

The Bugle Call

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A Newsletter for and by the Descendants and Friends of
314th Infantry 79th Division, WWI

News from the Trenches

By John H. Shetler, President

To all our members and friends of the 314th Infantry, 79th Division AEF

We have experienced a milestone in the history of the D&F and the former Veterans of the 314th Infantry AEF. The move and gift of the Memorial Cabin to Fort Meade and the transfer and gift from the U.S. Army Heritage & Education Center (AHEC) to Fort Meade Museum of the 314th collection is now complete.

Both of these actions would not have been possible without the help and support of the Washington Memorial Chapel, congregation, vestry, and staff including the leadership and staff of the folks at Fort Meade. I extend my personal thanks to all involved in seeing that the 314th Regiment is preserved and remembered. There is much work for the folks at Meade to accomplish in seeing final fruition of the cabin re-erection. We as a group must express our fullest patience and understanding in that this may take more time than anyone anticipated with many complexities along the way. It is also important that we give our full support throughout this process.

What is more important, and greatly reflects on our past and present, is the fact that the true notion of the original Veterans was not just the cabin & collection. The veterans and descendants goal was, and still is, not just of material things but the continued remembrance, reunions, and extending this to each new generation.

Each of you should be proud as we have been able to continue this uninterrupted since 1919. One of my personal favorite quotes comes from past President and Veteran Ray Nicholson. After the war, he writes in a letter to a recent widow of a member from Company E.

“The use of the words, forget or forgotten, are never used in the 314th.”

As we approach the centennial of the Great War it becomes even more important and I challenge each family member or interested person to pass along the spirit and remembrance to the next generation and gain their interest so that we as a group may continue. Please attend the service this year and perhaps bring someone new.

Our Cabin move fund has been expended and closed out. It was used to cover the cost of the move and gift for Fort Meade. Please accept my sincerest thanks to everyone who has contributed to this fund. Our general fund is alive and healthy; the end of year total amounts to \$16,951.53. We still maintain our Federal 501(c)3 standing.

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Save the Date!

2013 Memorial Program

May 26th, 2:00 PM

Washington Memorial
Chapel

Memorial Program - 2013



The Descendants and Friends are pleased to announce that our annual Memorial Program will be held Sunday May 26th at 2:00 PM. This will be the 95th Annual 314th Memorial Day Service. The service will be held in the nave of the Washington Memorial Chapel as in past years. The Chapel is located along Route 23 about two miles west of the Valley Forge exit of the Pennsylvania Turnpike. Admittance is free and refreshments will be served after the service.

Our speaker this year will be Colonel Edward C. Rothstein, Garrison Commander, Fort Meade. A native of Wayne, N.J., Col. Edward C. Rothstein enlisted into the U.S. Army in 1983 and completed his basic training at Fort Dix, N.J. He was subsequently assigned to the 1-314th Infantry (Mechanized), USAR, Lock Haven, Pa. Upon commissioning through ROTC and completion of the basic course in 1986, Col. Rothstein was assigned to the 6-3rd Air Defense Artillery (PATRIOT) Battalion, Kaiserslautern, Germany, where he held staff positions as the battalion chemical officer and later as the assistant operations officer. In 1990, Col. Rothstein transitioned into the Military Intelligence Corps and was first assigned to 4-17th Infantry (Light), 7th Infantry Division, and Fort Ord, Calif. He served as the battalion intelligence officer for two years.

After the furling of the 7th Infantry Division (Light) colors in 1993, Col. Rothstein was assigned to 743rd Military Intelligence Battalion, Fort Meade, Md., where he served as assistant operations officer, company commander and battalion operations officer.

Staying within the Military District of Washington area, Col. Rothstein served on the 1996 Presidential Inaugural Committee and then reported to the Office of the Deputy Chief of Staff for Intelligence at the Pentagon where he served as a staff action officer.

Col. Rothstein was then assigned to the 302nd Military Intelligence Battalion and V Corps where he served in both Heidelberg and Wiesbaden, Germany, as the corps collection manager, ACE chief and battalion executive officer. While staying in Germany, Col. Rothstein moved to the European Command, Stuttgart serving in multiple staff positions.

In 2005, Col. Rothstein was selected to be the G2, 7th Infantry Division, at Fort Carson, Colorado, that later re-flagged to Division West, 1st Army, and Fort Carson where he continued to serve as the senior intelligence officer. During his time at Fort Carson Col. Rothstein deployed to Iraq with 10th Special Forces Group as part of the Combined Joint Special Operations Task Force - Arabian Peninsula.

Col. Rothstein returned to Fort Meade in 2007 when he served in the Meade Operation Center at the National Security Agency and then as the military assistant to the director's science advisor until 2009. Prior to assuming duties as Fort Meade's garrison commander, Col. Rothstein deployed to Afghanistan in 2010 to Headquarters, International Security Assistance Force (ISAF) initially serving as the collection manager and later as the chief, Intelligence Operations Division.

