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Post Reports

Lantern Post 729, Waynesboro, PA

Commander: Randall Beamer

Please mail dues to: **Lantern Post 729**
P.O. Box 831, Waynesboro, PA 17268-0831

Lantern Post 729 held its annual Christmas Banquet on Dec. 11 at The Parlor House Restaurant in Waynesboro, PA. Twenty-nine members and guests attended. We enjoyed a home style dinner featuring Parlor House's famous chicken and ham.

We were entertained with a variety of songs by Freedom Valley Chorus, an all women's a cappella chorus from Chambersburg PA.. The evening included door prizes for all in attendance and a 50/50 drawing which was won by member Leon Harbaugh.

Next Post 729 meeting is: **January 16, 2020.**

Randall Beamer, Commander

Silver Spring Post 94, Silver Spring, MD

Commander: Jay Garrison

Please mail dues to: **William Mund**
441 Chalfonte Drive, Baltimore, MD 21228-4017

We hope all members of Post 94 and the 29th Division Association had a great Christmas and New Year's.

Post 94 request for 2020 dues will be coming to you this month in the U.S. Mail. Please submit your dues when you get this dues submission notice. Thanks,

Will Mund

Finance Officer/Adjutant

No meetings scheduled.

Eder-George Post 85, North East, MD

Commander: Howard Bond

Please mail dues to: **Valerie Simmers**
5 Shore Drive, North East, MD 21901-3327

Greetings to all from the members of Eder-George Post 85. Please don't forget to pay your 2020 dues if you haven't already paid. Our Post 85 Honor Guard continues to perform Military Honors.

At our December meeting we decided to continue to keep the current Post Officers for now. Larry Campbell also brought in his Fa-

ther's WWII uniform. He found it just hanging in a closet! What a treasure!!

Our next regular meetings will be January 8, February 5, and March 4, 2020 at the North East VFW. There will be coffee and donuts at 9:45 with the meeting starting at 10:00am. We are still working on a Harford County Meeting time. If anyone from the 29th CAB has a suggestion for meeting times at the Edgewood American Legion, please let me know.

If you have any questions, feel free to contact me.

Valerie Simmers, Adjutant

Harry M. Richardson Post 64, Roanoke, VA

Commander: Morris Bennett

Please mail dues to: **Jeff Banik**
184 Tanglewood Drive, Blue Ridge, VA 24064-1417

Our next stated meeting will be the second Wednesday, **8 January 2020** (usually it is the first Wednesday, but that is New Year's Day). After that it is **5 February 2020**, and **4 March 2020**.

Morris Bennett, Commander

Limestone Post 1-72, Baltimore, MD

Commander: Lee Hofmann

Please mail dues to: **Bill DeHaven**
139 Chestnut Hill Lane, Reisterstown, MD 21136-3206

Checks must be made payable to:
Limestone Post 72, 29th Division Association

Comrades,

Greetings from your Post 1-72. Our regular meeting for the month of December was cancelled in lieu of our annual Christmas Party. Thirty plus people were in attendance, and a good time was had by all. Regrettably several of our Comrades and good friends were not present due to various health related issues, and they were indeed sorely missed!

Our gal Carolyn Crosby has been ill the past few weeks, but is doing better at this writing. Bob Bryant's baritone singing voice was missed due to his having fallen while taking his dirty underwear to his basement laundry for the monthly washing! Just kidding about the laundry, but Bob did take a tumble down the steps! Fortunately, he

suffered no broken bones but, did wind up with bumps, bruises, and the resulting aches and pain.

PNC Robert E Lee Wisch (Medal of St. Maurice recipient) was emcee for the Christmas Party, and never one for a loss of words, did an outstanding job resplendently attired in his early 1900's German beer drinking suit. Bill DeHaven kicked things off with the benediction, which was Bill's first official act after having been appointed National Chaplain of the National Association.

Our entertainment for the party was provided by "Something Different". This group of talented musicians have provided their talents for several of our parties, and have done so as a favor to all veterans. They have done this each time, without monetary payment, and I am eternally grateful for their friendship and support for our Post. Our annual drawing was held during an intermission and the top prize winner was none other than PNC Wisch. It took his dear wife Linda several minutes to calm herself down after "visions of shopping carts danced through her head"!

