK, LA, MS OK, TX

CONTACT: Vacant How about it fellows let get action in your area. Send in your name if you want to form a Chapter and we will forward all the requirements.

CENTRAL MID WEST CHAPTER

IA, KS, MO, NE

CONTACT: Ron L. Ward
5549 Genesta Walk, St Louis, MO., 63123

Ron tells me he is still waiting to be contacted and I know he has made many contacts to date. Drop Ron a note and see if we can get a Chapter off the ground in your area this year.

Charles P. King, 5530 N. Spruce, Kansas City, MO. 64119 Tel # (816) 454 3378 has been in contact with Ron Ward and is very interested in forming a Chapter. Any one interested please contact either member and see if we can start a Chapter this year.

All the membership in that area require is not less (10) members in good standing plus the name of a Regional Commander, Secretary-Treasurer and a Sergeant-at-Arms. The designated name or title of the Chapter and the mailing address. Submit the information to the National Office for approval of Executive Council and a Charter will be issued.

The above information applies to any area to form a Chapter.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA CHAPTER

COMMANDER: VACANT

Commander Norman Mullen notified Headquarters on December 31, 1986 that no actual plans have been made for the coming year as he was heavily engaged in business activities which have been aggravated by other things plus the change in the tax laws. (Norman is CPA) Bill Parker is the Vice-Commander and no one has been appointed Secretary-Adjutant since Bill Surplock's death.

Norman also reported he was holding in his special trust account in the name of the Association in the amount of \$385.76.

On March 16, 1987 Commander N. Mullen with drew his name as Chapter Commander sent a check to Lloyd Morrell to transfer the Southern California Chapter Funds for the use in meeting some of the expenses of the "Host" Chapter.

Commander Morrell sent a copy of a letter he wrote to Norman Mullen March 29, 1987 about his resignation and transfer of Funds to the Chapter Headquarters to the National Adjutant William L. Dunphy. National Headquarters notified Commander Morrell April 13, 1987 to hold the Southern California Funds in an escrow account until the disposition of the Southern California could be resolved.

If some member of the Southern California would like to pick up the reins and pull the Chapter back as a strong unit Headquarters would like to hear from that member.

The reason we formed two Chapters on the west coast was the great distance people have to travel and they had some very good get togethers.

How about it fellows lets get the ball rolling.

GREAT LAKES CHAPTER

REGIONAL COMMANDER Herbert L. Murphy
802 Schust Street, Saginaw, MI., 48604
Tel # 1-517 754 1338

The Great Lakes Chapter reunion at the Western Motel just out side Toledo is now past history and the next reunion is planned at the following Motor Lodge.

Fountain Motor Lodge

[REDACTED]
Mackinaw City, Mi., 49701
Tel # (616) 5567

Please contact Herb for any details if you plan to attend. Cost of rooms per night will be \$38.00 and the date is October 9th and 10th of October. Larry Parkins, 2226 Hoyle N.W., Grand Rapids, MI 49504 Tel # (616) 361 7001 is another contact.

Please keep in mind the fall foliage will be at this time plus if the weather permits a boat ride to the Island for a day or part of a day. The Motel suggested a bon fire on the beach if you care to roast a few marshmallows. Remember those days long ago. Many other activities are on the planning board.

TOGETHER



FOR-EVER

FAR WEST CHAPTER NEWS



GREETINGS! ! ! To all the members, wives, families and friends who attended the National convention in Reno. We appreciated the fine

attendance, especially from the East Coast and from general comments at the convention and from letters I have received since then, most everyone seemed to enjoy themselves. If you were not there you did miss a good time and a lot of friendships.

The highlight of the 3 day affair seemed to be our participation in the Reno Rodeo Day Parade, the biggest parade held in Nevada. The color guard looked sharp, marched good and represented the organization excellently. The rest of the contingent also did very well and all lasted the entire route. As our members can attest, the hand we received from the spectators was tremendous and brought a lump to more than one throat and a tear to a few eyes. The combination of WW II and Vietnam vets marching together under the proud colors of the Division would be pretty hard to beat and the crowd thought so too. Announcers all along the route kept the people aware of what we represented and they showed their appreciation. There were many pictures taken and I know that Jim Buckle took quite a few, along with others, so ask around if you want to see them.

