



## 77<sup>th</sup> INFANTRY DIVISION Reserve Officers Association

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# THE LAMPETTE

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## 1. THE PRESIDENT'S CORNER:

On behalf of the directors of our Association, I welcome you to the Summer 2014 issue of *The Lampette*. The first half of 2014 was interesting and brought with it some continuing challenges as well as opportunities for the Association. The following are highlights of the various events and activities which took place and which are being covered in greater detail in the body of this issue.

On 14 March I was joined by directors CSM Sammy Sablan, MSG Jeffrey Mott and Mr. Malcolm Schade to attend the dedication of a building at Fort Dix, NJ in honor of PFC Martin O. May, who was posthumously awarded the Medal of Honor on 25 January 1946 for his heroic actions on Ie Shima in the Ryukyu Islands during World War II. PFC May was at that time serving as a machine gunner in the 307<sup>th</sup> Infantry Regiment, 77<sup>th</sup> Infantry Division. The building that was dedicated is the Headquarters, 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 307<sup>th</sup> Regiment.

The Mid-Winter members meeting was held at the Swan Club on 19 March. Highlights of the meeting were a visual review of our website including the recent changes that have enhanced its usage and value to the membership. COL Larry Bellman, the outgoing Chairman of our Information Technology Committee, led the discussion. He was assisted by COL Ivan Cornielle and MSG Jeffrey Mott. (COL Bellman retired as Chairman on 4 June after many years of excellent service in that position, and was succeeded by COL Cornielle; COL Bellman remains a member of that Committee, and will assist it with its very important work for our Association.) COL Seymour Kaplan, assisted by CWO Bernie Kaplan, conducted one of the most successful Memorial Fund raffles. For photos, see: [http://www.77thinfdivroa.org/Albums/2014\\_Mid-Winter\\_Business\\_and\\_Social\\_Meeting/index.html](http://www.77thinfdivroa.org/Albums/2014_Mid-Winter_Business_and_Social_Meeting/index.html).

Unfortunately, 2014 has brought with it some sadness and health concerns. On 30 April, MAJ Edward F. Nemeth passed away. MAJ Nemeth was a veteran of WWII, a member of the Association since its beginning, a past president and long-time secretary. More than that, he was a good friend to all who knew him.

Our present secretary, COL Allen Nadler, has had a tough year so far, hospitalized with a broken hip as a result of a fall along with hospital stays associated with other ailments. Through it all, Allen has remained positive and is committed to being able to re-join our board meetings in the fall.

CPT Douglas Wilke is now on the road to recovery and assuming full activity after an absence for quadruple heart by-pass surgery. We welcomed Doug back during the June board meeting. Doug is Chairman of the Kaine Hall Committee and hopes to get that project moving ahead later this year.

Our Annual Spring Luncheon members meeting was held at the Swan Club on 14 May and a major theme of that meeting is to honor the ladies who are present. As has been our tradition over many years, the ladies were presented with votive candles, courtesy of our good friend and former president BG Harry J. Mott, III. Although attendance was on the light side, COL Seymour Kaplan and CWO Bernie Kaplan conducted another very successful raffle for our memorial fund. Photos of this event can be viewed at: <http://www.77thinfdivroa.org/Albums/SpringLuncheon2014/springluncheon2014.html> .

I attended the Graduation Awards Ceremony at West Point on 26 May and was honored to present our Association's award of a pewter tray to Cadet Matthew G. Fiorelli for Excellence in National Security and Public Affairs. The award was established in 1970. Due to a prior commitment for Cadet Fiorelli to leave the auditorium immediately after the presentation, I was unable speak with him about his next assignment. As of this writing, the Department of Social Science at West Point is in the process of sending us a copy of Cadet (now 2LT) Fiorelli's résumé. We will provide additional information about this fine new officer via our web site and the next issue of *The Lampette*.