I thank our good friend NPO Franklin Shilow for his always "johnny on the spot" help early Sunday morning to make it possible for an early start on the room set-up. Also, to each and every one of our members and friends, who supported this fun affair through the purchase of raffle tickets, I say "thank you", and I wish each one of you could have been in our company!

Our next official Post meeting will be held on 20 January 2020, at the Fifth Regiment Armory in Baltimore, in the Veteran Corps Headquarters room at 1100 hrs. sharp.

In closing, I wish all of you the healthiest and happiest of Holidays, and the same going into the New Year !!

Next meeting, **20 January 2020**

*Respectfully,
Lee Hofmann, Commander*

Rudolph M. Price, Jr., Post 5, Norfolk, VA

Commander: John Lane

Please mail dues to: **John Lane**
340 Aragona Blvd., Virginia Beach, VA 23462-2702

No report.

Randy Hess, Adjutant

HQs Post 29, Richmond, VA

Provisional Commander: Tim Williams

Please mail dues to: **Todd Hubbard**
12421 Liverpool Ln Apt 102, Chester, VA 23836-2773

Wishing everyone a Happy New Year and a Great 2020! Post 29 participated in the Wreaths Across America event at the Richmond Veterans Cemetery on December 14th. Post members present were Carroll Childers, Jim Ring, Hugh Adams, Tim Donnellan, Colin Noyes, Matt Bailey, and Todd Hubbard.

Over 4,400 Wreaths were laid at the Cemetery in honor of those who served our Nation. Each December on National Wreaths Across America Day, the organization coordinates wreath-laying ceremonies at Arlington National Cemetery, as well as at more than 1,600 additional locations in all 50 U.S. states, at sea and abroad.

We will plan on attending next year's event with dates to be published. We encourage anyone from any other post who lives in the Richmond area to join us or support your local Wreaths Across America organization.

Our next Post 29 event will be on **January 11th** at Legend's Brewery.

Todd Hubbard, Provisional Finance Officer

Jerome L. Day Post 48, Westminster, MD

Commander: Frank Rauschenberg

Please mail dues to: **Jerome L. Day, Post 48**
P.O. Box 1564, Westminster, MD 21158

Greetings Comrades,

Wreaths Across America

The Jerome L. Day Post 48 had partnered with National Wreaths Across America Day for our deceased veterans in cemeteries in Carroll County on Saturday, December 14th exactly 12 noon.

Several active members of Post 48 graciously volunteered for this solemn occasion and laid over 60 wreaths and giving a salute to each fallen veteran in the midst of heavy rains at the Saint Luke's Cemetery, New Windsor, MD

We were pleased to have the VFW from Westminster as the Color Guard, Boy Scout Troop 582 and well-known Kate Irwin playing taps, all who contribute to this National Wreaths Across America Day.

In addition, Lieutenant Colonel Daniel Collins, Commander of the 175th and a member of the 29th Division Association was a guest speaker. Lt Col. Collins spoke of veterans who gave their all and to remember and honor those fallen veterans who served their country in time of need.

I was proud of all who contribute to this solemn occasion. Post 48 continues to embrace the theme, "29th Let's Go".

Reunion and Old Timers Luncheon

The 110th Reunion and the Old Timers Luncheon was held on November 23rd. at Post 110, Pikesville. Several members of Post 48 joined in the comradeship. More information of the luncheon to be mentioned by Post Commander David Ginsburg.

I will keep you informed of upcoming events at the monthly meetings and by means of the *Chin Strap*.

If seeing or meeting a veteran, please take the time and effort to acknowledge his or her service to our country.

Please let me know of any veteran dealing with an illness or a deceased family member. Currently, we are in contact with several of our comrades who are dealing with an illness and offering our support to them.

Meetings

As a reminder, no meeting in December. **The next scheduled meeting will be January 30th at the American Legion, Westminster, MD.** Dinner at 6 pm, meeting at 7 pm and out by 8 pm. All comrades and their guests are invited to attend the meeting and enjoy some good food and veteran's comradeship.

A happy and healthy 2020 New Year to all.

As always, I can be contacted by calling me at 240-367-6110 or E-mail, fm32@erols.com.

