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The Octofoil

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President's Message

There have been a couple of events that have happened in the last two months that I need to let everyone know about.

First: Joseph Killen, our National Secretary and Octofoil Editor has resigned both jobs effective 6 November 2006. This led to a frantic search to try to find someone to fill this job. Most of the Board of Governors members were asked if they wanted the job. No one was able to accept the position of Secretary. If anyone would be interested in this position, please contact me.

In order to give us more time to find a new permanent Secretary, I have asked Bill Robey to fill in as ACTING Secretary for a few months to give us more time to conduct the search for a permanent Secretary. Bill has kindly accepted the job to be limited to serving until the end of May 2007. Hopefully we will have a full time Secretary before that time.

In the meantime, any correspondence and dues payments, memorial fund donations, etc., should be sent to Bill at the address shown on the reunion Reservation Form. (*Ed note: see page 19*)

In accepting Joseph Killen's resignation, we also had to find another editor for the Octofoil. Since the format was changed at the Business Meeting in Branson, this will be the first time the Octofoil comes out in the new format. On Dec. 23rd, I received the Octofoil mailing list, Secretary and Treasurer records from Joe Killen. I then forwarded the records to Bill Robey.

We were extremely lucky that the two men who designed the new format, William Sauers and John Sabato, both members of the Sons and Daughters Auxiliary, consented to put this issue out. William Sauers is acting as Provisional Editor, we hope he will accept the job on a permanent basis.

Any comments, both pro and con about the new format, should be sent to the Acting Secretary and they will be forwarded to the editor of the next issue. Anyone desiring to get anything in the next issue should have it in the hands of the Acting Secretary or the Editor before March 20, 2007. This will be the deadline to include anything in the next issue.

Jim Dawson, President
9th Infantry Division Association

(*Ed note: As one might expect the new format required a change to the location of some of the normal features. We hope this improves the quality of your paper without the loss of content.*)

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OUR MISSION

- This Association is formed by the officers and men of the 9th Infantry Division in order to perpetuate the memory of our fallen comrades, to preserve the esprit de corps of the Division, to assist in promoting an everlasting world peace exclusively by means of educational activities and to serve as an information bureau to former members of the 9th Infantry Division.

61st Reunion Report October 6, 7, and 8, 2006

A lot of time has gone by since our Branson Reunion and a great deal has happened since then. Much of what has happened will be covered by President Jim Dawson in his column in this issue of the Octofoil.

As you can see by the Octofoil, there have been some changes made in it as a result of a motion by the Board of Governors and approval at the Business Meeting, to change the format of the Octofoil. We missed an issue of the Octofoil that should have come out in October, but due to the resignation of our National Secretary and Editor of the Octofoil we are left with much less time to get information out about the next reunion.

The 62nd Reunion is now set for Grand Rapids, Michigan on August 17, 18, and 19, 2007. This is earlier than we have had in the past two reunions, but the earlier dates were picked to help some of our younger generations. They may have children in school in September or October, so this will make it easier for them to include younger people in our reunion this coming year. Hopefully, we will see many more of our younger generations coming to our reunions in the future and believe me there will be reunions in the future. As long as there are two of us still alive there will be a reunion held.

DETAILS: The reunion in Grand Rapids will be held at the Crowne Plaza Hotel and the reservation form is printed elsewhere in this Octofoil. Get your deposits in as soon as possible as we have a few months less to work with. Deadline for deposits is April 1, 2007 and deadline for final payments is July 1, 2007. Refunds, if necessary, will be the same pattern as the last two years. Deposits of \$150.00 per person should be sent in as soon as possible.

FORMAT: The basic format for the reunion remains the same as in previous years; Friday, Board of Governors meeting in the afternoon, Reception and Beer Party on Friday night; Saturday, breakfast included, then a Memorial Service, then time for lunch before the Business Meeting for the members and the Ladies Auxiliary luncheon and the Sons and Daughters Auxiliary meetings that afternoon. Saturday night entertainment is not definitely settled yet, but details will be in the next Octofoil about that. Sunday, breakfast included, and a Board of Governors meeting in the afternoon. Most of the day will be left free for those who might want to attend church or to do other things. The Banquet and Reception will be on Sunday night, details about that in the next Octofoil.

Monday, breakfast again included, and then check out to start home.

We were able to show a surplus at this 61st Reunion and the details are in the financial report elsewhere in this Octofoil.

I was elected National Treasurer at the Branson Reunion and we have been working to get the transition from the previous Treasurer carried out, but have been delayed by the resignation of our Secretary who was also the Treasurer for the past few years.

The resignation of our Octofoil Editor left us with a scramble to find someone to do that job. Two members of our Sons and Daughters Auxiliary graciously offered to fill in and publish this issue on an emergency basis. We owe John Sabato and William Sauers a big vote of thanks, both for designing this new format and for agreeing to publish this issue. Hopefully, they will continue to be our editors at least for the next year until a permanent editor can be found. The Octofoil Editor is not an elected position, but rather an appointive one, such as a committee chairman. This should make it easier to find someone permanently. If you are interested, contact Jim Dawson, President.

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6 October 2006-Branson, MO

The meeting was called to order at 3:05 PM by President Jack Collier. There was some discussion about there not being enough board members present to hold a legal meeting, so the meeting was limited to discussions as follows:

Bill Robey gave his report on the Branson Reunion. 85 rooms occupied, 159 attendees, all but 2 in the hotel.

We should show a surplus of about \$2000.00 after all bills are paid. The last reunion in 2005, we had a surplus of over \$4000.00 but there were about twice as many present at this one.

The report included about the beer party tonight to take place from 7:30 to about 9:30 PM. The Memorial Service will be held from 9:30 AM to 11:00 on Saturday, Oct. 7, 2006. All attendees should be seated by 9:30 AM.

Breakfast buffet for Saturday will be from 0730 to 0830 to allow the Tablerock Room to be setup for the Memorial Service.

Immediately following the Memorial Service, a group photo will be taken in front of the hotel. Copies of the group photos will be available for purchase on Sunday.

Other activities to take place, primarily the show boat cruise on Saturday night. Buses will leave the hotel at 6:00 PM for the dinner cruise and return to the hotel after the cruise at approximately 11:00 PM. Cruise will be on the paddle wheel steamer "The Branson Belle".

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:10 PM.

Respectfully submitted, George Brown, Acting Secretary

Business Meeting Minutes

9th Infantry Division Association

7 October 2006-Branson, MO

Meeting called to order by President Jack Collier at 1342 hours, Saturday, 7 Oct. 2006.