He holds a Bachelor of Science in Education from Lock Haven State University, a Masters of Human Resources from Webster University and a Masters of National Resource Management from the National Defense University. His professional military education includes Chemical Officer Basic Course, Military Intelligence Transition and Advance Course, Command and General Staff College and the Industrial College of the Armed Forces.

Col. Rothstein's personal awards and decorations include the Legion of Merit, Bronze Star, Defense Meritorious Service Medal, the Meritorious Service Medal, Iraqi Campaign Medal, Afghanistan Campaign Medal, Global War on Terrorism Medal and NATO Medal.

314th Cabin and Collection Update

As announced in the November newsletter, the collection of artifacts has been transferred to the Fort George G. Meade Museum for further preservation and display. Many of those are already on display and several items are in the process of further restoration.

The original Log Cabin Memorial Dedication was held on

September 30, 1922 and was accepted as a gift to Fort Meade on September 30, 2012, on the 90th anniversary of the dedication.

As of the last newsletter, the cabin was still in the deconstruction phase of this project. We are pleased to announce that the cabin has been delivered successfully to Fort Meade for future reconstruction.

This project is the successful culmination of decades of work by generations of Descendants and Friends. We are truly thankful for all of those within the organization that worked so hard to accomplish this and our partners in the effort, especially the congregation and leadership of the Washington Memorial Chapel and the military and civilian staff at Fort Meade. All of the members of the Descendants and Friends of the 314th can look with pride at the outcome of this long and trying mission destined to keep the memories of our forefathers cared for in posterity.

To view photos and read more about the cabin and collection transfer please visit our website at www.314th.org.

History: W.W. I Artillery Shells



The artillery shells that once guided visitors to the 314th cabin at Valley Forge were originally confiscated and brought back via boat by soldiers of the 314th. They were from German 17 cm naval guns, circa 1918. The German Army would have mounted these on wheeled carriages for use as heavy field artillery. Some of the guns, complete on the carriage, were placed on railway mountings and used as rail guns.

In November 2012 the rounds were transferred to Picatinny Arsenal, New Jersey, by some of the Army's finest Explosive Ordnance Device (EOD) soldiers.

The rounds will be inspected, preserved and distributed to Army museums across the nation. Some of the rounds have already arrived at the museum at Fort Meade, while others will find new homes at Aberdeen Proving Ground in Maryland, and Picatinny Arsenal in New Jersey.

Additional historical information can be found on our website at: www.314th.org. Look under the tab on the top bar labeled "Interesting".

www.314th.org

By Tony Patti

During the last year the www.314th.org website:

- Has grown to 204 web pages
- Now contains over 4,000 images
- You can download 23 books and booklets
- Totals 6.7 Gigabytes to tell the story and sacrifices of the 314th Infantry.



World War One Helmet
79th Division - Cross of Lorraine

A few of the web page additions:

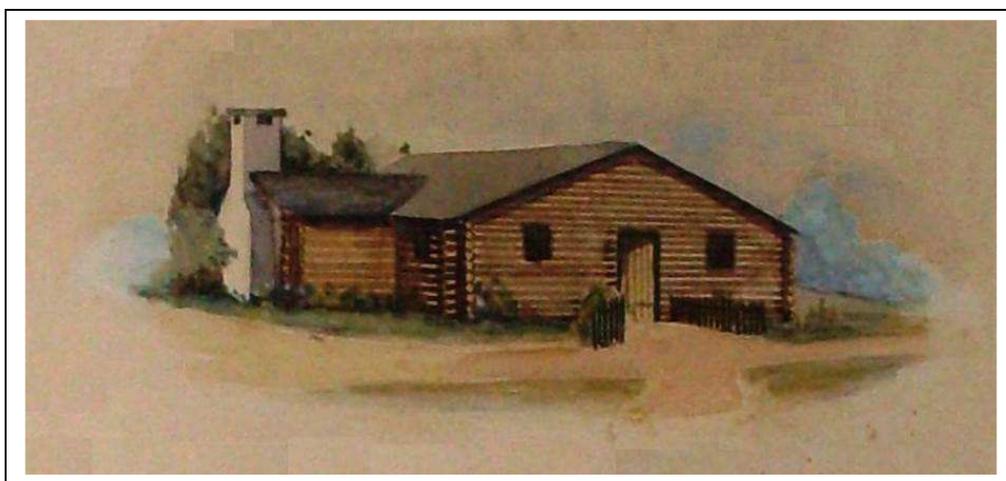
- Cabin Deconstruction Photos and Information about move to Fort Meade
- 1917 War Department Form 164C gave only 4 days notice to report for Military Duty (copy online)
- Full version of the story of Pat the Mascot, written upon his passing 1932
- Charter of the Veterans of the 314th Infantry (which contained image below)
- Link to the WW1 Centennial Network
- Book: Uncle Sam's Fact Book of the World War: 1001 facts worth knowing (271 pages)
- Books: US Army Gas Warfare (German Methods of Offense, US Methods of Defense)
- Book: Philadelphia in the World War 1914-1919
- US Army 79th Infantry Division Band (1953) playing Marche Lorraine

If anyone has other information they can provide to add to the website, including especially about our Veterans, and old cabin photographs, that information would be most welcome! You can email them to Tony Patti at tonyspatti@comcast.net.