Frank Rauschenberg, Commander

Cresap's Rifles Post 78, Frederick, MD

Commander: James Hutts

Please mail dues to: **Cresap's Rifles, Post 78**
P.O. Box 1882, Frederick, MD 21703-0882

As a good beginning, I want to announce that we can now look forward to filling two key positions that will help keep Post 78 as a viable and hard working post for the future. At our January meeting, Commander Hutts will temporarily appoint Mrs. Kelly Jo Toms to the position of Post Adjutant and Ms. Patti Humphreys to fill the position of Post Finance Officer. Greg LaCoste the current F.O. and I met with these ladies a week before Christmas to discuss, explain and answer questions regarding these arrangements.

They will take over the responsibilities in January with some guidance and assistance from the former officers. Wilcox will assume the position

as Post Welfare Officer that he has been doing in an acting capacity for about 6 months. LaCoste will remain active as a member of the Post Executive Committee. We hope to make these and perhaps one or two other changes at our annual election in March and installation at the Spring Fling Dinner in April. Kelly and Patti are daughters of Past National Commander Buck Lockard who passed away in May of 2019.

Post 78 lost 6 members in 2019 to the grim reaper, as well as four others for non-payment of dues. In addition, we have recently had four members resign their memberships. While we are still collecting dues payments for 2019, we were left with about 32 who had not yet paid for that year. Our total count considering these losses, now stands at 194, including 88 Life Members.

While Post 78 had no meeting in December, we did provide the eight nursing homes in the Frederick area with gifts to their resident veterans numbering nearly 150. This is the eighth year for this very worthy project. Our future meeting dates are scheduled for **January 8th, February 12th and March 11th.**

*PNC John E. Wilcox, Welfare Officer
wilcoxj154@gmail.com - 301-695-9558*

Stonewall Post 116, Staunton, VA

Commander: Barent Parslow
Please mail dues to: **Post 116**
566 Lee Highway, Verona, VA 24482

Post 116 met for lunch on November 12th and discussed the following:

The 52nd Annual Muster and Reunion of the 116th Infantry Regiment held in Staunton, VA on Saturday, 9 November was a great success with 310 guests attending. Over 80 people had registered for the morning 5K Race. 11 new 29th Division Association members were enrolled over the weekend. Sadly, no WWII Veterans attended this year.

The Annual 29th Division Association Conference held in October was a topic of interest and many members are excited about next year's event and are planning to attend.

Post Members were reminded to renew their dues if they have not already done so.

9 January 2020. The "C Company" 116th veterans meet for lunch about 1130 in Harrisonburg, VA the second Thursday of EVEN numbered months at the Skyline Buffet.

14 January 2020 **NEXT POST 116 MEETING** Mrs. Rowe's Family Restaurant, Exit #222 on I81, Staunton, VA starting at 1145 hrs. The post meets every other month on ODD numbered months (January, March, May, etc.)

20 January 2020. The Winchester 116th veteran's group meets every month on the third Monday at the Golden Coral in Winchester. Be there by 0900 to get an all-you-can-eat breakfast.

ANY Post 116 Member, former Stonewaller or 29er is invited, welcome, and encouraged to attend!

Jimmy Kilbourne, Finance Officer

New England Post 93, Northeast & Worldwide

Commander: Fran Sherr-Davino
Please mail dues to: **Neil Ungerleider**
34 Maple Avenue, Boxford, MA 01921-1424

Wishing you a healthy happy New Year! I'm hoping your holidays were a wonderful and stress free time with family and friends.

We welcome two new members to Post 93.; Barbara Lynn Powell, daughter of SGT Harold Powell, who grew up in Roanoke and passed away earlier this year at age 100. Barbara has travelled in her father's footsteps. Barbara is living in Connecticut.

Next, we welcome Robert Elder, who has served in the 2nd Bn, 224th Aviation with the Virginia National Guard. We thank you for your service, Sir. Robert is moving from Charlottesville to the UK. Please keep us advised of your address and perhaps you can meet our other UK post members.

I'd like to announce May 16 as our Spring meeting date. I want to meet in Rhode Island and hope to get many of our Connecticut members to attend. And because we are so spread out, we can make it more of an event with a visit to a new WWII museum in Rhode Island as well. More information to follow as details unfold.

