



“WINGED VICTORY DIVISION”

# BULLETIN

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## IN MEMORIAM

### ROLAND J. LAMARRE

( 43D Infantry Division )

Roland, 91, passed away on Friday, April 29, 2011. He served four years in the 43d in the Pacific and upon returning home, became a member of the Pawtucket Fire Department for 28 years before retiring as Battalion Chief in 1974. He then became Deputy State Fire Marshall until 1980.

Roland and his wife Gloria enjoyed spending winters in South Pasadena, Florida since 1979. Besides his wife, Roland leaves two sons, Robert and Douglas, a daughter, Susan M. Vinhaterio, two granddaughters and several nieces and nephews.

### HENRY CHANDLER

(E Co., 102d Infantry)

Henry passed on April 10, 2011. He was stationed at Camp Picket and in Germany. No other information available.

### FRANCIS R. COLAVITO

( I Co., 103d INF )

“Frank”, 91, passed on April 24, 2011 at his home. He was a graduate of Barringer High School and attended Seton Hall Urban Division. Francis retired from the U.S. Postal Service as a supervisor and manager in Newark, NJ. and Washington, D.C. for over 35 years.

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## 65th REUNION UPDATE

### JOIN US FOR OUR ANNUAL REUNION - REGISTRATION FORM ON PAGE 3

**DATE:** Friday August 12 through Sunday August 14, 2011

**PLACE:** Hartford Marriott Rocky Hill, Rocky Hill, CT 06067-3575.

**ROOM RATES:** Same as last time, \$99.00 per night. Be sure to tell them that you are with the 43d Infantry Division Veterans Assn. room block.

#### Friday, August 12, 2011:

Mohegun Sun Casino bus trip from 10:00 am –5:00 pm. See details page 3.

**Friday Night: 7:00 pm – 7:30 pm:** Officers meeting.

**Friday Night: 7:45 pm– 9:00 pm–** Ice Cream Social with a slide show.

#### Saturday, August 13, 2011:

**10:00 am–** 43d Memorial Service at the Marriot Hotel

**2:00 pm–** Members meeting, all are welcome.

**5:30 pm–** Cocktail hour

**6:30 pm–** Dinner

**RAFFLE:** We’ll be holding a raffle again this year. If anyone would like to donate a raffle item, please let me know by mail or email.

**ENTERTAINMENT:** The George Manstan Big Band will be back again with their live music after the reunion dinner!

## 43d SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS

**Christopher D. Morgan**, University Place, WA- Sponsor:Raymond A. Morrison

**Christopher W. Schacht**, Staten Island, NY– Sponsor: Joseph J. Kosinski

**Susan C. Welte**, Derby, KY– Sponsor: Robert S. Welte

## IN MEMORIAM Cont'd

Frank moved to Toms River, NJ in 2001 after residing in New Port Richey, Florida for 24 years. He was a member of VFW Posts in Florida and NJ, the 43d Sunbelt Chapter, and the N.A.R.F.E. He is survived by his wife Elizabeth of 40 years, nieces and nephews.

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We have recently learned of the death of the following members of the Division. They were not current members of the Association. Unit, date, and place of death.

**FLOYD JAMES PIOLI, SR**  
April 15, 2011, 192d FA

**ALFONZO MASCIANDARO**  
March 30, 2011, 169th Inf. Reg.

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Member Lee Schmidt from Savannah, IL sent in this photo along with a donation, ( see above ).

Lee Schmidt ( left ) and Louie Beinlich ( right ) were with the 103d Infantry Cannon Co. Lee does not know who captured this 100mm mortar and rocket launcher, but it was while they were on the drive to re-take Ipo Dam.

“The rocket launcher was a very crude affair, with not very much accuracy, but it certainly did make an unnerving noise in flight.”  
They called it the “Screaming Meemie”.



## 43d MEMORIAL and BRICK WALK UPDATE

Great News!!! Plans are moving along with the Memorial. The last two bronze plaques are being forged ( see back page ), and the final design is set. The location of the monument at the State Veterans Cemetery in Middletown, CT is just about finalized, and the contract for the stonework is signed. Unfortunately, the size stone needed for the monument is not readily available, and by the time the stone is excavated, cut and shipped; it will arrive after our 65th reunion in August. Best estimate is that the monument will be delivered and placed on site in late September, early October 2011. The engraved brick walk will probably be installed in the spring of 2012 as we still need funds to finish the Brick Walk section of the project.