A moment of silence was observed for all our departed comrades followed by the Pledge of Allegiance To The Flag of the United States of America.

The reading of the minutes of the last general meeting were not read as they had already been published in the Octofoil after the last reunion. 25 members were present.

President Collier thanked Bill Robey for his work in chairing the Branson Reunion.

Following committee chairmen were appointed by President Collier:

Finance-Martin Gross	Nomination-James Dawson	Newspaper-Bill Robey
Bylaws-Jack Blann	Miscellaneous-Herbert Stern	

Meeting was temporarily suspended to allow these committees to hold their meetings. Thirty minutes later the meeting was again called to order by the President and the committee chairman gave their reports.

Nominations Committee-Following members were nominated to serve on the Board of Governors for the next three years:

Adolph Wadalsvage, NY Richard Irwin, MI Leo Hope, OH

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Ralph Williams, FL

Robert Lewis, PA

Elmer Wagner, MI

Elmer Wagner was nominated to serve the unexpired term of deceased member Everett Tapp until 2007. Martin Gross moved to close the nominations, Bill Robey seconded the motion. Upon a vote the motion carried and the Secretary was instructed to cast unanimous ballot for the candidates.

Finance Committee-Budget for the next year was presented as follows:

Secretary & Clerical Expenses	\$ 1,200.00
Utilities	\$ 850.00
Supplies & Miscellaneous	\$ 300.00
Postage	\$ 300.00
Octofoil-Printing & Postage	\$ 9,300.00
Contingency Fund	\$ 500.00
TOTAL	\$12,350.00

Revenue Estimates

Dues	\$ 5,000.00
Donations	\$ 4,000.00
CTM Dividends	\$ 1,200.00
Miscellaneous Income	\$ 100.00
TOTAL	\$10,300.00
DEFICIT	\$ 2,050.00

Motion was made by Herb Stern to accept the report of the Finance Committee and was seconded by Bill Robey. Vote taken and report was accepted unanimously.

Bylaws Committee-No business came before the committee. The Committee recommended that members of the Association submit changes that might be considered for presentation to the next business meeting in 2007. Motion made by Ralph Williams to accept the report and was seconded by Martin Gross. Motion carried unanimously.

Miscellaneous Committee-Committee recommends and urges future reunion committees to consider Hotel or Motel facilities which accommodate attendees who are in wheel chairs or require assistance at reunion facilities. As long as we are looking optimistically forward to future reunions, we need to be mindful of reunion locations which make it easier for our members to get to the planned locations. This includes careful planning for transportation by car, air and train. We need to encourage members to attend. Motion made by Ralph Williams to accept the report and was seconded by Bill Robey. Motion was adopted unanimously.

Newspaper Committee-The newspaper committee consisted of Bill Robey, Chairman, and members Al Ferrante, Ernest Micka and Morton Wolk. The committee discussed very extensively the proposed new format for the Octofoil. Some questions brought up were "Whether or not any content would be lost in the new format?", "Whether the cost would be less or more than the present Octofoil?", "possible sizes (16, 20 or 24 pages)", and several others.

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These questions were answered to the satisfaction of the committee. There will definitely not be any loss of content, and stories will still be solicited from the membership. The costs would be less than the present format. There could be many more pictures in the new format because it would be done by computer and pictures can be entered through the computer into the Octofoil with NO additional cost as it is now under the present format. This newsletter would be printed and mailed under the bulk mail permit of the printer, as first class mail and delivered much sooner than our present Octofoil. The format is acceptable to the U.S. Postal Service without any alteration or having to fold it to get it mailed. The actual cost would depend on the number of copies printed and mailed in each issue. The best estimate received among estimates of three different printers would save us between \$1500.00 and \$3000.00 per year in costs depending on the size (16, 20 or 24 pages) of each issue and how many are mailed.

The recommendation of the Newspaper Committee is to change to the new format, allowing the present Octofoil editor to complete the final issue for 2006, and to start the new format with the first issue of 2007. The present Octofoil editor will be asked if he can and will continue as editor. If not, there have been two volunteers to take over the job as editor.

This recommendation was voted on after a motion to accept the committee report was made by Ralph Williams and seconded by Marty Gross and passed unanimously by the membership present.

Meeting adjourned after a motion to adjourn was made by Jack Blann and seconded by Martin Gross. Meeting adjourned at 1530 hours.

Respectfully submitted, George Brown, Acting Secretary

Board of Governors, 206th Meeting Minutes

8 October 2006-Branson, MO.

Meeting was called to order by President Jack Collier at 2:03 PM (1403 hour). Members of the Board present were, Jack Blann, Leo Hope, Martin Gross, Ralph Williams, Herb Stern, James Dawson, Jack Collier, Robert Lewis, and Richard Irwin. Also present were William Robey, Albert Ferrante, Ernest Micka, William Sauers, Michael Belmonte, Morton Wolk, Dwight Merrill, Walter Victor and Paul Schumacher. George Brown acted as Secretary for this meeting.

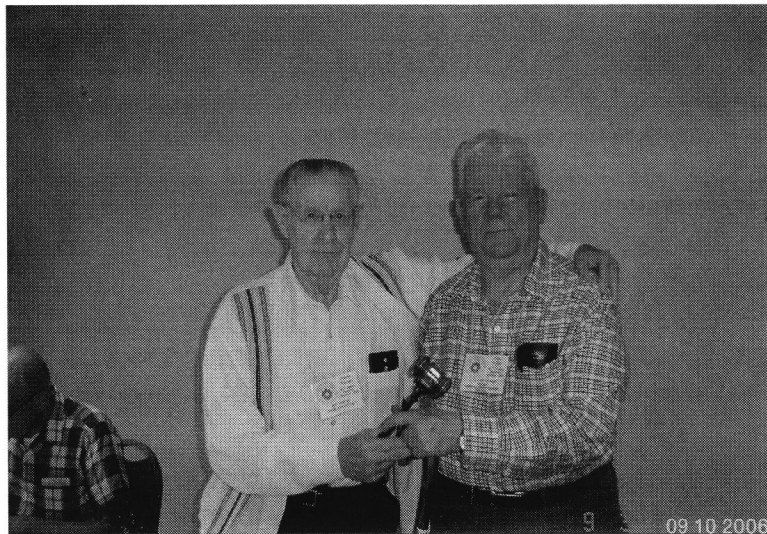
The Pledge of Allegiance To The Flag of the United States was led by President Jack Collier and then a moment of silence was observed for our departed comrades.