Another highlight was the presentation of colors by Mark Durley (164th Inf) to National Commander Bernie Chase. At his own expense Mark presented a replica of the official Vietnam Americal flag (different than WW II) and flags of Australia, New Caledonia, Solomon Is., Fiji, New Zealand, New Guinea, Philippines and South Vietnam. These flags were all representative in some way with the history of the Americal and Mark explained their significance to the audience. These colors are to be permanently displayed at the Museum at Ft. Devens.

There were many highlights at the convention and one deserving of special mention was the outstanding presentation by Barbie Targeson, granddaughter of Dwayne George, Magna, Utah, (F Co., 2nd Bn., 182nd). Barbie has been blind since birth but her vocal rendition, with piano accompaniment by herself of two songs she had written in honor of her high school graduating class elicited a standing ovation. Dwayne and his family can be very proud of her. We also had a disappointment that was unavoidable. Major General Milloy had to cancel his appearance a few days before the convention.

Due to an old back injury which became aggravated, he was placed in traction on Monday, preceeding the convention and was not able to attend. This disappointment was tempered by the able substitution of Dr. Robert Muehrcke, Chicago, Il. (132nd Inf), Chairman, Guadalcanal-Solomon Islands War Memorial Foundation and editor of "Orchids in the Mud", the history of the 132nd Inf. during WW II. Dr. Muehrcke gave a very interesting talk on what is taking place there in the islands at the present time. Also filling in was Tom McQuade, former Command Sgt. Major, Mass. NG, who gave us a brief message on what goes on in the Mass. NG these days. This was the parent organization for very many of us. We thank both men for filling in so ably, at short notice.

The attendance of Vietnam vets was encouraging and we all enjoyed their company. I have a feeling our Pennsylvania convention next year will have a large turnout of these Vietnam members, especially if the enthusiasm for these attendees is any criteria.

My thanks to our convention committee, Frank Markovich, Mark Durley, Tony Hannel, Neil Higbee for their contributions to a successful affair. Thanks also goes to Dave Scott and Fernando Vera (both 182nd) for carrying the Americal banner in the parade and to Frank Markovich (721st Ord), Harold Aarhus and Tony Hannel (164th Inf), Darell Hott (23rd Admin. Co) and Ron Ward (188th LIB) and Gus Brown (182nd Inf & 21st Medics) for so proudly carrying our colors. You guys did a fine job.

I deserve a short rest after this recent work out, so have no plans for the Chapter to present to you in this issue. Watch the next issue. I will be contacting the Vietnam vets in the San Francisco-San Jose areas very soon for their consideration of an idea I have in the back of my mind that may be of interest to them.

See you in the Keystone State in '88.

Lloyd Morrell
Regional Commander
Far West Chapter

ADDENDUM: For those of you who knew, or heard of the situation. My wife Ann had to go into the hospital on Tuesday, with tests on Monday. That accounted for my afternoon departure on Sunday. They removed a large fibrous tumor, which proved to be benign, so we are very thankful for that. Naturally you always think the worst at a time like that.

CHAPTER NEWS CONTINUED

EASTERN REGIONAL CHAPTER

DC, DE, KY, MD, NJ, NY, OH, PA, VA, WV
REGIONAL COMMANDER: Robert T. Hock
 1203 N 5th Street, Reading, Pa., 19601
 Tel # 1-(215) 375 0649

Patrick Dionne has completed all the plans for the FALL REUNION to be held September 18, 19, 20th, 1987 at the Tremont Plaza Hotel, 222 St. Paul Street, Baltimore, Maryland. All Chapter members have been forwarded information plus information in the Newsletter to all members. Just in case any last information is required please contact the Chairman, 93 Eastway, Severna ark, Maryland 21146 or Commander Bob Hock (see address above)

George Yates has been very busy this past year working on the Plaque to be placed at the National Cemetery, Washington DC., Friday September at 12 noon in honor of all Division Members who were killed in action.

Paul G. Donelan of Plymouth, MA. who is never to busy to answer a call when the Americal requires detail art work once again displayed his talents in designing the Plaque held by George Yates. The Design, Dimensions and Inscriptions requirements of the Office of the Superintendent, Arlington National Cemetery were approved with the first application. THANKS PAUL for a job well done.