## GENEROUS MEMBERS

The Association would like to thank the following members for their generosity and continued support:

**PAUL FUCHSMAN and family-** In loving memory of, **DOROTHY**, wife, mother and grandmother, for the Scholarship Fund.

**JACK DOUGHTY, JR-** In memory and honor of those men who served with F Co. Regimental Combat Team, 103d Infantry during the IPO Dam Campaign.

**MRS. MAMIE LEWIS EWERS-** In memory of her husband **1st LT. LEWIS EWERS**, for the 43d Memorial Project.

**LEE R. SCHMIDT-** General fund.

**EMILY S. PALMESE-** In memory of her husband **PATSY A. PALMESE** for the 43d Memorial Project.

**ROBERT D. KENNEDY**

**LUCY THIEDE and Family-** In memory of **MSG WALTER G. THIEDE**, M Co., 169th Infantry

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**WHAT: 65th ANNUAL RENUION – 43d INFANTRY DIVISION**  
**WHEN: FRIDAY, AUGUST 12, 2011—SUNDAY, AUGUST 14, 2011**  
**WHERE: HARTFORD MARRIOTT, ROCKY HILL at CORPORATE RIDGE**  
**100 Capital Blvd., Rocky Hill, CT 06067 Reservations: 860-257-6000**

**GREAT FOOD! RAFFLE! MUSIC! DANCING! MEET OLD FRIENDS!**

**2011 – Reunion Package:**

**Includes Friday night entertainment, Saturday night dinner along with the George Manstan Big Band.**

Cocktail hour begins Saturday night at 5:30 PM, dinner begins at 6:30 PM

Meal Selection:

Chicken Piccata.....\$54.00 x # \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Sliced London Broil.....\$54.00 x # \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Filet of Sole.....\$54.00 x \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Registration Fee **\$ 10.00**

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**Friday, August 12, 2011**

**Trip to Mohegan Sun Casino..... \$45.00 x # \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

Mohegan Sun bus trip leaving from Marriott hotel @ 10:00 am,  
back to Marriot hotel @ 5:00 pm  
Includes \$15.00 meal ticket and \$15.00 in betting vouchers.

**Total Enclosed: \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

Name of Member \_\_\_\_\_

Names of Guests Attending \_\_\_\_\_

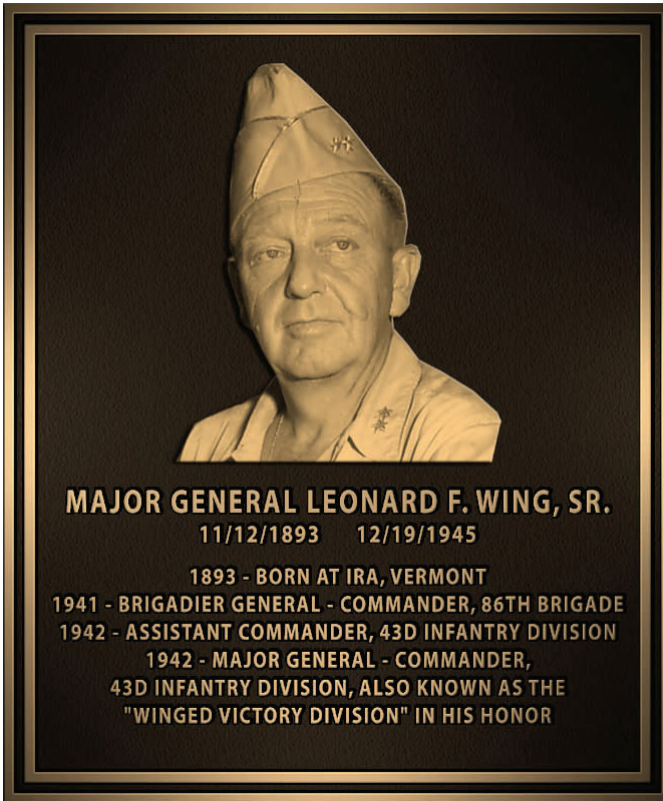
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PLEASE COMPLETE THIS FORM & MAIL IT WITH YOUR CHECK TO:

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Questions? Contact David Thiede at 860-828-8037, or via email at [Dutch2001@aol.com](mailto:Dutch2001@aol.com)



The last two bronze plaques for the 43d Monument have been ordered. The plaque with Gen. Wing will be placed on the VT side, and the one with the 43d shoulder patch will be placed on the CT side.



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