We are pleased to report that two of our directors were honored by being selected as Grand Marshals of Memorial Day parades. LTC John Peterkin was a Grand Marshal in the Little Neck-Douglaston Memorial Day parade, which is reported to be the biggest one in the country. At the same time, CWO Edward Grant was a Grand Marshal in the East Meadow, Long Island parade.

The 307<sup>th</sup> Infantry Veterans Society and our Association held their annual memorial service in the 307<sup>th</sup> Infantry Regiment Memorial Grove, Central Park on 7 June. MG William Terpeluk, a former Commander, 77<sup>th</sup> RRC, and a director of our Association, was a speaker as was CSM Sammy Sablan, the Command Sergeant Major of the 77<sup>th</sup> Sustainment Brigade and a director of our Association. COL Edwin Logan, president of the Society and a director of our Association, coordinated this impressive event, which is detailed later on in this issue. I should also mention how much the condition of the Grove has improved. During the past year, the NYC Department of Parks and Recreation and the Central Park Conservancy have done a major landscaping job by removing all of the wood chips that covered the soil in recent years, and by restoring the lawn and providing improved drainage. We can all be proud of the appearance of the Grove and what it represents.

The 77<sup>th</sup> Sustainment Brigade held its Change of Command Ceremony on 21 June at Fort Dix, NJ. COL Joyce B. Junior is being succeeded by COL Kenneth E. King. We take this opportunity to thank COL Junior for her support of the Association and her friendship as a member of the Association. We wish her the best in her next assignment. We welcome COL King into the 77<sup>th</sup> family and wish him and the 77<sup>th</sup> Sustainment Brigade much success in the future. Our Association appreciates the support of the 77<sup>th</sup> Sustainment Brigade and its units. Without them and other units of the Active Reserve, it would be virtually impossible for us to hold the memorial services and other public events.

Please join with me also in thanking BG Robert J. Winzinger, Sr. for his excellent work in editing *The Lampette*, a continuous publication since 1957.

Best wishes to all for a great summer.

## **2. FUND RAISING:**

The 77<sup>th</sup> Infantry Division ROA is offering for sale 77<sup>th</sup> Infantry Division wine glasses etched with the 77<sup>th</sup> "Liberty" patch. The wine glasses are one for \$8, two for \$15, and four for \$25. 77<sup>th</sup> Infantry Division baseball-type hats are available in various colors for \$15 each. Also available are Memorial Bricks, at \$125 each, installed in the 77<sup>th</sup> Memorial Grove at Fort Totten. Each brick can be inscribed with up to three lines, and each line can contain up to a total of 20 characters and spaces. Order forms are available at our web site at: <http://www.77thinfdivroa.org/forsale/index.html> .

### **3. MEMBERSHIP NEWS:**

**LTC John W. Peterkin**, a decorated war hero who served in WW II, the Korean War and Vietnam was honored as Veteran of the Year on 9 February 2014 hosted by the Queens Village Republican Club at their Lincoln Day Dinner at Antun's of Queens Village. He spoke about the heritage of our great warriors who have sacrificed life and limb so that freedom and democracy will live.

LTC Peterkin leads a modest life in the charming Village of Bellerose Manor, Queens. A descendant of Jamaican, Native American and African forebears, John lives with his Vietnamese wife, Ngoc Thi, and his two sons, 1<sup>st</sup> LT Sylburn Van Peterkin, USA, now on active duty, and CPT James Van Thach (Ret.) USA, who was seriously wounded while serving in Iraq, and who now supports the Wounded Veteran Initiative, helping his fellow veterans.

John served in WW II in June 1945 as a U.S. Navy Steward's Mate, First Class, in the Pacific area of operations and was released from active duty in August 1946. John then served two combat tours in the Korean War from May 1950, when he was commissioned from the City College of New York ROTC program. He was sent to the U.S. Army Infantry School at Fort Benning, Georgia, where he received Basic Infantry Officers Training (BIOC) and went on to serve in Korea as a First Lieutenant. He was released from active duty in 1954.