I'd like to let you know that member Bob Endean, who lives near Bodmin UK has purchased and is refurbishing a 1940's Jeep Willy. He says it will be ready for June 2020 events which take place every year in Cornwall. Good luck Bob!

And our movie Director, Charlotte Jeurgens, has been invited to show her film: Sunken Roads in Chicago's Gene Siskel Film Center. The dates are Sunday January 12 at 4:45 with Question and Answer time afterward, and then again on Wednesday January 15 at 7:45pm. If you are in the area, please go see the film and show Charlotte support.

(Ron Jacobs - I'm talking to you)

That's all for now.

If you have news for me to include in the Chinstrap, please email it to me.

Stay healthy everybody!

Fran Sherr-Davino, Commander

Larkspur Post 110, Pikesville, MD

Commander: PNC David Ginsburg
Please mail dues to: **Ed Rodier**
13344 Cove Landing Rd., Bishopville, MD 21813-1102

The Larkspur Post sends warm holiday greetings to all of our comrades.

Post 110 had a very successful Field Artillery Reunion on the 28th of November at the Pikesville NCO Club. Run jointly with Post 48, over 40 attendees enjoyed beer, good food, camaraderie and a lot of old sto-



L to R: Kurt Rauschenberg, COL Lake, Larry Zeigler, Bill Rosier, Ed Debus, and Bill Guildener in the background.

ries. The guest speaker was Colonel Jared Lake (Post 110) a former officer in the 110th FA, former Commander of the 111th FA, and currently the senior field artillery office in the 29th Division as the Chief Fire Support Coordinator. Jared also graduated from the US Army War College recently along with another Post 110 member, Gregg Van Orden.

Speaking of Gregg, he is currently traveling to Afghanistan as part of a

deployment as a civilian. Gregg was a long-time officer in the 110th FA, and then in NGB and is currently a civilian with the Department of Defense. Everyone keep Gregg in your thoughts and prayers.

The Annual Christmas Luncheon was held on the 11th of December, also at the NCO Club. It too was enjoyed by all and we got very lucky with a scare of snow but almost everyone made it.

There is no meeting in January or February and our next regular meeting will be in March.

Finally, please send in dues if you still owe for 2019 or 2020.

Future meetings/events:

Regular Post meeting - 11 March 2019

Frank Armiger, Post 110 Executive Director

Florida West Post 2, Sarasota, FL
Commander & Finance Officer: Sean Malloy
Please mail dues to: **Sean Malloy**
P.O. Box 511364, Punta Gorda, FL 33951-1364

Hope everyone of you had a great Christmas and New Year's. A lighter than expected turnout to our last meeting of Florida West Post 2, although we enjoyed the visit of our special guest who hails from the Midwest; Ms. Billie Miller Cadwallader.

Ms. Miller is the daughter of Past National Commander William C. Miller who served the 29th Division Association with distinction for the 1970-1971 term. Ms. Miller acted as his executive secretary and assistant during that time. She enjoyed her duties, but confesses that it was a "lot to handle at times". Commander Miller was anxious to do a good job for the Association, as Ms. Miller related to our group, but was always looking for ways to do things better.

Ms. Miller spoke about her father's time overseas and rubbing elbows with Commanding General Charles Hunter Gerhardt. Her father recalls General Gerhardt being a stern force in the field, able to keep the troops steady in times of stress. PNC Miller was intimidated with



L to R: Dennis and Libby Eiss, Ms. Billie Miller Cadwallader, Joseph Steimel, K/175th, 29th Division, WWII, Mr. Dick Mosier, Korea, Mr. Charles Harrell, 1st Bn., 111th Field Artillery, 29th Division.

the likes of General Gerhardt's orders, but always obeyed. Ms. Miller recalls her father saying that General Gerhardt "demanded" that he wear his helmet at all times. PNC Miller did not exactly say "Nuts" to that request, but some form of it was quietly uttered from his lips as General Gerhardt passed by. PNC Miller drove his jeep through a cow pasture later that day, sans his helmet and narrowly missed oak tree branches that cracked his windshield and missed his head. He wore his helmet securely ever since that moment.

