



# 63rd Infantry Division Newsletter

Issue Number 42

May 2008

All information in this Newsletter is developed by Fred Clinton, Webmaster, 63rd Infantry Division and does not necessarily reflect the views of other individuals and is in no way an Official Publication of the 63rd Infantry Division or 63rd Infantry Division Association.

I thought it was about time I prepared another Internet Newsletter to bring you up to date on what has been going on with the website and other things relating to the 63rd Infantry Division.

First current items:

## **NATIONAL REUNION:**

The 60th annual reunion of the 63rd Infantry Division Associations will take place in Indianapolis Indiana from 20-24 August 2008. Details of this reunion can be found at the following address:

[www.63rdinfdiv.com/reunionspage1.html](http://www.63rdinfdiv.com/reunionspage1.html)

## **PHOTOGRAPHS AND PERSONAL MEMOIRS**

Unfortunately our veterans are passing away at an alarming rate and often wartime photos and personal memoirs are lost or put away without being shared with others.

Now is the time to let us preserve those photographs of 63rd Infantry Division veterans and to record their personal experiences. So if you have either photographs or memoirs that have not been sent in to be included in our historical files please do so before they are lost forever.

Photos can be sent in as attachments to e-mail to me at [joyclint@comcast.net](mailto:joyclint@comcast.net) Please be sure to include a caption for each photo if possible. Photos can also be sent to me at 102 S. Jenkins Street, Alexandria, VA 22304 on CDs in jpg format. The original photos can also be sent to that address and after processing I will return

## **A TOUR OF THE 63RD INFANTRY DIVISION WEB SITE**

Over the past few years the 63rd Infantry Division web site has grown from just a few pages and photos to a site of over 580 pages with almost 3100 hundred photographs and images. Sometimes when I "leaf" through the pages I am amazed at the amount of information contained on the web site and every now and then find a section that I had almost forgotten about.

So, with that in mind I thought I would "walk" you through the web site and point out some areas that you may not have found as yet.

The starting point will be the "INDEX" page- this is the page that comes up when you type in [www.63rdinfdiv.com](http://www.63rdinfdiv.com) to reach the web site.

You can reach any part of the web site from the INDEX page, sometimes directly other times by going to a page and then clicking on subjects within that page.

Recap of the Index Page:

\*\* On the left of the page you will see a menu that will allow you to go directly to the subject matter clicked.

\*\* Just below the "Welcome" message you will see "[Table of Contents](#)"- Click on this and go to a page that list all major subjects alphabetically. Click on the subject desired and go to that section.

\*\* Want to see what the 63rd Infantry Division Wartime Newspaper, "The Blood and Fire" looked like? See excerpts from a number of these publications at "[The Blood and Fire](#)"

\*\* Want to see who appears in all of the photos

them.

Once process photos will appear in the appropriate photo section of the web site and on the Pictorial History of the 63rd Infantry Division CD and on the History CD for the unit they pertain to. Copies of these CDs are furnished to a number of museums and libraries including the Library of Congress and the Camp Van Dorn Museum..

Written experiences are also included on the history CD of the unit concerned and if desired we will send them to the Library of Congress Veterans History Program.

Please don't let those memoirs and photos be lost to future generations.

### **CAMP VAN DORN MUSEUM:**

The Camp Van Dorn Museum is up and running in Centreville, MS. From what I hear they have been getting wonderful support from the 63rd Infantry Division veterans.

Still needed by the Museum are military momentos from WWII and the 63rd Infantry Division as well as donation of funds for maintenance and displays. If you can provide either of these please contact the Museum at 138 East Main, Centreville, MS 39631 or by e-mail: [info@vandorn.org](mailto:info@vandorn.org) or by phone at 601-645-9000. Their web site can be accessed at : [www.vandorn.org](http://www.vandorn.org)

Your support and assistance will be appreciated.

NOTE: I see that the newsletter is a little lopsided, but I have run out of subjects to write about and don't want to split the "walk through" of the web site.

I'll try and do better next time.

included on the web site? Go to "[Alphabetical Listing of Individuals appearing in Photographs on this web site](#)"

\*\* Want see what type of photos are included and photos of a particular unit? Go to the following:

[Photo Index Page 1 \(Combat Photos\)](#)

[Photo Index Page 2 \(Occupation Photos\)](#)

[Photo Index Page 3 \(Miscellaneous Photos\)](#)

On these pages you will find the subject and/or unit listed. Click on the subject and/or unit and you will go to the page on which those photos or images appear.

\*\* Want to see all of the photos included on the site , then go to the "Thumbnail photo images pages" . Once there you can view all photos appearing on the web site, select one and click on it and you will go to that photo in a larger image.

[Thumbnail photos- Combat](#)

[Thumbnail photos- Occupation](#)

[Thumbnail photos- Miscellaneous](#)

\*\* Want to see the alphabetical list of names of individuals on whom information is being sought?

Then go to "[List of names of individuals on whom information is being sought.](#)"

\*\* Want to see the alphabetical list of names of veterans who are looking for their buddies?

Then go to "[The Buddy Search List](#)"

\*\* Want to know if your buddy is an active member of the 63rd Infantry Division Association? Then go to "[Association Members](#)"

\*\* Want to review all of the Internet Newsletters starting with issue #1? Then go to "[Internet Newsletters](#)"

\*\* Want to see if a unit or individual is mentioned anywhere on the web site? Then at the bottom of the Index page after the Internet Newsletter entry you can type what you are looking for in the box and click Search. You will be rewarded with a list of where on the web site the name or subject appears and be able to access that page by clicking on the listing. For example: If you were to type in 254th Infantry Regiment you would receive a listing with 218 entries relating to the 254th Infantry Regiment. If you type in a name- say "Louis Hibbs" our CG you will get about 15 listings. Try it out and

see what happens, if anything.

\*\* Another major page for accessing other sections of the web site is the "[Division History](#)" page. Go to that page and find a number of interesting historical subjects for you to explore.

\*\* Want to know which other divisions have web sites? Go to the [Related Web Sites](#) page and find the division insignia of all divisions that I am aware of that now have some type of web site. Click on the division patch and go to that site. Also the page just prior to the division listings contains a number of related web sites including the Camp Van Dorn Museum site.

OK I guess that is about enough information to keep you busy for awhile. If you have any questions about the site or contents, please contact me at [joyclint@comast.net](mailto:joyclint@comast.net) or by phone 703-751-7548

Thanks for your support

[Home](#)

[Internet Newsletter #41](#)

[Internet Newsletter #43](#)