John was recalled to active duty in Vietnam where he served two combat tours between 1968 and 1973 as a U.S. Army Major. His first tour of active combat in Vietnam was from 1969 to 1970, where he was a District Senior Advisor, responsible for directing a team of 3,000 field personnel to provide civilian and military assistance to 80,000 Vietnamese. He was then called to Puerto Rico, to serve as an advisor to the Puerto Rican Army Reserves. His second combat tour in Vietnam was from 1972 to 1973, after which he was reassigned to the U.S. Army training center at Fort Dix, N.J., with the 9th Infantry Training Division. He was released from active duty in October 1973 and reassigned to Fort Meade, Maryland as an Operations and Training Officer for Reserve Affairs on the General Staff. For his service in Vietnam, John received two Bronze Stars and two Air Medal awards. He received numerous service awards for every war and every area of operation in which he served.

**CW4 Edward C. Grant** was honored by serving as the Grand Marshall of the East Meadow, New York Memorial Day Parade held on 26 May 2014. The parade was sponsored by, among other organizations, the East Meadow United Veterans Council, American Legion Post 1082, Jewish War Veterans of the United States Post 709/652, and Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 2736. It was well attended, and the marchers and other participants included many elected officials and veterans from the sponsoring organizations, as well as representatives of the East Meadow Fire Department, students from East Meadow and W. T. Clarke High Schools, and local Boy and Girl Scout troops.

CW4 Grant first enlisted in the New York Army National Guard in 1962, and served there in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Battalion, 104<sup>th</sup> Field Artillery until 1969, when he transferred to the U.S. Army Reserve. Thereafter, he served with the 77<sup>th</sup> at Fort Totten, in various HQ staff positions until his retirement in 1993.

He is the recipient of numerous U.S. awards and decorations, including the Meritorious Service Medal, Army Commendation Medal, USAR Achievement Medal, National Defense Service Medal, and Armed Forces Reserve Medal.

CW4 Grant has been married to his wife, Kathleen, for 45 years, and has two children and three grandchildren. He and his wife have resided in East Meadow for the past 34 years.

**COL Larry Bellman** has been very active in the theatre entertainment world, inaugurating his first Long Island directing position with the Joe DePietro popular play, "Over the River and Through the Woods", in November 2013 at Lantern Theatre in Freeport. Not to be outdone, Larry then proceeded to act in this play in one of the leading roles for Star Playhouse in Commack, in March 2014. He also spent a very large amount of time working with our Information Technology Committee and our

webmaster to streamline and update the Association's web site. Larry urges fellow members to visit the site frequently (at: [www.77thinfdivroa.org](http://www.77thinfdivroa.org)) as it contains a wealth of information about Association activities, membership news, and items of interest. Because he recently has retired as Chairman of that Committee on account of his theatre commitments and his teaching duties at Hofstra University, future comments and suggestions regarding our web site should be directed to the new Chairman, COL Cornielle.

**COL Ivan Cornielle** was the guest speaker on 15 February 2014 at the Saint John's University ROTC military ball. COL Cornielle is an alumnus of the Red Storm Battalion.

**CW4 Leonard E. Polikoff** and Ms. Sophie Herman traveled from Florida to Boston to attend his grandson's wedding on 23 May 2014. After that, they repaired to the Catskill Mountains where they will be sojourning until after Labor Day. CW4 Polikoff, who will be turning 87 shortly after returning to Florida, reported that this will probably be his last summer in New York. We hope you have a great vacation, Chief!

**BG Bob Winzinger** and his wife, Marie, spent their first retired winter travelling around the west coast of Florida and, finally, North Carolina. They found outstanding military facilities at bargain rates at Naval Air Station-Jacksonville, Patrick Air Force Base and Naval Air Station-Key West and Truman Annex. Final stop was Compass Pointe in Leland, NC (just outside Wilmington), where they purchased land and plan on building a new home within the next two to three years.

