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Well I didn't think that I would be publishing another newsletter this year, but I feel a need to let you know what is going on with reference to the 63rd Infantry Division Association.

As I start this newsletter I realize that a few days ago, 25 November 1944, which was the day after Thanksgiving in 1944 was the day that the three regiments of the 63rd Infantry Division sailed from the Port Of New York for destinations unknown- unknown at least to those of us in the lower ranks. That was seventy (70) years ago. My how the time flies when your are having fun.

NEW MEMORABILIA LIST

I have been advised that almost all of the Memorabilia Items that were for sale by the 63rd Infantry Division are no longer available. I understand that the printed matter and maps have all been donated to the Camp Van Dorn Museum.

With that in mind I have prepared a new [memorabilia section](#) on the web site with a list of all of the items that are still available. Important changes include complete listing of items that appear on each of the History CDs. This should provide you with a better understanding of the scope of information that is available to you.

I have also included new sections pertaining to the Military Challenge Coins, CIB and CMB certificates and Combat Business cards.

I have just reordered fifty (50) 63rd

LATEST INFORMATION ABOUT THE 63D INFANTRY DIVISION ASSOCIATION:

As previously reported, the Association is in the process of permanently shutting down. Exactly at what stage the process is I am not certain, but here is what I do know:

1. The Association has donated \$5000 to the National Army Museum being constructed in the Fort Belvoir area of Virginia.
2. A "last" Blood and Fire publication will be issue sometime in the next couple of months.
3. The 63d Infantry Division Association-USAR located in California has rejected a plan to accept the files of the association and the surviving members of the WWII 63d Infantry Division Association.
4. The Historian of the 63d Infantry Division Association is now Fred Clinton at joyclint@comcast.net or 102 S. Jenkins Street, Alexandria, VA 22304. Questions relating to the history of the 63rd Infantry Division WWII can be directed to Fred for response. This will be the case even when the Association has been put to rest.
5. The 63rd Infantry Division Web Site will continue to be maintained by Fred until further notice. So if you have items of historical interest that you would like to add to our historical files send them to Fred for processing and publication on the web site and adding to the various history CDs.

Infantry Division Challenge Coins and fifty (50) 254th Infantry Regiment Challenge Coins.

As explained on the memorabilia pages I did not order coins for other division units because of the high cost of coin dies. Dies for the 63d Inf Div and the 254th Inf Regt were purchased by me in 2004 and are still available for my use. At that time those two dies cost around \$1100 for the pair.

Merry Christmas
and Happy
holidays to all.

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