



THE THUNDERING THIRD

NEWSLETTER



THIRD BATTALION, FOURTH MARINES ASSOCIATION

44 Old Marlborough Road, Maynard, MA 01754

Letter from the President

Dear Fellow 3/4 Marines:

The Battalion is back at 29 Palms following its fourth deployment to Iraq. They are in desert training and preparing to return in the near future. One of the best ways to show your support is to attend our reunion in Savanna. As a portion of the funds gained are used to send much desired care packages to the troops in combat. All of us can well remember how good it feels to get something from home.

This will be our last newsletter before the reunion in Savannah GA. Please find enclosed the sign-up registration sheet which should be filled out and mailed to Reunion Chairman, Wallace Shaw for all of you who plan to attend. Many of you have registered at the Marriott hotel and have not yet mailed in this form. Any guilty member is requested to do so **ASAP**. The information on that form greatly assists the reunion committee with planning, and good planning eliminates financial waste. We need to order buses, meals etc in advance and this form is our guideline. Without it we are forced to estimate the numbers and suffer a potential loss of association funds. The form is also available on the website. It should be sent to Wallace Shaw at email washaw@alltel.net or by snail mail to the address enclosed.

The dates are Wednesday August 22 to Sunday August 26. Many exciting events are planned and there is plenty of time available to renew old acquaintances over a cold one in the hospitality suite. Savannah is a beautiful and historic city and you are guaranteed a terrific time. If you have not registered do so **ASAP**. This reunion will not be complete without your attendance. See you there!

Those of you who want to attend but are suffering financial difficulties are reminded that this year we are again offering an assistance program. Chaplain Stan Beach will arrange a room for anyone who qualifies. The Chaplain has had some mileage donated so it may be possible to assist with transportation also. Regretfully this program is for members only and we will not be able to accommodate family members. This program is totally anonymous and your name is divulged to no-one but the Chaplain. For details, contact Chaplain Beach by email at STANBEACH@aol.com

Semper Fi,

Jim Conklin
President



REUNION SCHEDULE

22 August 2007 Wednesday (Day 1)

9:00 AM until Registration and get acquainted.

23 August 2007 Thursday (Day 2)

7:45 AM Bus Loading At Hotel Entrance

Trip To Fort Stewart

Warriors Walk, Museum, Lunch, Tank Simulator

Return to hotel 4:00 PM

Load Bus at 5:45 for evening cruise.

24 August 2007 Friday (Day 3)

6:45 AM Bus Loading At Hotel Entrance

Trip to Paris Island Graduation 9:00 AM

Memorial Service Base Chapel 10:15 AM

Lunch at Base Dining Facility 11:30 AM

Tour Base, Return to Hotel, Evening on your own

25 August 2007 Saturday (Day 4)

Association Meeting 8:00 AM to 11:00 AM

Golf at Hunter Army Airfield 12:00

Association Banquet – Hotel Ballroom

5:30 Social hour pay as you go bar.

6:30 Dinner

Photographs for reunion book will be taken before and after dinner. Individual and Group.

26 August 2007 Sunday (Day 5)

Depart

PLEASE FILL OUT AND RETURN TO:

WALLACE A SHAW
 RT 3 BOX 31-2
 LUDOWICI, GA 31316
 Email washaw@alltel.net
 Home phone # 912-545-9789 (night)
 Cell phone # 912-977-4551 (anytime)

**PLACE: Savannah Marriott Riverfront, Savanna Georgia August 22nd—26th, 2007.
 Tel. 800-228-9290 code Third Battalion.**

The following information is necessary for ordering buses, reservations, etc. Please fill out and return **ONLY** to the address above. Enclose a \$25.00 check (refundable if you have to cancel), which will be applied to your attendance fee, which will be collected at the registration desk in the hospitality room. Make checks payable to the **“Third Battallion Fourth Marines Association”**.

NAME: _____ **NO. OF PERSONS ATTENDING** _____

Wednesday, August 22nd, 2007 (Day 1)

REGISTRATION & GET ACQUAINTED (HOSPITALITY ROOM) Opens at Noon.

Thursday, August 23rd, 2007 (Day 2)

No. Attending: Adults _____ Children & Ages _____

Tour of Fort Stewart – Marine Division Third Infantry Division of Ft. Stewart that combined forces with the 3/4 in Operation Iraqi Freedom in the taking of Baghdad. We will be visiting Ft. Stewart Museum, Warriors Walk (KIA Memorial), and a Veteran’s Walk. Observe live fire exercises, simulation especially tank simulator and stinger missiles and any static displays that may be available. Lunch in one of the dining facilities. Cost per person \$20.00 includes lunch and transportation.

Thursday Evening:

No. Attending: Adults _____ Children & Ages _____

Diamond Casino and Dinner Cruise – Boat goes out to Intercostal Waterway for Dinner, gambling, and entertainment. Buffet Dinner will be: Tossed Green Salad with choice of dressing. Choice of: Roasted Pork Loin or Marinated Beef Tips, Roasted Potatoes, Buttered Egg Noodles, Green Beans, Bread and Drink.

Cost per person \$30.00

Friday, August 24th, 2007 (Day 3) Parris Island Tour

No. Attending: Adults _____ Children & Ages _____

Attend 0900 Graduation. Memorial Service at Base Chapel. Lunch at base dining facility. Tour PI and return to Savannah for wreath laying at Vietnam Memorial.

Cost per person \$20.00 includes lunch and transportation.

Friday Evening:

On your own. Large selection of restaurants, bars, and shops on River Street and adjacent streets within walking distance of the hotel.

Saturday, August 25th, 2007 (Day 4)

0900 Business Meeting in hotel. After conclusion of meeting, free time until Association Banquet at 6:00 pm – 7:00 pm Social (cash bar) and picture taking. 7:00 pm Dinner with menu choice of Beef or Chicken.

Cost per person \$35.00

No. of adults attending _____ No. of children attending _____

Sunday, August 26th, 2007 DEPART

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Special Reunion Reminder

Savanna, Georgia

Wednesday, August 22 thru Sunday, August 26, 2007

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