Reading of the minutes of the previous Board Meeting was dispensed with.

The first order of business was the election of officers. James Dawson was nominated for President by Herb Stern and seconded by Jack Blann. Martin Gross then moved that nominations be closed and was seconded by Ralph Williams. Motions were both carried and James Dawson was duly elected President for 2007. President James Dawson then assumed the chair to conduct the rest of the meeting after thanking Jack Collier for his service the previous year as President.

A motion to make the vice president the same as last year was made by Martin Gross and seconded by Herb Stern. This motion was carried and the Vice Presidents for 2007 duly elected were Thomas Hatton, 1st VP, Elmer Wagner, 2nd VP, and Emil Langer, 3rd VP. George Brown was then nominated for Judge Advocate by Martin Gross and seconded by Jack Blann. Vote was unanimous.

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After much discussion about the work load of our National Secretary, and the illness of his wife, the board decided to relieve him of some of his work load, and William Robey was nominated to serve as Treasurer. Motion was made by Martin Gross and seconded by Ralph Williams. Motion to close nominations by Herb Stern and seconded by Martin Gross. Both motions were carried unanimously, and William Robey was duly elected as Treasurer.

Motion was then made by Jack Blann and seconded by Robert Lewis to nominate Joseph Killen as National Secretary. A motion was made to close nominations and both motions were voted on and passed unanimously. Joseph Killen was duly elected National Secretary.

James Dawson, 2007 President, on left, accepts gavel from outgoing President Jack Collier.

Photo courtesy of Bill Robey

The adoption by the business meeting of the plan to publish the Octofoil was discussed so that members who did not attend the business meeting would know what was transpiring with the Octofoil. The Octofoil is to be published in the new format for the first issue in 2007.

The 2007 Reunion site was selected as Grand Rapids, MI., the hotel to be used is the Crowne Plaza and a motion was made by Jack Blann and seconded by Martin Gross to accept the 2007 Reunion site. Vote was unanimous.

A motion was made to add a third signature to the bank account of the Association, so that the President, the 1st Vice President and the Treasurer would be signatures for the account. The motion included that any two of the three could sign checks. Motion made by Ralph Williams and seconded by Jack Blann. Vote was unanimous.

As there was no further business to come before the board the meeting was adjourned by motion from Ralph Williams and seconded by Jack Collier. Meeting adjourned at 4:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted, George Brown, Acting Secretary

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Also, since we do not have a Secretary at the present time, anyone wanting to send letters or dues payments, please send them directly to me as Treasurer, and I will see that they get to the Octofoil, or in the case of checks, into the bank right away. Jim Dawson and the Board of Governors are conducting a search for someone to take the job of Secretary, and I have agreed to act as a temporary Secretary until they can find a permanent one. If you are interested, contact Jim Dawson and he can give you the details about the work involved in that position.

Plan on coming to the reunion in Grand Rapids and get your deposits in as soon as you possibly can. More details about air transportation to Grand Rapids and the fact that the hotel runs a van service to the airport will be in the next issue of the Octofoil. Anyone wanting to get something into the next issue of the Octofoil, the deadline for that is March 20, 2007.

Bill Robey, National Treasurer

61st Reunion Chairman; Hq Co., 15th Engrs



FOUR GENERATIONS

l to r: Aimee Round, Granddaughter; Karl Ballwanz Jr. (D Co.—39th Inf.); Linda Shanahan, Daughter of Karl; Dylan Round, Great Granddaughter.

Photo courtesy of Bill Robey



Special Citation 61st Reunion Committee

A special **THANK YOU** to Command Sergeant Major William G. Robey (Ret.), General Chairman of the 2006 Reunion, Ed Janosik, Vice-Chairman, Richard Cohen, Jackie Armstrong and John M. Sabato. Their attention to detail in the planning and execution of the reunion is commended as a job well done.

Sons & Daughters Auxiliary

61st REUNION 2006 FINANCIAL STATEMENT

INCOME

From Room Reservations	\$69,040.00
Less Refunds	\$12,002.00
Subtotal	\$57,038.00
From Bank Interest	\$ 226.88
Total Income	\$57,264.88

EXPENSES

Payments to Hotel	\$42,153.18
Program Books, Decals, Door Prizes, Memorial Service, Florist	\$ 2,239.58
Reunion Committee Expenses (12 Months-Nov. 2005-Oct. 2006), Computer Supplies, Plaques, Calendar Appointment Books, Meals, Parking, Gasoline, Gratuities, Postage, etc.	\$ 1456.52
Branson Belle Dinner Cruise	\$ 7350.72
Charter Buses	\$ 2000.00
Total Expenses	\$55,200.00

SURPLUS (Transferred to National Treasurer)

\$ 2,064.88

**Old Reliables
Notorious Ninth
Hitler's Nemesis**

**The Deadline for the
submission of copy for the next issue
is March 20, 2007**

At our meeting and reunion in Branson, October 6 to 8, 2006 the Ladies Auxiliary elected new officers for 2006-2007.

President...Judy Goldsmith

Vice President/

Secretary...Laryce H. Rybka

Treasurer...Jean Geary

Chaplain...Ellen Schumacher

Outgoing President, Jean Geary, will be a hard act to follow after doing such a good job for the past 4 years. I will do my best to represent our organization and hope that I can turn the gavel over to a future member in less than 4 years. To keep on helping our veterans within The Ninth Infantry Division Association as well as those confined to VA Hospitals, we need your help.

In memory of Ellie Tauber, who passed away this past year, a \$75.00 check was sent from the auxiliary to the VA Hospital, Lyons, New Jersey. The \$75.00 was returned to our treasury by the Sons and Daughters Auxiliary. They insisted on returning the money that the auxiliary had given them to help start their organization. They are quite proud, as well they should be, of their self sufficient operation.

We also voted to send \$200.00 from our treasury to the VA Hospital, Danville, Illinois. This amount was less than we usually set aside to a VA Hospital because we increased our donation to the men's organization for use in printing and sending out The Octofoil.

The next reunion will be August 17 to 20th in Grand Rapids, Michigan, probably at the Crowne Plaza Hotel.

Start getting articles together for our annual raffle next August. Don't forget to volunteer an hour or two to help out at the raffle table.

One sad note, to notify you of the recent death of Dick Solar in Tucson, Arizona. A member of the 9th Association, husband of Thelma, a member of the auxiliary and father of Kathy Tapelt, a member of the Sons and Daughters. His smile will be missed by all.