#### **4. ASSOCIATION HISTORIAN:**

Each issue of *The Lampette* features a 77<sup>th</sup> Medal of Honor recipient and their citation. The third in the series is Medal of Honor recipient, Martin O. May. Rank and organization: Private First Class, U.S. Army, 307th Infantry Regiment, 77th Infantry Division. Place and date: Iegusuku-Yama, Ie Shima, Ryukyu Islands, 19-21 April 1945. Entered service at: Phillipsburg, New Jersey. Birth: Phillipsburg, New Jersey.

Citation: "He gallantly maintained a 3-day stand in the face of terrible odds when American troops fought for possession of the rugged slopes of Iegusuku-Yama on Ie Shima, Ryukyu Islands. After placing his heavy machinegun in an advantageous yet vulnerable position on a ridge to support riflemen, he became the target of fierce mortar and small arms fire from counterattacking Japanese. He repulsed the assault by sweeping the enemy with accurate bursts while explosions and ricocheting bullets threw blinding dust and dirt about him. He broke up a second counterattack by hurling grenades into the midst of the enemy forces, and then refused to withdraw, volunteering to maintain his post and cover the movement of American riflemen as they reorganized to meet any further hostile action. The major effort of the enemy did not develop until the morning of 21 April. It found Pfc May still supporting the rifle company in the face of devastating rifle, machinegun and mortar fire. While many of the friendly troops about him became casualties, he continued to fire his machinegun until he was severely wounded and his gun rendered useless by the burst of a mortar shell. Refusing to withdraw from the violent action, he blasted fanatical Japanese troops with hand grenades until wounded again, this time mortally. By his intrepidity and the extreme tenacity with which he held firm until his death against overwhelming forces, Pfc May killed at least 16 Japanese, was largely responsible for maintaining the American lines, and inspired his comrades to efforts which later resulted in complete victory and seizure of the mountain stronghold."

Anyone having 77th artifacts who wishes to donate them to the Association should contact BG Bob Winzinger. Any items would be welcome, including pictures, plaques, military insignia, patches, paintings, magazines, newspapers, articles, other publications, flags, guidons, military gear and anything else associated with the 77th Infantry Division, ARCOM, RSC and RRC. His contact information is BG

Robert J. Winzinger; 3 Wildwood Road; Congers, NY 10920-2119; [generalwin@aol.com](mailto:generalwin@aol.com) and 845-596-3494 (cell).

## **5. REQUEST FOR TRAVEL TIPS:**

The following request for information for our web site is being distributed at the request of COL Larry Bellman, Member of our Information Technology Committee:

"For those who view our website, please note that we have a special section called "Travel Tips", located under the "About Us" tab ("About Us - About Us – Links & Info - Travel Tips"). It lists interesting travel tips, and solicits vacationer reviews (good, bad or otherwise) as well as travel deals. There is a write-up there about the Hale Koa Hotel in Honolulu, as well as some other places of interest.

From our large membership group, you folks probably have traveled throughout the world and could share with us some of the interesting spots, deals, and tips you have personally experienced. Many of our members are or soon will be of the age to have the available time to travel and would welcome your suggestions.

Therefore, we are once again requesting information that you can share with your brother soldiers by allowing us to post it on our web site." The following is a link to that page of our web site: <http://www.77thindivroa.org/travel/traveldeals.html> .

## **6. POTPOURRI:**

The following link to a brief, very moving video about ongoing interments of survivors of the U.S.S. Arizona was provided to us recently by our Director Emeritus, BG Harry J. Mott, III: [http://www.youtube.com/embed/MgE2KiPd3xg?feature=player\\_detailpage](http://www.youtube.com/embed/MgE2KiPd3xg?feature=player_detailpage) .

The following article was provided to us recently by MG Evo Riguzzi:

### **“MY SOCIAL SECURITY**

#### ***A special message from the Social Security Administration***

Social Security no longer mails annual statements of Social Security earnings and projected benefits. This information is now available solely online.