Paul G. Donelan
 Service Company 182nd Infantry



Thanks Paul

George Yates (left)
 and Paul Donelan (above)
 Hard at work.

Pete Messina has completed arrangements for the 1988 National Convention to be held at the Embers Convention Center in Carlisle, Pennsylvania, June 9, 10, 11 and 12th, 1988. Detail information will follow in future Newsletters. Pete and Bob Hock are looking for a 100% participation of the Chapter plus a large representation of members throughout the country. This means every one-WWII or Vietnam. ERA.

If you have not joined the Chapter Pete Messina is after you. A membership drive for Chapter members is in effect Pete reports. His goal is 100% of the ADVA membership in the states assigned to the area. Remember you have to be a member of the ADVA to join a Chapter and that Chapter might require Dues although you are a Life Member or Dues paying member of the National Office.

THE AMERICAL

Force of the Future.

SOUTH EAST CHAPTER

AL, FL, GA, NC, SC, TN

REGIONAL COMMANDER: Edwin A. Heartquist
 200 Royal Palm Drive, Tarpon Springs, Florida
 33589 Tel # 1 (813) 937 3749

Arthur Wood (Chairman) of the Reunion held at the Ramada Inn. Clearwater, Florida, April 3-5 1987 reported that a good group attended. The membership approved the next location for the Fall Reunion by popular demand at their meeting to be held once again at Perry's Ocean Edge, Daytona Beach, Florida on November 6th, 7th and 8th, 1987.

Rooms have been reserved for three days and two nights at a price of \$119.95 per couple. This includes an \$8.00 meal ticket per person per night and coffee and doughnuts each morning. A \$50.00 deposit is required to hold your room and must be received before October 1st, 1987. Plus note you are with the Americal Division Veterans Group. Mail to the address below.

PERRY'S OCEAN EDGE ATTN: SUSAN WILLIAMS
 [REDACTED]
 Daytona Beach Florida, 32018

If you attended the last Reunion held at Perry's you know this is one great place. You will not be disappointed by attending this Reunion.

Two outside pools and inside solar heated pool, solarium and spa.

If you live in Florida call 1-800 342 0102
 If you do not live in Florida call
 1-800 447 0002 for your reservation or any information you might require.

Ed Heartquist reports that he is working hard to find a good central location for the 1989 National Convention to be Hosted by the Chapter. If you care to be on the committee please contact Ed because he will require a lot of help.

William L. Dunphy
 Chapter Coordinator

NEW ADDRESS WHEN YOU MOVE

Don't keep it a SECRET - Let us know.

CLIP AND MAIL TO HEADQUARTERS.

Americal Newsletter

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 Boston, MA., 02104

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Mr. John DeGrott

[REDACTED]
Mt. Prospect, IL 60056

Eligibility for Membership

Membership in ADVA is open to all officers and enlisted men now serving with or who have served with the Americal (23d INF) Division in an assigned or attached status during the following periods:

World War II (South Pacific)	1942-1945
Korean War (Caribbean)	1954-1956
Vietnam	1967-1973

Eligibility includes those who served with Task Force 6814 and Task Force Oregon. Branch of service is immaterial.

Dedication

ADVA is dedicated as a **LIVING MEMORIAL** to all veterans of the Americal Division and is pledged to foster true American patriotism, social and welfare activities for all members, allegiance to the United States Government, and its flag, and to perpetuate the traditions and history of the Americal Division of the United States Army.

AMERICAL DIVISION VETERANS ASSOCIATION

P. O. BOX 1381, BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS 02104

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

Name:		Telephone:	
Address — Street:		City:	State: Zip:
Americal Unit:			
Dates of Service — From:		To:	Serial No.:
Date of Birth:		Blood Type:	Religion:
V. A. Claim No.:		V. A. Office — City:	State:
Occupation:		Wife's First Name:	
Date:		Signature:	
Sponsored by:		(NOTE: Please Enclose Annual Dues)	
Date Received:		Date Processed:	Expiration Date:
Membership Identity Number:		Lapel Pin	Decal Other