I am sure the holidays will be over when this will be published but since it still is the holiday season...HAPPY HOLIDAY TO ALL.



2005-2006 OFFICERS

l to r: Lola Booth, Treasurer; Jean Geary, President; Judy Goldsmith, V.P. & Secretary

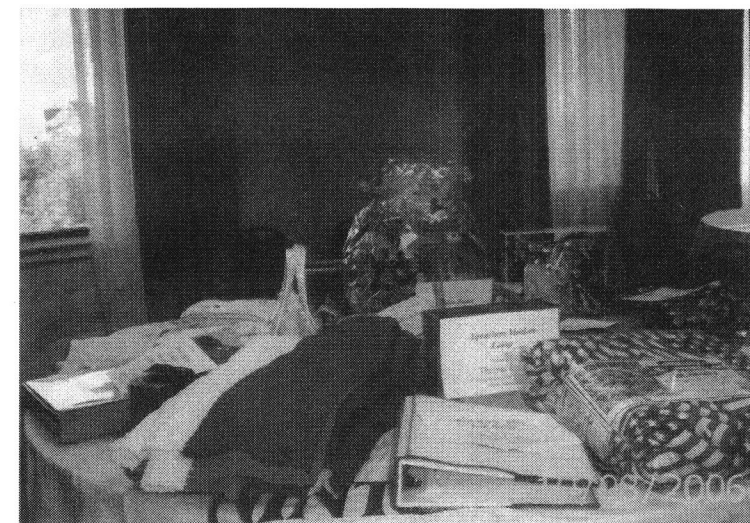
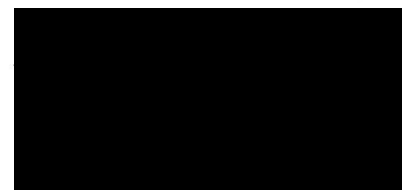
Photo courtesy of Judy Goldsmith

Hopefully you will hear from me again before the next reunion.

Any suggestions and comments are always welcome.

Judy Goldsmith

Ladies Auxiliary President



DONATED RAFFLE ITEMS

Photo courtesy of Judy Goldsmith



TIP OF THE HAT

We thank the following members and friends for remembering the Memorial Fund and our buddies who have answered their last Roll Call.

Dorothy Quigley in honor of her husband **Walter T. Quigley**, Btry A-60th FA Bn and many other 9th Div. heroes.

Glenn Eldridge in memory of the men of **D Co.-60th Infantry Regiment**.

Lola Booth in memory of her husband **George Booth**, 39th Infantry Regiment.

Patricia A.C. Kobane, **Mark A. Anderson**, **Darlene L. Wallace**, **William Bensley**, **Susan Henriksen**, **Linda D. Aucutt**, **Helen C. Haeussler**, **Patricia A. Brake**, **Harry M. Somerset III**, **Lynn C. Bowers** in memory of **Everett Tapp**.

Marie & Dan Quinn in memory of **Jack Scully**, **Eddie Egan**, and "Guggy".

John Bonkowski in memory of all our departed.

Claude E. Berghorn in memory of his father **Emery "Hank" Berghorn**, Hq Btry-26th FA Bn

Albert J. Baccile in memory of my old buddy "**Albert The Hawk**" **DiRisio**, Co. B-39th Infantry Regiment.

Bonifacio Campos in memory of **Robert Bovanizer**, Co. M-60th Infantry Regiment.

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TAPS SOUNDED



The muffled drum's sad roll has beat the soldier's last tattoo;
No more on life's parade shall meet that brave and fallen few.
On Fame's eternal camping—ground their silent tents are spread,
And Glory guards, with solemn round, the bivouac of the dead.



Robert A. Turner

34th Field Artillery Battalion

Walter T. Quigley

Battery A-60th Field Artillery Bn.

Richard L. Solar

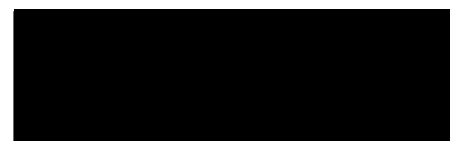
Co. E — 39th Infantry Regt.

Kenneth W. Hill

Co. E — 39th Infantry Regt.

TAPS LETTERS

Robert A. Turner



I wish to inform you of the death of my father, Robert A. Turner, on May 23, 2006. Dad was a member of the 9th Div., 34th Field Artillery. He was a Bronze Star Recipient. He was proud of his service record and of the men he served with. He displayed the Octofoil with pride, whether it was on his baseball cap, a lapel pin on his suit jacket, or a decal in the rear window of his car. When they were in good health, he and my mom went to several reunions, including Lake Placid, West Point, and Ft. Bragg for the 50th reunion. In closing, I'd like to wish good health and continued comraderie to the surviving members of the 9th Div.

Sincerely,

Robert E. Turner

Walter T. Quigley

Battery A-60th Field Artillery Battalion



With great sadness I am reporting the passing of my husband Walter T. Quigley, 89 years on Nov. 9, 2006. He was with the 9th Infantry Division from Feb. 18, 1941, in Fort Bragg, NC, left there and was shipped out overseas on his birthday, Oct. 14, 1942. Not knowing where they were all headed for they landed in North Africa and then to other combat and in battle in Italy, Sicily, Palermo, etc., and then to England to train for the Normandy Invasion, Battle of the Bulge, and on to Germany, St. Lo, and on to the Rhine River, Remagen Bridge, into Germany and the Ruhr Valley, and the industrial parts of Germany, to the Elbe River, where they met the Russians. As they were ready and headed toward Austria to train for the "Army of Occupation", word came that the war was over.

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TAPS LETTERS (cont.)

He got all the medals that he had earned. Walter was with the 9th from 1941 to 1945, when he was Honorably Discharged on June 24, 1945. He was in Battery "A", 60th F. Art. Bn. Walter was life member of the V.F.W. Post #1508, Howard M. Black Post, here in Lake Elsinore, CA. We both enjoyed the Octofoil for so many years. I hope to continue receiving it. Please accept my donation in Walter's honor. He just never got over that terrible war, combat, and the horror he saw. The 9th Division was his whole life and pride. I gave him the most military funeral I could plan. He is survived by his wife of 60 years, Dorothy (Harvie) Quigley, 4 sons: Walt Jr., Daniel, Thomas, daughter Ruth, and Michael Quigley; 5 grand daughters, 3 great grandsons and one great granddaughter, one sister, Theresa Mapes of Florida and several nieces and nephews. He was my "Hero"!! In many ways, especially having him for so many years.