Have you registered for My Social Security at [www.socialsecurity.gov/myaccount](http://www.socialsecurity.gov/myaccount)? It's the easiest way to see your annual earnings statement if you're not receiving benefits and the fastest way to get proof of your Social Security income if you are!

Whether one is already receiving benefits or just starting to think about retirement, it's a great time to open a *my Social Security* account. It's a secure online account that allows you immediate access to your personal Social Security information. During your working years, you can use *my Social Security* to view your *Social Security Statement* to check your earnings record and see estimates of the future retirement, disability and survivor benefits you and your family may receive.

One may use *my Social Security* to immediately get a proof of benefits (award) letter, change of address or phone number on record, start or change direct deposit information and check benefit and payment information.”

The following equally informative article was also provided to us recently by MG Riguzzi:

### **“GOVERNOR CUOMO ENCOURAGES VETERANS TO APPLY FOR NEW LIFETIME LIBERTY PASS**

***Pass Provides Discounted Access to New York State Parks, Campgrounds, Boat Launches, Historic Sites and More***

Governor Andrew M. Cuomo encouraged New York State Veterans with disabilities to apply for the new Lifetime Liberty Pass, which permits qualified disabled Veterans discounted use of state parks, historic sites, and recreational facilities operated by the Office Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation (State Parks) and the Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC).

‘New York’s disabled veterans put their lives on the line for our state and nation, and providing them with lifetime access to our parks is one small way we can continue to extend our gratitude for their service,’ Governor Cuomo said. ‘As we approach this Memorial Day weekend and prepare for the summer park season, I encourage all qualified veterans to take advantage of this new opportunity.’

Governor Cuomo announced the new Lifetime Liberty Pass at his Veteran’s Summit earlier this year. The Lifetime Liberty Pass benefits includes free vehicle entry to State Parks and DEC-operated day-use areas, as well as numerous State boat launch sites, historic sites, arboretums and park preserves; free golf at 28 State Park golf courses; free swimming pool entrance at 36 State Park pools, and discounted camping and cabin rentals at all 119 State Park and DEC campgrounds. Numerous historic sites and parks in the State Park system commemorate the service of Veterans.

To qualify for the pass, the Veteran must provide State Parks with written certification from the United States Veterans Administration or the New York State Division of Veterans Affairs that the applicant is a Veteran with a 40% or greater service connected disability. Visit the State Parks website for more information and an application: <http://nysparks.com/admission/lifetime-liberty-pass.aspx>.

New York State Veterans with disabilities who currently hold a valid Access Pass may continue to use their pass for its duration. Prior to expiration, the pass-holder will only need to send in a new picture and a copy of their valid NYS driver’s license or non-driver ID. If the pass holder wishes to have the Lifetime Liberty Pass sooner, they will need to send in their current pass before the new pass can be issued.”

## **7. FLORIDA DETACHMENT:**

The BG Russell Wright Chapter (formerly known as the Florida Detachment) of the 77th Inf. Div. ROA held its annual luncheon reunion on 9 March 2014 at "The Tides", a club at Patrick Air Force Base in Melbourne, FL. The Chapter is a small but active group that meets formally once a year. It welcomes 77th Infantry Division ROA members who relocate to Florida and those who may be in Florida when it holds its reunion meeting. The Chapter was named in honor of the late BG Russell C. Wright, who founded the group, and it is currently led by CW4 Leonard E. Polikoff.

Attending the reunion on 9 March were: MG and Mrs. William F. Ward, COL and Mrs. Ronald A. Blau, COL and Mrs. Roy W. Conklin, COL and Mrs. Arthur DeRuve, COL and Mrs. Robert F. Schlegel, MAJ and Mrs. George F. Mutlos, and CW4 Polikoff and Ms. Sophie Herman. MG Ward, former Commanding General, 77th ARCOM and former Chief, Army Reserve, made a short presentation. Photos of this event can be viewed at our web site at: <http://www.77thinfdivroa.org/aboutus/floridadetachment.html> .

