

The *CF 24th Vets*

The Newsletter of the Central Florida 24th Infantry Division Association Members, initiated July 2009.

July 4, 2010

24th Infantry Division Association



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Good turnout for May Luncheon



Thirty good folks came to our May 5 luncheon at the Leesburg Gold-en Corral. Harvey and Sandy Joseph of Miami came the greatest distance. As near as I can tell, we had five share in our luncheon for the first time: Paul Boulay from The Villages, Robert and Lila Hartley from Zephyrhills, and Al and Sandra Yeakel of Ocala.

Unfortunately, the resolution of the photographs I have is not sufficient for me to identify everyone from their name tags, so I will have to pass on trying to identify those in the above photo.

I am again using one mailing to accomplish two functions: report to you on the last luncheon, and to advise you of our next get together, which will be on August 4, 2010.

We asked for ideas for a “project” again this year like we did with the Gainesville VA Hospital.

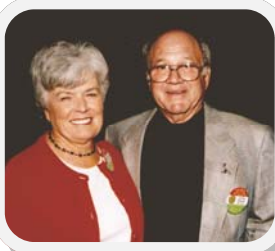
Flossie Kespart made a very good suggestion to provide Christmas cheer for the families of our troops in Iraq and Afghanistan, but we need a committee of our members to carry this out. So, if you'd like to work on this as a project please let me know right away.

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Spend Veterans Day In Birmingham, Alabama



John and Kathleen
Dunn at Rapid City

Sec/Treas John Dunn invites us to join with him in celebrating Veterans Day 2010 in Birmingham, Alabama, which has one of the oldest and largest Veterans Day parade and activities in the nation.

There is a dinner the evening before, and a luncheon the day of the parade. These activities honor the veterans and feature notable military persons as speakers. There is a charge for the meal functions, but John says the prices are reasonable. Hotel rates near the locale of the activities are approximately \$100 per night. There is a web site, nationalveteransday.org, for more details.

If you are interested in attending this event on Nov. 10-11, please call or email John as soon as possible so that he can start working on the details. John has had discussions with a local military vehicles restoration group, and they would have restored vehicles available for us to ride in the parade.

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Central Florida 24th IDA Group

August 4, 2010 Dutch Treat Luncheon
Leesburg Golden Corral 11:45 a.m.

November 4-7 Mini Reunion—See next page.

February 2, 2011 Dutch Treat Luncheon, location TBD

Space limited; contact: Tom Thiel, 352-357-3943 cf24ida@gmail.com
or Bill Stokes, 352-750-6741 wsswriter@centurylink.net

Florida Mini Reunion

As those of you who have come to any of our luncheons know, we expressed interest in holding a Central Florida 24th IDA Mini Reunion similar to the one held annually for the west coast in Laughlin, NV.

Unfortunately, we could not organize a committee to arrange for our own reunion.

Ta-Da—the 5th RCT to the rescue!

Especially Bill Kane and Tony Polemeni, who have been holding an annual 5th Mini Reunion in St. Augustine, and seeing it, like most similar reunions, declining in attendance, invited the CF24th to join with them.

We agreed. And so, if you have not done so already, please complete the registration sheet on the next

page, mail it to Bill, make your hotel reservations, and come to St. Augustine on November 4-7. Should you have any questions please contact Bill at 407-275-7450 or 407-421-4465 cell; email: kcrabbybill@yahoo.com or you can contact me, TJT

The Reunion registration deadline is October 23, 2010.



"We'll try Sir!"



"First to fight!"

**5th Regimental Combat Team
and the
24th Infantry Division**

Invite you to

Florida's 17th Annual Mini Reunion

Thursday, November 4, 2010 through Sunday, November 7, 2010
St. Augustine Beach, Florida

Holiday Inn

860 A1A Beach Boulevard, St. Augustine Beach, Florida 32080
Phone 904-471-2555 / 800-626-7263 Fax 904-461-8450

Convention rates will be offered three days prior and three days after the event.
Guests need to make their own reservations and please specify that you are with the 5th R.C.T. Association
If special accommodations are needed, please specify at the time of reservations.