I had a hard time writing all this since the 9th meant so much to him.

We were only able to attend two reunions since we lived so far away. A Calif. Chapter was attempted, but not enough signed up to do so.

Walt loved to reminisce of all the battles with anyone who would listen and enjoyed it so much.

Please accept my donation as an honor to Walt and the many other 9th Div. heroes.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Walter T. Quigley

P.S.-I did manage to phone one 9th buddy of Walt's-Mike Belmonte from Illinois to inform him. I wasn't sure if he would inform you, thus I decided to write myself. Mike just said "Walt kept the wheels moving"

Richard L. Solar

Co. E-39th Infantry Regiment

(Ed note: The following letter was forwarded by email and has been edited for content.)

Hi John,

Not sure if you heard Daddy passed away Dec. 4th. It was quite unexpected. He fell at home (AGAIN)!! He and Mother were trying to get his head to rest on the couch and she said he closed his eyes. The medics revived him, but he was on a breathing machine and never regained consciousness. We are not having a memorial for Daddy until Jan. 27th in Tucson and then he will be buried at the Vet's Cemetery in Phoenix. It's been real hard on Daddy lately. He would walk just a little and be out of breath. Might be more was going on than we knew. But, I do know he is NOT in pain anymore. We will miss him a lot. I never thought we would keep him here on earth as long as we did. I feel very fortunate.

Love to you and Peggy,

Kathy

Kenneth W. Hill

Co. E-39th Infantry Regiment

(Ed note: The following letter has been edited for content. The entire letter will be in the next Octofoil)

I am saddened to report the death of my Dad on Dec. 23rd. He fought a long and hard fight against lung cancer and he left us with the same grace and style I've seen any time he was faced with adversity.

Your letters and thoughts were very important to him and he regretted not being able to see everyone at the reunions the last couple of years. I feel I know all of you because of the wonderful stories he shared with us.

Wade Hill, on behalf of the Kenneth W. Hill family.

CHAPTER NEWS

FLORIDA CHAPTER NEWSLETTER

FLORIDA CHAPTER REUNION: The Reunion Committee has been busy searching for a site to hold the 2007 FL Chapter Spring Reunion. Of all the locations considered, it looks like St. Augustine, FL will be the final choice. As soon as a contract is signed preparations of the Information Sheet and Order form will begin and be sent out approximately 5 weeks prior to opening day.

NEWS FROM OUR MEMBERS

Marty Gross: A triple by-pass surgery was performed on Marty in September. That didn't stop him from attending the National Reunion in Branson, MO. Marty has been making good progress in his recovery. He is the Chairman of the Florida Chapter Reunion Committee and will be making trips to St. Augustine to survey different hotels and hopefully sign a contract. Pres. Gross's phone number is [REDACTED]

Ret. Col. Ralph Williams: [REDACTED]

Sidney Forman: In addition to sending in dues for the next three years, Sidney and his wife Bryna moved to [REDACTED] FL 34448. Phone: 516 622 2108 or email: sidfor [REDACTED] Please update your roster.

Faye & Ira Moser: Faye sent photos taken at the 2006 Florida Chapter Reunion in Titusville. Photos will be displayed during our 2007 Reunion. The Mosers have been doing lots of traveling. They attended the National Reunion in Branson, MO....got sun tanned at the beaches and froze during their trips to the mountains. They are looking forward to attending the 2007 Chapter Reunion. Ira & Faye may be reached at [REDACTED]

Herb & Jackie Frank: Jackie sent in a nice "Thank you note" expressing their good time had at the 2006 Titusville Reunion. Herb & Jackie are new members who joined our chapter several years ago.

Clyde Bobbitt: Lila Stansell sent in the obituary on member Clyde Bobbitt who died on Wednesday, February 1, 2006 at the Sandalwood Nursing Center, Daytona Beach, FL. Clyde fought in both WWII and the Korean War. He was district commander of the VFW District 19 in Daytona Beach. Clyde was a member of the Florida Chapter for many years but had never attended any of our reunions. Our prayers and condolences go to his family, May his soul rest in peace, Amen.

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CHAPTER NEWS (cont.)

FLORIDA CHAPTER NEWSLETTER (cont.)

ATTENTION ALL MEMBERS: Please send in news...change of address...email addresses, etc., to Emil J. De Donato, [REDACTED]

TEXAS & GREATER SOUTHWEST

Meeting: Five Star Inn; Burleson, TX; November 2-3, 2006

The meeting was conducted by President Jack Blann, who in his opening remarks thanked Sam Burns and Anita Biver for arranging the facilities and the catered barbeque meal.

Willard and Mabel Norris were unable to attend as were Ernie and Rose Botella. Rose is recovering from a broken hip.

Sam Burns reported that he had hosted nine men from Co. F, 39th on October 12-15, 2006 in Burleson. What is remarkable is they came from CA, Miss, KY, NY, TN, AZ, and OK. As this is being written, Anita Biver called to say that Sam Burns is in the hospital awaiting a heart valve replacement and work on a cataroid artery. His home address is: 277 Shadow Oaks Drive, Burleson, TX 76028.

Word has come to us that Charles Newton, Anti-Tank, and Pete Rice, our past President, and Richard Solar, AZ have passed away.

Charles Scheffel, 39th, has published a book of his experiences, starting in North Africa. When we have more info on price and mailing address, will include in our next report.

Attending the meeting in Burleson were: M/M Jack Blann, Sam Burns & Anita Biver, M/M Herb Stern, John and Chris Tittle, and Gordon Schneider.

Our next meeting will be held at the Summer's Mill Resort, April 12-13, 2007. They are holding the same room rate at \$75.00 plus tax.

Gordon A. Schneider

ILLINOIS CHAPTER

The Colliers and Belmontes were solo representatives of the Illinois Chapter for the Reunion in Branson in October. We were fortunate that my son drove all the way as I do very little if any driving. That's what comes with age. Other than that, my health is pretty good except for some memory losses.

The Reunion was great and we thoroughly enjoyed it. The Saturday night Showboat performance was excellent as was the food. That night we had a star among us—George Brown was called up to the stage to be part of the act. He did an outstanding performance.

Bill Robey is to be commended for the excellent job of running the Reunion again this year. The only regret was that the number of men attending was very low. We missed John Clouser, Tom Hatton and Elmer Wagner who normally attend but were unable to make it this year.

The Sons and Daughters organization is to be commended on their good work in assisting the Committee with the Reunion. There definitely is a need for the younger group to help us out.