Our meeting was attended by Dennis and Libby Eiss, (Dennis is the nephew of Angelo Lombino, past Florida West Post 2 member), Dick Mosier, served in Korea, Charles Harrell, 1st Bn., 111th Artillery, 29th

Division, Joseph Steimel, 175th/K Co., 29th Division, and Ms. Billie Miller Cadwallader, special guest and daughter of PNC William C. Miller.

Preparations for this year's Special Luncheon will start soon, so please pass the word around. We need a big turnout this year! Our meetings are always on the third Saturday of the month at the Sarasota Red Lobster. Please continue to support the Association in any way you can; through donations to our Post, the Association in general and written submissions to the *Chin Strap* and *The Twenty-Niner*. We are still seeking new recruits and anyone who will keep the legacy alive of the proud 29th Infantry Division.

Our meeting schedule is the third Saturday of every month.

Sean P. Malloy, Commander
Eric G. Smith, Vice Commander

116th Foundation announces the 2020 History Experience Tours to France

The dates for the 2020 History Experience Tours to France have been announced by the 116th Foundation. There will be three trips to France and each tour includes round-trip airfare, hotels with double occupancy, ground transportation, guides and most meals, plus an unguided day to visit in Paris.

***WWI Tour – "Over There: Dough-boys In France" 27 May 2020 thru 3 June 2020 – Observe Memorial Day Week at WWI Battlefields, Museums and American Military Cemeteries in France. \$3,200.**

***WWII Tour – "76th Anniversary D-Day to St. Lo" 2 June 2020 thru 8 June 2020 – Spend June 6th on Omaha Beach, PLUS see ALL the Allied landing areas and follow the 29th Division from Omaha Beach to St. Lo. \$3,000.**

***WWII Tour – "D-Day to St. Lo" 19 September thru 25 September 2020 – See ALL the Allied landing areas and follow the 29th Division from Omaha Beach to St. Lo. \$3,000.**

Contact the 116th Foundation at 540-248-0116.

29th Division Association, Inc.
102nd Annual Convention
September 24 – September 27, 2020
The Wyndham Hotel
Gettysburg, Pennsylvania

Mark your calendars. Details will follow in 2020.

Important Notice

Please note that the address of the 29th Division Association Inc. National Headquarters has changed.

The new address is:

29th Division Association Inc.
National Headquarters
5 Shore Drive
North East, MD 21901-3327



The 52nd Annual Muster and Reunion of the 116th Infantry Regiment held in Staunton, VA on Saturday, 9 November 2020.

Post 93 members helping to keep the 29th history alive!

Mike van den Dobbelsteen and his wife Debra live in St Clair sur Elle, Normandy and have become immersed in the history of the 29th Infantry Division which took place surrounding them.

They have purchased a piece of property adjacent to them and the L'Elle River in order to erect a new permanent 29th Division Monument to honor the men of the 115th Infantry Regiment who lost their lives fighting on this road.

At this location, the provinces of Calvados and Manche meet, as well as four villages liberated by the 29th: St Clair, Ste Marguerite D'elle, Saint Jean de Savigny and Moon sur Elle. The proposed monument, pictured, will be dedicated with all four Mayors on 12 June 2020.

They have received 600 Euros in donations from Bed and Breakfast guests and need another 750 euros to make this come alive. It will be their hard work to create a lovely setting here.

They would like to put two benches in front of the monument for folks to sit and reflect on



events of 1944. They will place brass plaques on the benches dedicated to the 29th Division Association if we can help them raise the money. They can put checks from the USA into their bank in St Lo who will convert them to Euros.

If you can make a donation, please mail directly to :

Mike van den Dobbelsteen
1 Le Pont de la Pierre
50680 Saint Clair sur l'Elle
France

They have asked me to plant an Oak tree during the dedication ceremony which represents the strength of the soldiers of the 115th IR and I hope I can make that happen. My father as Sgt Major of the 104th Medical Bn was in all four of these villages in June and July 1944.

Thank you in advance for your support.

Frances Sherr-Davino, Commander Post 93
 Any further questions, please contact me:
 fsd104@icloud.com

Fresh blessings

At one of my favorite eating places, the waitress always gives us a basket of fresh, nice warm rolls. January brings a new year, fresh blessings, and new experiences. Just as we like fresh rolls, God's blessings are always fresh, never stale. The Book of Lamentations says, "Great is your faithfulness, O God my Father, morning by morning, new mercies, fresh blessings I see. Great is your faithfulness, to me. As we enter 2020, may we give thanks for fresh blessings. Our times are in His hands.