Rooms Rates \$79.00 per night, plus tax and gratuity

Friday, November 5, 2010

All Members Meeting 9am - 11am
Get together - Food & Beer - 6:30pm

Saturday, November 6, 2010 - Banquet

Cocktails in Scores Lounge (Cash Bar) 6pm - 7pm
Dinner 7pm

Banquet Choices

A. 12 oz. Prime Rib \$30.00 B. Chicken Marsala \$30.00

Both Dinners Include:

Tossed Salad with choice of two dressings, Baked Potato, Glazed Carrots, Rolls & Butter, Peach Cobbler
Coffee/Decaf/Ice Tea, Water, Dressings and Sour Cream

Please detach the below form and return with your payment or indication that you will not be attending. Thank You, Bill.

***** Registration Deadline October 23, 2010 *****

Reunion Registration

Member Name _____ Spouse Name _____

Telephone Number _____ Guest Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Fees:	Price	Number	Total
Registration (Member Only)	\$ 20.00	1	\$ 20.00
Banquet Dinner	A. Prime Rib \$ 30.00	_____	_____
	B. Chicken Marsala \$ 30.00	_____	_____
		Grand Total	_____

Please make check or money order payable to: c/o Bill Kane "I'll Try Sir"
Mail with registration to: 5023 Andrea Blvd. Thank You,
Orlando, FL. 32807 Bill

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at 407-275-7450 (home) or 407-421-4465 (cell)

**Application Form for an Appreciation Letter
From the Republic of Korea President to Korean War Veterans**

Section I - Veteran's Personal Information

Last Name		First Name		Middle Name	
Gender	<input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female		Date of Birth <i>(mm/dd/yyyy)</i>		
Address	Street		City		State
Zip Code(9 digits)	Country		Email Address		
Phone Number (include area code)	Home:			Cellular:	

Section II - Veteran's Korean War Service Information

Military Service Number		Branch of Service	
Period of Service in the Korean War <i>(mm/yyyy)</i>	from	through	
Member of the US Korean War Veterans Association	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		

Section III - Veteran's Certification

I verify that I am a Korean War Veteran. *(It is not necessary to belong to a Korean War Veterans Association to receive the President's Letter. A family member can sign for an incapacitated Veteran).* I authorize the Government of Korea and/ or US Korean War Veterans Association to use this information to provide me with the Letter of Appreciation from the President of the Republic of Korea. The information will not be used for any other purpose.

Veteran's (or family member) signature & date

Name _____ Signature _____ Date _____

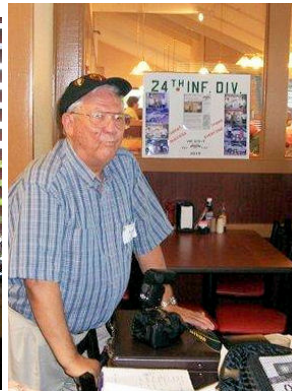
By Internet: click here to apply online or visit at <http://eng.koreanwar60.go.kr/apply.asp>
Mail Application Form to:

US Branch ROK
60th AKW Commemoration Committee
2450 Massachusetts Avenue NW
Washington, D.C. 20008, USA





May Luncheon Photos by Paul Miller



60th Anniversary of Korean War

This year, 2010, marks the 60th anniversary of the beginning of the Korean War. The Republic of Korea plans various ways of thanking and honoring Korean War Veterans.

One of the most meaningful is a letter from the President of the Republic of Korea to those Veterans still living expressing profound gratitude for their service

and sacrifice in laying the foundation of the peace and freedom South Koreans enjoy today.

Korean Veterans and their families are invited to download and submit an application for this letter at <http://eng.koreanwar60.go.kr/apply.asp>

(I did, and printed the mail in form that you may use; it is page 4 of this newsletter.)

Mark Your Calendars

Sept. 26-29, 2010, 24th IDA Reunion, Buffalo, New York, Sal Schillaci, 716-837-1635, ssrec-on24@roadrunner.com

Aug. 4, 2010, Wednesday, CF 24th Vets, Golden Corral in Leesburg.

Nov. 4-7, 2010, 5th RCT and CF24thIDA Mini-Reunion, St. Augustine Beach, See AD.

Feb. 2, 2011, Wednesday, CF 24th Vets, Golden Corral in Leesburg, or elsewhere?

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Aug 4, Leesburg
Golden Corral
11:45 a.m.



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"First to Fight"

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