We were happy to hear the next Reunion will be in Grand Rapids, Michigan. Lord willing we will plan on attending as it is practically in our back yard (more or less). We may again enlist the aid of our son to drive although my wife could probably handle that trip which is a lot closer than Branson was this year.

Haven't heard much from Peggy Hennemuth, DV Heller or Lorraine Clark but assume they are doing fine. We hear from Gordon Anderson frequently and he is enjoying his life in Tennessee with his son and his wife.

Nothing much new. Know this issue will be published after the Holidays but want to wish everyone a very Happy and Healthy New Year.

Respectfully submitted,

Mike Belmonte
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 [REDACTED]

Back in May we were very sorry to hear that Emma Killen, wife of our Secretary, Treasurer, and Editor, suffered a stroke. It was difficult time for Joe and the family, but with the Grace of God she kept improving with each passing day. Now Emma gets around in a wheelchair, and we pray for her full recovery.

Rose and I had a close call of our own back in July. While waiting for a traffic light at a busy intersection, we were hit from behind and our car was totaled. We were very fortunate not to suffer any injury.

We managed to make the Michigan Chapter Picnic on August 5th. Once again we met at Mary Doring's lovely place in Alto, MI on a most beautiful day. There was a fine turnout of 24, including some that we haven't seen for quite a while. Among those who came were Jane Young and John W. Jr., widow and son of late Buddy, John "Al" Young, Co. D, 60th. It was nice of John to bring his Mom who lives in Battle Creek, MI. That's not too far from Fort Custer where most of the Vets from Michigan were inducted into the Service. Earlier it was called Camp Custer from which the original 93 Regular Army men came from to form the new Ninth Infantry Division at Fort Bragg, NC during the summer of 1940.

Having Jane and her son with us brought back memories of a few years ago when the Michigan Chapter met for an unforgettable weekend at John "Al" & Jane Young's retirement home in Lewiston, MI. Many who were there are no longer with us, but they were all remembered at the Memorial Service led by National 1st V.P. Tom Hatton. Our latest loss, Everett Tapp was much in our thoughts. Everett would seldom if ever miss a Chapter or National doing. Being on the Board of Governors, his dream was to bring the next Convention to Grand Rapids, MI. With his passing it was decided at the Picnic Meeting not to pursue this any further. (There was a big surprise waiting as we've learned later.)

We missed the National Convention in Branson, MO, but we made the Memorial Weekend in Worcester, MA. It rained (with some sleet) all the way to Herkimer, NY where we stopped for the night. Then the weather turned nice for the remainder of our journey, and stayed that way through the entire weekend. Once again our great friends Henry & Theresa Shimkoski met us in the lobby, and we went out to enjoy a dinner together. Upon our return to the hotel we had the pleasure of Herb & Polly Olson's hospitality in the CP room with all our friends. We were pleasantly surprised to see Emma with Joe, and she looked fine. It was nice talking with George and Janet Brown who attended the Reunion. We were pleased to hear that Jim Dawson was elected our National President. We were also very surprised that the next National Convention will be in Grand Rapids, MI. During the course of the evening everyone had a chance to tell their war stories over again. As usual it was an enjoyable evening at the CP.

Sunday morning we rode to church with Henry & Theresa Shimkoski and we stopped at the original Father Connor's Coffee Shop. Father Bill Champlin came down to meet our group as he always does. Due to some cancellations there were only 21 of us, the smallest turnout ever. Just before

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Mass, we were led in procession to tour reserved pews up front. Father Bill made a fine introduction before the Solemn Mass. The sound of Taps brought tears to our eyes. The outdoor Service at the Memorial was also emotional with the placing of the wreath and a few words offered by Father Bill, Joe Killen, and Herb Olson. Then Al Perna stepped forward and expressed a few memories of the large crowds in years gone by. He mentioned the great parades that assembled at the Firehouse a half-mile down the road. Father Connors would lead us to the Gold Star Boulevard, and then to the church. Those were our Glory Years. Then back at the hotel (now called the Worchester Hotel) we enjoyed our Luncheon and shared our final conversations till the "next time", God Willing.

Before we received our latest Octofoil, a letter came from Ronald Hirst of Wiesbaden, Germany. We were surprised that he had already read our article in the June-August issue. He inquired if I knew who was first to enter Belgium during the War, and at what point did they enter. According to the Ninth Recon History Book, it was the 3rd Recon Platoon led by Lt. James F. Harner on September 2, 1944 at 1107 Hours. They crossed the Belgium border at 35 MPH, and didn't encounter any resistance until they reached the town of Macon. I wasn't in the 3rd Platoon, but Gordon Anderson remembers the event and would write to Ronald. If anyone else from the 3rd Platoon remembers that mission, please write to Ronald Hirst at: Mathildenstrasse 4

D-65189 Wiesbaden, Germany

With the Holidays upon us, Rose and I wish each and everyone a Blessed Christmas and the very best in the New Year.

Respectfully,
John Bonkowski

MAIL CALL

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Seeking Information Letter

Greetings,

I am a History Channel producer and I am trying to get information on the Frezenberg Castle and the story behind Carl Sheridan's Medal of Honor citation. Any information on this 1944 battle would be greatly appreciated.

Thank you,

Sam Dolan

Producer

Flight 33 Productions

(Ed. Note: Please contact your provisional editor for Mr. Dolan's contact information.)

Claude E. Berghorn

Enclosed is a donation to the Association's Memorial Fund in remembrance of my Dad, Emery "Hank" Berghorn, Hq's Btry, 26th FA.

I would appreciate continuing to receive the Octofoil if that is permitted. Through it I've learned of and been able to track down four out of print books about the Ninth.

I hope your wife's health is progressing and wish you both the happiest of holidays

Claude

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Seeking Information Letter

9th M.P. Platoon

James Russell Camp

I am looking for information, such as film, photos, and names of towns between the Battle of the Bulge, Remagen and the end of the war—near the Elbe River.

Also, occupational duty information from the Traunstein area.

I lost all my papers and photos for this period of time to Katrina in 2005.

Sincerely,

James Russell Camp

P.S. Enclosed please find a check for 2007 dues-9th Inf. Div., Florida Ass'n

Co. B-39th Infantry Regiment

Albert J. Baccile

I write this article in a reflective mood.

I feel honored to have served my country with such a wonderful bunch of buddies, and sad that so few are left.

A day does not pass without thoughts of days long past and memories of wonderful companionships that exist right to the present.

Sorry I could not make the last reunion. However, I'm still dancing with the stars. But who knows for how long.

