

The World is three days: As for yesterday, it has vanished, along with all that was in it. As for tomorrow, you may never see it. As for today, it is yours, so work in it.

- Hassan al- Basri

Blue Diamond News



FIRST MARINE DIVISION ASSOCIATION

FROM THE HEADQUARTERS



SPRING BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING 2018

**PLACE: HOTEL ELEGANTE' CONFERENCE CENTER
(719) 576-5900**

**2886 S. CIRCLE DR.
COLORADO SPRINGS, CO**

**DATES: APRIL 17 2018 TRAVEL DAY
APRIL 18 2018 MEETINGS AND FOOD TASTING
APRIL 19 2018 TRAVEL DAY**

**HOTEL BOOKINGS START ON JANUARY 15, 2018 RESERVATION
CODE 2022196 CUTOFF DATE MARCH 27 2018**

COST: \$123.00 PLUS TAX

**FREE AIRPORT SHUTTLE FROM HOTEL TO COLORADO
SPRINGS INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT**

2018 COLORADO SPRINGS REUNION

August 5 -12 2018

Hotel Elegante' (719) 576-5900

**The Hotel Elegante' is now accepting reservations for our
August reunion.**

**To get the Reunion rate of \$123.00 plus taxes please use our
code: 1613342. You must book directly with the hotel to get the
rate.**

Book early so you don't miss out!

Next week we are going to be posting pictures of the 77th Anniversary that took place at Camp Pendleton January 29-February 2, 2018.

From the President

Old Breed News Magazine

We are still working on getting the OBN in digital format, with the ability to print a few copies for those who do not use the internet.

TO ALL MEMBERS

Thank you for your continuous support in your donations to the Association.

MILITARY SERVICE RECORDS, AWARDS, AND UNIT HISTORIES

(See the attached pdf file, or go to the URL at bottom here)

A New Congressional Research Service Publication on U.S. Military Service Records, Awards, and Unit Histories

The Congressional Research Service has just published a short reference document that might be of interest to many:

Military Service Records, Awards, and Unit Histories: A Guide to Locating Sources
by Mese F. DeBruyne and Barbara Salazar Torreon.

The guide provides information on locating military unit histories and individual service records of discharged, retired, and deceased military personnel. It also provides information on locating and replacing military awards and medals. Included is contact information for military history centers, websites for additional sources of research, and a bibliography of other publications, including related CRS reports.

https://fas.org/sqp/crs/secrec_y/RS21282.pdf

To all Life Member's,

We need your help with a one time gift of \$50 to \$100 donation to the General Fund for the financial needs of the Association. You can write off your donation on your taxes. It would be very much appreciated.

Thank you so much for all you do for the 1st Marine Division Association.

President Jerry Johs

Lesser-known Battles and Units of the Korean War

Korean War historical seminar hosted by Outpost International, Society of the 3d Infantry Division;
the Army Historical Foundation, and the ROK Defense Attaché's Office in Washington, DC



Hilton Springfield, 6550 Loisdale Road, Springfield, Virginia
and the Memorial Amphitheater, Arlington National Cemetery

18-21 April 2018

Event Schedule

18 April – registration 1500 -1900

19-20 April – Seminars 0830 -1730

21 April – Ceremony Arlington National Cemetery
and Tomb of the Unknowns - 1000 - 1400

Banquet 1800-2100

Presentation Topics Include:

The Air War over Korea

Special Operations in the Korean War

The Story Behind the Names of US Army Installations in Korea

The POW Experience in Korea

Civil Affairs in the Korean War

Tribute to LTG Rowny, former Xth Corps Engineer and G4

Participating Veterans include:

General Volney F. Warner – L/3/21st Infantry, 24th ID

SFC Ron Rosser – Medal of Honor recipient with the 38th INF, 2ID

CHAP (BG) Parker Thompson – last living Korean War Army Chaplain

Registration fee - \$30 (free for KW veterans) Banquet \$40

Hotel Info: Room rate \$119 per night incl. breakfast

Event name: Korean War Historical Seminar

Reservations PH # 703 971 8900/Cut-off: **28 March 2018**

Points of Contact: C. Monika Stoy and Timothy R. Stoy

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**USMC Fox 2/7 and H 2/1 (7/65-2/66), July 15 to July 20, 2018,
Hotel Elegante in Colorado Springs, Colorado.**

**Contact Ron Gryn at (352) 638- 2872 or email at
boatmanron@.com for reunion packet.**



1st Battalion 3rd Marines 1/3 Reunion,
ALL ERAs in Colorado Springs, Colorado, September 11-16, 2018

Contact: Don Bumgarner, dbumc13usmc@verizon.net, (562) 897-2437

MONEY MATTERS

From the Treasurer A.J. Burn:

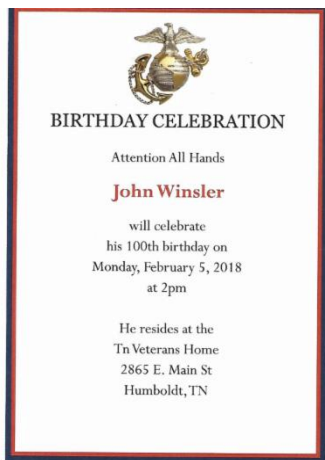
Statement as of 31 Jan 2018

Beginning Balance as of 1 Jan 2018	\$47,527.40
Income	\$21,635.78
Expenses	\$12,934.21

Ending Balance 31 Jan 2018 \$56,228.97

Blue Diamond update ...