John Schildt

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
October 10, 2019

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MILITARY COMMUNITY SEEKS CONGRESSIONAL MEDAL OF HONOR FOR NORMAN D. COTA, MG (USA Retired/deceased)

WASHINGTON – A team of retired military officers and historians announced today their plans to ask Congress to award General Norman Daniel “Dutch” Cota with the Congressional Medal of Honor. He received the Distinguished Service Cross in July 1944 for his battlefield heroism on Omaha Beach, D-Day, 6 JUN 44. Many in the military community, firmly believe that the gallantry and intrepidity exhibited by Cota in the largest and most complex Amphibious Assault in history rises to the level for the award of the Nation’s highest military honor, the Congressional Medal of Honor.

“We will call on President Trump and the U.S. Army to formally recognize General Cota’s physical actions, tactical decisions, battle command, and valor which literally reversed the first hour of limited progress and progressively assured success by the forces under his authority especially on 6 and 7 June 44,” said Maj. Gen. Carroll Childers. “Heroes like Cota are once-in-a-generation, and he deserves fair consideration for the nation’s highest military honor for his actions on Omaha Beach. We invite anyone with information about BG Cota’s actions on D-Day to reach out to Team Cota on our Facebook page – www.facebook.com/CotaMOH – and help us discover additional new, substantive, and relevant material evidence that was not known at the time of the award of the DSC in July 44. Such evidence may be in the form of letters home from soldiers, extracts from notable literary sources, or simply identifying a surviving soldier from the 116th Infantry of the 29 ID, attached units such as Armor or Engineers, the 5th Ranger Infantry Battalion, or in some instances the 2nd RIB.

Team Cota has the support of the 29th Division Association, the 29 ID historian Joe Balkoski, and many current and former Division Commanders of the 29th Infantry Division, and others who are beginning to join us, who are gathering information, documentation, letters, photos, or eyewitness accounts to support the materials already gathered from the U.S. Army related archives in the initial application to upgrade the DSC to the Medal of Honor, posthumously to Cota.

“Upon examination of the totality of Cota’s Omaha Beach actions during the D-Day operation,” said Lt. Gen. H. Steven Blum (Ret.), “one can strongly make a direct parallel with Col. Joshua Chamberlain’s actions at Gettysburg... Neither Gettysburg, nor Omaha Beach, would have had the successful outcomes now recorded in our military history, if it were not for their personal presence and actions that day.”

Widely regarded as a tough and inspiring frontline general, Cota is one of the most overlooked of Allied military leaders during World War 2. At 51, he was the oldest soldier and the highest-ranking officer on Omaha Beach on D-Day, according to the U.S. Army. His command of assigned troops through enemy fire earned him the honor of leading U.S. Army troops down the Champs Elysees in the parade celebrating the liberation of Paris.

Residents of Borscheid, Luxembourg, honored Cota by naming “Norman Cota Square” in his honor. His rallying cry to inspire troops, “If you are Rangers, then get up there and lead the way,” is one of several versions of Cota utterings said to be the basis for the U.S. Army Ranger’s motto “Rangers lead the way.” Born in Chelsea, Mass., in 1893, Cota spent his life in service of his country. He attended the U.S. Military Academy at West Point, N.Y., where he befriended many of the nation’s future military leaders, including Dwight Eisenhower who was two years ahead of him. During World War 1, he rose from 2nd Lieutenant to Major in 18 months. He passed away in 1971, and is buried at the USMA.

“After 75 years, we know there are fewer and fewer surviving eyewitnesses to General Cota’s battlefield heroism,” said Childers. “We need the public’s help in identifying and locating these unique and brave men, so we can contact them and document their knowledge of Cota’s gallantry and intrepidity.