P.S. I'm sending a check for dues and the rest in memory of my old buddy former "B" Co. Mess Sgt. "Albert The Hawk" DiRisio one of the great characters and one of the most humorous and talented man one could ever know.

P.S. Excuse the scribble I'm getting shaky at 90.

God bless the 9th

(Ed note: Please continue to send your letters for Mail Call to:

Bill Robey, Acting Secretary

1005 Elkhart Street

Oxon Hill, MD 20745

Also, comments/suggestions should be sent to Bill or your Provisional Editors, see page 23)

Battery B- 84th FA Bn

Henry L. "Hank" Downs

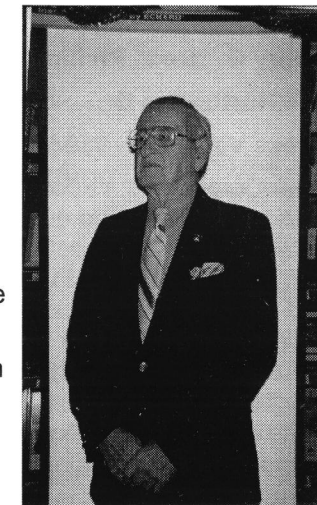
Enclosed you will find a 3-year renewal for my membership in the 9th Div. Assoc. I figure if I pay for 3-years, I will live 3 more years.

I also hope this note finds you in good health. I sure would like to see the 9th Div. Reunion at Fort Bragg once again while there's still a few of us left.

Joe, here's wishing you the very best of everything. I am enclosing a recent picture of myself (2006) so you can get an idea of what I look like after 86 years. That's the Bronze Star Ribbon in my coat lapel.

So-long and may God Bless you and yours,

Henry "Hank" Downs



Ninth Recon

John Bonkowski

This is our article for the next Octofoil. I've done my best to contain it as brief as possible. Feel free to change anything you wish. You are doing a great job and your dedicated effort is appreciated.

It really was nice to see Emma and you in Worcester. She looked fine and we pray for her full recovery. May God Bless you both, always.

Enclosed is our humble donation to the Memorial Fund in Memory of all our departed.

Sincerely,

John Bonkowski

P.S. May your Holidays be wonderful.

Co. M-60th Infantry Regiment

Bonifacio Campos

Dues for three more yrs remember last time I wrote that I might last three yrs well I did. Now we will see if I will last another 3 yrs. Use the rest of money in memory of Robert Bovanizer late supt of Co. M, 60th Inf. Have a Merry Xmas & healthy new year & same for all M. Co. men, 60th

Un amigo, Borri

Co. M-47th Infantry Regiment

Henry G. "Red" Phillips

Dear Compadres: I apologize that my letter in the last Octofoil failed to include "The Matt Urban Story" by Himself and Charles Conrad, who are certainly among those doing much to publicize the 9th. I've been chided for not mentioning some of those little books put together in Germany in the early days of the Occupation, like the "History of the 47th Infantry", "Follow Thru" (1st Lt. Morton J. Stussman), "The Final Thrust" and "Hold Fast" (Joseph B. Mittelman, who later edited "Eight Stars to Victory.") Also, a lady in Honolulu has reminded me that I also forgot to mention the late Herb Clark's delightful "God Rest Ye Merry Gentlemen," I'm happy to do it now. And there's also the enviable "The Fox Company (AAA-O)," put out by Sam Burns and Ward Payne. I've been trying to get a hold of "Paddy," by Robert A. Anderson, as suggested by Joe Killen in the recent Octofoil, but Heritage Books, its publisher, say it's presently "out of stock" and, while there's talk of another edition, no decision yet. By the way, does any reader know of the current whereabouts of former lieutenants Stussman or Mittelman, editors of some of those postwar orientation books?

A couple of books by 9th vets were not included because I then thought they were still in progress, but would be available by the time of this Octofoil. The first was Don Lavender's "Nudge Blue", an account of this rifleman's experiences with 1/39 from October '44 when he joined in the Huertgen Forest to January '45 when he left to get discharged and return home. His book was published after I submitted my letter to the previous Octofoil. It is interesting because its author has the perspective of the enlisted infantryman. The other book was Charley Scheffel's "Crack and Thump", about his time as a company officer in A/39 and as S3 of 1/39. It is on order and I will be writing about it soon.

Joe Killen reminded me of another book that might have been on my list. In this case the author was a wife, Rosemarie Workman whose late spouse was a member of H/39. Her book was "Love, War & Remembrance" and it may be available from its publisher, Trillium Press of Unionville, NY. My latest book, a re-write of my first, "Heavy Weapons", has hit a snag with its final bit, the index. Previously, I've made up these features for my books the hard but simple way, by hand. With my new Mac, however, I decided to let it do the work. Alas, I have lots more to learn in this area.

Claude Berghorn of Lakewood, CO and the son of one-time T4 Hank Berghorn of Hq Btry, 26th FA Bn, tells me that Colonel (Ret.) Evert E. Stong, who commanded the 26th from August '43 to Nov. '44, self-published "A Kasserine Beginning" in 2004. I will be after a copy and report on it later. It undoubtedly covers the 9th Divarty triumph at Thala, Tunisia, which I would like to know more about.

I've also heard from fellow historian Ronald M.A. Hirst, once of the 60th's 2nd Bn & now of Wiesbaden, Germany. Ron extols a French historian, M. Andre' Hamel, who has had two books published which are essentially of the 9th sweep through Normandy in the summer of '44. He suggests that I gather up all the books mentioned in my article, which he would gift to this worthy author. If M. Hamel's books are as good as our friend says, maybe the answer is to get one of them translated and published here in the USA so all could enjoy. That's the name of the game, Ron, and I'll be happy to help.

Capt. Charles Scheffel U.S.A Ret.

I believe it was in 1949 that I first met Barry Bastin. He called me from Plano, TX, as an interviewer for the Military Museum in Fredricksburg, TX, saying he wanted to interview me as a veteran of WWII for war stories. After many meetings and recorded questions and answers in October, 1991, he stated that he personally wanted to write a book about my combat times.

We signed an agreement where I gave him all rights including any income from such. The printer is now working on publishing this 6 years of interviewing to have into book form of about 120,000 words with a title of "Crack! and Thump with a Combat Officer in World War II, Captain Charles Scheffel with Barry Batten."

It is now on sale for \$20.00 (shipping included) from Camroc Press, LLC; P.O. Box 203; Llano, TX 78643

(Ed note: Due to space limitations, all remaining Mail Call letters will be published in the next Octofoil, April 2007. Thank you for your patience and understanding.)