## **8. UPCOMING MEMORIAL SERVICE AT FORT TOTTEN:**

On 2 November 2014, the 77th Infantry Division ROA will hold its 38th Annual Memorial Service, to honor former 77th members who, in the past year, have answered the last roll call. Families of the deceased will receive invitations to the service, which will be held in the Fort Totten Chapel at 13:30 hours.

Upon completion of the service, all are invited to attend the wreath-laying ceremony in the 77th Memorial Grove, honoring those reserve soldiers who lost their lives in the Twin Towers on 9/11/01. Refreshments will follow and all are invited to join us in the Ernie Pyle Reserve Center drill hall. As of

our publication date, those being remembered will include: MAJ Amos M. Gailliard, Jr.; MSG Theresa M. Gibbons; LTC Alfred C. Girardi, LTC John A. Larkin, Jr.; MAJ Edward Frank Nemeth; LTC Mitchell Storm Pickman; LTC Rudolph Joseph Rudinsky; MAJ Charles C. Sheahan; 1LT William Lamont Singer; COL David K. Trenary; and COL Herbert Wagner. Also being remembered are the following 307<sup>th</sup> Infantry Veterans Society members: PFC Saul Rosenberg and (rank currently unknown) E. Ray Stuempfle.

Please join us as we honor these great soldiers. Should you know of any other 77<sup>th</sup> or 307<sup>th</sup> members who have passed on since our last service, please notify COL Sy Kaplan at (718) 454-9362.

## **9. DEDICATION OF BUILDING TO WORLD WAR II MEDAL OF HONOR RECIPIENT:**

On 14 March 2014, the 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 307<sup>th</sup> Infantry Regiment, USA, held a ceremony dedicating its Headquarters Building at Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst, NJ to PFC Martin O. May, who was posthumously awarded the Medal of Honor on 25 January 1946 for his heroic actions on Ie Shima in the Ryukyu Islands during World War II. A separate article about PFC May appears elsewhere in this issue.

The current 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 307<sup>th</sup> Regiment is commanded by LTC Terrance L. Johnson, and serves as a Training Support Battalion providing guidance in such subjects as Counter Insurgency, Cultural Awareness, Counter Improvised Explosive Device, Police Mentorship Training, Law and Order, and Collective Task Operations Lane for the US Army Reserve and the US Army National Guard, as well as for units of the Air Force, Navy and Coast Guard, in preparation for deployment overseas. It is part of the 174<sup>th</sup> Infantry Brigade, First Army Division East, and it has inherited the lineage and honors of the original 307<sup>th</sup> Infantry Regiment. Officers, warrant officers, and non-commissioned officers of the grade of E-5 or above, of the current 307<sup>th</sup> Regiment are eligible to join our Association, and applications from them are warmly encouraged.

The Dedication Ceremony opened with remarks by LTC Johnson and the showing of a short film about the Battle of Ie Shima, followed by the unveiling of a wall plaque in honor of PFC May outside the front door of the building. This unveiling was accompanied by remarks by CPT Anthony D. Giammetta, 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 307<sup>th</sup> Regiment. This was followed by a reception indoors, featuring a large cake with an elaborately decorated coat-of-arms of the regiment. There is also a display case in the first floor lobby of the building, containing PFC May's uniform and Medal of Honor.

Attending this Dedication Ceremony on behalf of the 77<sup>th</sup> Infantry Division Reserve Officers Association, at the invitation of LTC Johnson, were: COL Louis H. Sudholz, Jr., President, and fellow directors CSM Sammy C. Sablan, MSG Jeffrey J. Mott, and Mr. Malcolm R. Schade. Photos appear at: <http://www.77thinfdivroa.org/Albums/307thInfRegDedicationCeremonyMarch2014/index.html> .

## **10. 307th INFANTRY VETERANS SOCIETY:**

On a warm, sunny day on Saturday, 7 June 2014, the 77<sup>th</sup> Infantry Division Reserve Officers Association, in conjunction with the 307<sup>th</sup> Infantry Veterans Society, held their annual memorial service in the 307<sup>th</sup> Infantry Regiment Memorial Grove, in Central Park. The Grove has been beautifully restored with grass planted by the Central Park Conservancy.