President's Note:

Tony very generously provides our website at no cost for all to view and explore.

The D&F 314th sincerely thanks him for this!

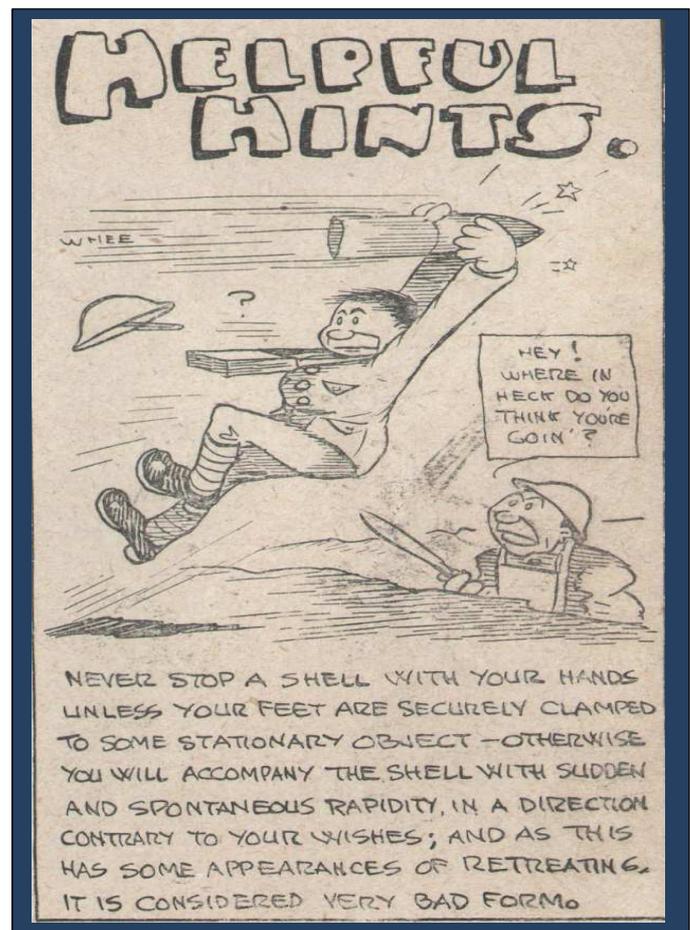


Humor

Private Abian A. "Wally" Wallgren worked as a cartoonist for the Philadelphia Public Ledger and Washington Post before the outbreak of WWI, when he served in France with the Fifth Marines of the First Division.

Wallgren's cartoons appeared in every issue of The Stars and Stripes, poking fun at army life, satirizing the absurdity of army regulations, and highlighting the differences between the army brass and the frontline soldier.

Numerous trips to the war front gave him material for his cartoons and first-hand experience about what soldiers considered humorous.



This, and other cartoons, can be found on our website at: www.314th.org. Look under the tab on the top bar labeled "Interesting".

WORLD WAR I CENTENNIAL NETWORK

The World War I Centennial Network is a collaborative association of organizations, museums and historic sites in the United States related to the First World War. The 314th is proud to be a member of the Centennial Network.

The goal of the Network is to further public awareness of the history and memory of The Great War (1914-1918) as we approach and experience its centenary years. To this end, the World War I Centennial Network fosters collaboration and cross-promotion of the special events, commemorations and exhibits created by its members.

Please visit their site for more information: www.ww1-centennial.org

Membership Form

DESCENDANTS AND FRIENDS OF THE 314th AEF

We invite you to become or continue membership!

Classes of Membership:

Widows of WW1 Veterans (Free) _____

Students under 18 years \$2.00 _____

Contributing Member \$5.00 _____

Family or Supporting \$10.00 _____

Patron \$25.00 _____

Benefactor \$50.00 _____

Endowment Gifts: \$100.00 _____ (or more)

Checks should be made out to: DESCENDANTS AND FRIENDS OF THE 314th INFANTRY

Please mail this form with your check to:

Descendants and Friends 314th c/o
Ray Jude Paski
602 Arch Street
Spring City, PA. 19475

Please make checks payable to: Descendants and Friends of the 314th Infantry
Contributions are tax deductible.

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Address: _____

City, State, ZIP: _____

E-mail: _____

Name and relationship of veteran: _____