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Make payments by CHECK OR MONEY ORDER payable to: "62nd Reunion 2007"

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William G. Robey, Reunion Co-Chairman

1005 Elkhart Street, Oxon Hill, MD 20745

Deposits of \$150.00 per person must be made by April 1, 2007. Final payments **MUST BE MADE BY JULY 1, 2007**. Reservations made after July 1, 2007 will be subject to room availability. If final payment is not made by July 1, 2007, then the deposit will be refunded. All reservations **MUST BE MADE** with this form. **DO NOT CALL THE HOTEL DIRECT**. For more information, call Bill Robey, toll free at 1-866-229-2377, pin #3322. You may use a copy of the registration form if you do not want to cut up your Octofoil.

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Arrival Date _____ Departure Date _____

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9th Div Unit (Regt., Co., Btry): _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

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\$324.00

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\$290.00

Hotel will give us the same special rate for 3 days before and 3 days after our reunion for those who want to stay longer in Grand Rapids. Please indicate on form if you wish extra days. Cost will be added to above. The costs for meals, etc., will be figured separately for those who only want to attend functions and not stay at the hotel. Check with Bill Robey at above phone number for these costs.

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The exit will take you to the right.
Continue on 28th St. through one stoplight,
which is Kraft Ave. The Crowne Plaza will
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into I-96. Take I-96 to Exit 43B. Exit will
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light, which is Kraft Ave. The Crowne Plaza will be on your right just after the stoplight.

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ceed through the light. The Crowne Plaza will be on your right just passed the light.

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You will go back under the highway. Continue on 28th St. to the first light, which is Kraft Ave. Pro-
ceed through the light. The Crowne Plaza will be on your right just passed the light.



Sons and Daughters Auxiliary

The second annual Sons and Daughters Auxiliary Business Meeting was held in the Table-
rock Room A at around 1:30PM on Saturday, October, 7, 2006. Provisional officers Mary Blann Co-
oper, John Sabato and William Sauers opened the meeting using a free form discussion format.
There were 30 to 40 descendants in attendance consisting of children, grandchildren, nieces, neph-
ews, son and daughter-in-laws and friends.

One of the major topics discussed was the proposed new format for "The Octofoil". A proto-
type copy of the new format was passed around for all see. The new format with its anticipated cost
savings for the Association was generally well received by those present.

Mary passed out our new charter membership cards and also took in new applications and
dues. A short discussion followed about the potential increase in the membership dues, however, we
will do everything possible to keep it at \$5.00 for now.

William gave a checking account status and explained that the decision was made last year
to open a joint personal account as opposed to a business account. A free checking account at this
point was more advantageous for the auxiliary. Thinking positively, as our membership grows and
we become more involved in other out-reach programs it might then become necessary to open a
business account.

In answer to a question from the floor, this is a non-interest bearing account. William stated
that from October 1, 2005 to September 30, 2006 there were total deposits of \$745.00, total ex-
penses of \$412.19, leaving a balance of \$332.81. Should anyone wish to receive a detailed account-
ing, please send him an email.

Torry Crass, our webmaster and web site host gave a short presentation about the site and
its development. He encouraged all of us to register on the site so that we can add postings, articles
of interest, etc. He also stated that he intends to add historical text documents from the National
Archives as time permits. Having a search function for these documents may be the technical chal-
lenge. Torry is the grandson of Donald Crass, F Company, 60th Inf. Regt.. Everyone of us can con-
tribute something to help make this site number one on all search engines for The Ninth Infantry Di-
vision Association.

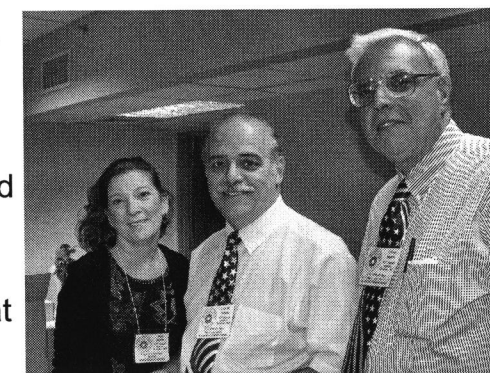
A motion was put forward to have the S's & D's Auxiliary fund the cost of the lanyard badges
for all future reunions. After some discussion the motion passed unanimously.

A second motion was put forward to donate \$150.00 to the parent association to help offset the cost
of producing "The Octofoil". After discussion about the current publication costs the motion passed
unanimously.

A third motion voted on was to contribute \$75.00 to the La-
dies Auxiliary for a donation to one of their favorite charities. This
motion was passed unanimously. In 2005 the Ladies Auxiliary
generously supplied the seed money to get the Sons and Daugh-
ters Auxiliary started. Last word has it that they were going to send
it to a VA Hospital, but had not made a selection.

Other discussion topics included election and length of service of
officers, by-laws, increasing membership, activities for S's & D's at
the reunions, newsletter articles and developing our own mission
statement. These items continue to be open for discussion and it
is hoped that we will get input from all of you.

Respectfully,
Your Provisional Officers



Mary Blann Cooper, John
M. Sabato, William Sauers

Photo courtesy of John Sabato

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I wish to purchase the following: YES or NO (circle one)

Ninth Infantry Division Association Decals: 2 for \$1.00 TOTAL AMOUNT DUE:

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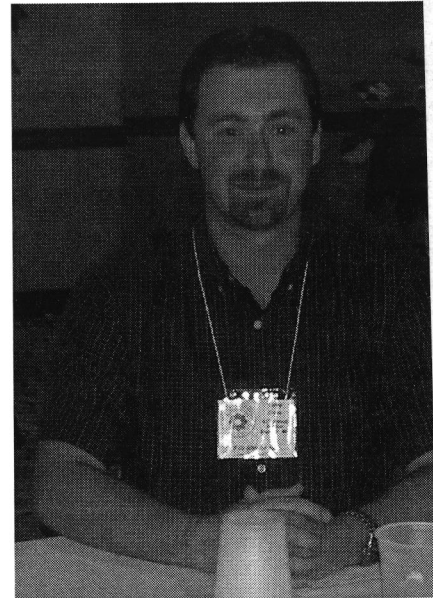
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Check It Out!

When you check out our web site don't forget to register. We all should be well represented. Torry Crass, our esteemed web-master is working hard to keep our site spam free. He also intends to add historical text records from the National Archives as time permits. By the way, the more we hit the site the higher we go on search pages.



Mr. Torry Crass

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