The ceremony honored all service members who have lost their lives defending our country, with particular emphasis on soldiers of the 307<sup>th</sup> Infantry Regiment, 77<sup>th</sup> Infantry Division, who died during World War I and World War II.

The names of the 307<sup>th</sup> soldiers who made the supreme sacrifice during World War I are inscribed on bronze plaques on the boulder monument and individual company pedestals located in the Grove. All of these company plaques originally were next to memorial trees planted beginning in 1920, but most of those trees have since perished, although others still grace the Grove. Three of the company

plaques which had been stolen by vandals a number of years ago (honoring Companies C, H and M) were replaced by the 307<sup>th</sup> IVS in 2012.

An additional theme of the ceremony this year was the remembrance of the 307<sup>th</sup> and other 77<sup>th</sup> soldiers who died during the liberation of Guam from Japanese occupation in World War II, 70 years ago this year.

The ceremony on 7 June was introduced and led by COL Louis H. Sudholz, Jr. The scheduled chaplain, LTC (CHAP) Ephraim Garcia, USAR, was unable to attend, so the Invocation, Prayer and Benediction were offered by COL Lawrence M. Bellman.

Remarks focusing on the liberation of Guam were delivered by CSM Sammy C. Sablan, who was born on that island. Also attending the ceremony as an honored guest, who assisted with the presentation of a memorial wreath in front of the boulder monument, was MSG M. Edward Miller (Ret), who is a veteran of the 307<sup>th</sup> campaign in Guam in 1944.

The keynote speaker was MG William Terpeluk. His remarks recalled the history of the 77<sup>th</sup> Infantry Division and the recapture of Guam.

Remarks about the history of the 307<sup>th</sup> were delivered by COL Edwin G. Logan, who is President of the 307<sup>th</sup> Infantry Veterans Society as well as a director of the 77<sup>th</sup> IDROA. He also introduced the placing of the memorial wreath by MSG Miller and CSM Brian R. Ladlee, 389<sup>th</sup> Combat Service Support Battalion, 77<sup>th</sup> Sustainment Brigade.

Supporting the ceremony throughout were members of the 389<sup>th</sup> CSSB Color Guard, led by MSG Ramos, and members of the 319<sup>th</sup> U.S. Army Band, led by SFC Patricia Flowers.

Photos of this ceremony, and a copy of the Program, can be viewed on our web site at: <http://www.77thinfdivroa.org/news/centralparkceremony.html> .

#### **11. NEW E-MAIL ADDRESS FOR THE ASSOCIATION:**

There is a new email address for the 77th Infantry Division Reserve Officers Association. It is [77thinfdivroa@gmail.com](mailto:77thinfdivroa@gmail.com) . Please use this for any inquiries, requests, suggestions for information posting, and general email correspondence to the Association.

However, the internet address (URL) of our Association's web site is unchanged. The URL of the home page of our web site is still [www.77thinfdivroa.org](http://www.77thinfdivroa.org) . In addition, several of the articles in this issue of *The Lampette* contain the URL's of our specific web pages where relevant photos or other information can be found. Readers of our electronic edition distributed by email may be able to use the hyperlinks embedded in those URL's by clicking on the URL to go directly to those web pages, if the internet browsers in their computers support that function. Try it, you'll like it!

#### **12. DATES TO REMEMBER:**

Fall Annual Meeting	Wednesday, 1 October 2014
Fort Totten Memorial Service	Sunday, 2 November 2014

#### **13. TELEPHONE CONTACT:**

Should you wish to contact us by telephone, you may call COL Richard Cochrane at 631- 244-0160. He will pass along your message.

**HAVE A WONDERFUL AND SAFE SUMMER!**

LOUIS H. SUDHOLZ, JR.  
Colonel, USA (Ret), President