29th Division Association Supplies Available

<u>ITEM</u>	<u>COST</u>	<u>POSTAGE &</u>	<u>MAILED</u>
DVD - 29 Let's Go - A Video History of the 29th Infantry Division	\$10.00	\$4.30	\$14.30
Book - Ever Forward - 116th Inf. history (soft cover)	\$17.90	\$6.05	\$23.95
Book - 29 Let's Go - 29th Division History	\$29.00	\$5.99	\$34.99
Book - Beyond The Beachhead - Joseph Balkoski	\$19.90	\$6.05	\$25.95
Book - 115th Infantry in WWII	\$25.00	\$5.99	\$30.99
Book - Omaha Beach and Beyond (The Long March of Sgt. Slaughter)	\$25.00	\$5.99	\$30.99
Book - From Beachhead to Brittany - Joseph Balkoski	\$28.00	\$5.99	\$33.99
Book - From Brittany to the Reich - Joseph Balkoski	\$27.00	\$5.99	\$32.99
Book - Our Tortured Souls - Joseph Balkoski	\$27.00	\$5.99	\$32.99
Book - The Last Roll Call - Joseph Balkoski	\$25.00	\$5.99	\$30.99
Book - Fields of War, Battle of Normandy - Robert Mueller	\$19.95	\$6.04	\$25.99
Book - Drawing D-Day (soft cover) -- Ugo & Maxine Giannini	\$43.00	\$6.25	\$49.25
Book - Not a Moment Too Soon - A.P. Hill - John W. Schildt	\$12.95	\$6.04	\$18.99
29th Div. Assoc. Note Pad (5 1/2 X 8 1/2)	\$1.00	\$1.90	\$2.90
29th Div. Assoc. Note Pad (4 1/4 X 5 1/2)	\$1.35	\$1.10	\$2.45
Crests - 115th, 116th or 175th Infantry Regiments	\$5.50	\$1.40	\$6.90
Pin - 29th Patch Stick Pin	\$5.50	\$1.40	\$6.90
Decal (specify inside or outside)	\$1.00	\$0.50	\$1.50
Labels - gummed w/ 29th Assoc. logo (sheet of 50)	\$2.00	\$0.95	\$2.95
Clear plastic key ring w/ 29th Assoc. logo	\$1.80	\$1.00	\$2.80
Small Lapel Pin	\$3.95	\$1.40	\$5.35
Woman's pendant	\$7.00	\$1.40	\$8.40
Medallion (for plaques)	\$6.00	\$1.40	\$7.40
29th Div. Assoc. pocket patch	\$6.00	\$1.40	\$7.40
Pocket patch holder	\$3.30	\$1.10	\$4.40
Shoulder patch - 29th ID	\$3.50	\$0.80	\$4.30
Jacket - coach, navy w/ logo in S, M, L, XL, 2XL	\$28.00	\$5.99	\$33.99
Golf shirt, embroidered 100% cotton pullover (royal blue, white, gray in L, XL, 2XL)	\$23.00	\$5.99	\$28.99
Official 29th Division Association Necktie	\$20.00	\$2.30	\$22.30
29th Division Association Dress Hat (state size)	\$38.00	\$7.95	\$45.95
Hat, baseball w/ 29th logo (embroidered)	\$15.00	\$2.90	\$17.90
Hat, baseball w/ 29th logo (embroidered - summer mesh)	\$12.00	\$2.90	\$14.90
12" X 19" 29th Division Cemetery flag on wooden staff	\$5.80	\$2.50	\$8.30
29th Division Association Sweat Shirt (state size)	\$25.00	\$3.95	\$28.95
Belt Buckle, 29th Infantry Division	\$15.00	\$2.90	\$17.90
29th Div. Assoc. Coin Purse	\$3.00	\$0.99	\$3.99

Checks should be made payable to the 29th Division Association & mailed with orders to: **National Property Officer, 29th Division Association, 403 Caledonia Avenue Baltimore, MD 21227- 4707, Phone — 410-242-1820.** You can now buy 29th merchandise using a credit card, debit card, or "PayPal" . Just go to our website at www.29thdivisionassociation.com and click on "Merchandise" and it will walk you through how to order merchandise using electronic payment. If you mail a check, merchandise will not be mailed unless you have included the Postage and Handling fee. Those fees are automatically included on the website.

New members: We welcome the following new members to the 29th Division Association, Inc.

Arkenbout, Wm. Post 116, Beaverdam, VA
 Armstrong, James, Post 94, La Plata, MD
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