The 2017 Federal 990 and California 199 tax returns for the Scholarship Fund are on the FMDASF.org website under Financial Reports in case anyone is interested ... the SF is totally transparent.



My sincerest apologies:

There was an incident at one of the mess halls during the anniversary, where a members wife was insulted. I would like to send out my deepest apology to this member and his wife for the situation that took place.

NEW MEMBERS



Welcome to our New Members

NAME	RECRUITED BY:
SgtMaj Joel Stanley Williams	

GENERAL FUND DONATIONS

All FMDA Members please use your USAA card- the First Marine Division Association, Inc gets a small but helpful rebate.



By making your contribution by credit card, your donation can help more quickly the FMDA fundraising and administrative costs. (Note Credit Cards can be personal or Corporate.)

Type of Credit Card

Visa Master Card American Express Discover

Credit Card Number: _____ Expiration Date _____

Name as it Appears on Card: _____ Amount: \$ _____

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City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Telephone Number: _____ E-mail Address: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Funds received in response to this solicitation will not be subject to federal contribution limits.

To have an immediate impact you may also contribute to FMDA while online at:

www.1stmarinedivisionassociation.org

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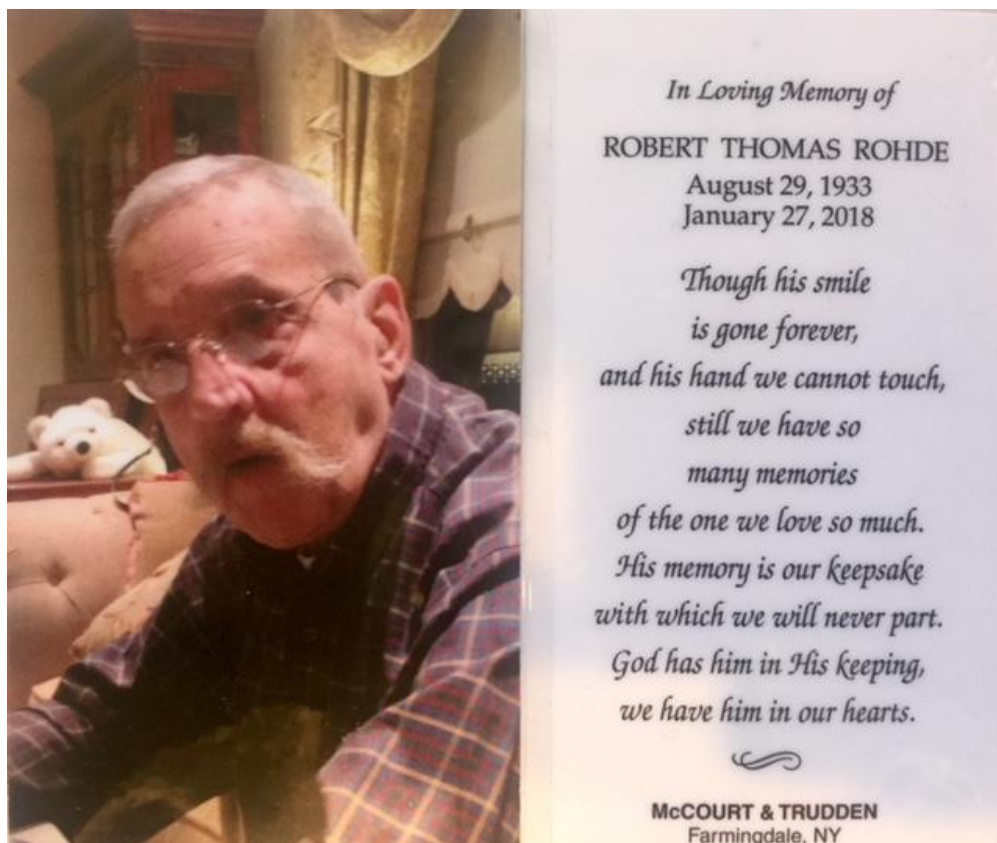
DECEASED

NAME:	DOD:
Robert Rohde	01/27/18
Paul Walsh	11/16/17
Robert L. Ryf	
Floyd M. Johnson	04/14/16
Maj. Jacques B. Loraine Jr.	01/17/18
John J. Niewinski	06/25/17
Manuel Mancillas	
John L. Wasson	08/25/17
*James Sekowsky	01/07/18
Edward J. May	01/23/18

Robert J. Betz	01/11/18
Charles E. Adcock	06/16/17

"Gone But Never Forgotten"

***James Sekowsky Last Will and Testament made the following General Monetary bequests: \$10,000 to the FMDA**



President Jerry Johs

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