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# NEW YORK in '57!

It's New York in '57 as undoubtedly you know

The site of our Annual Reunion, make your plans now to go

We'll be at the Hotel Roosevelt, just three blocks from Times Square

Handy for most everything, no bus or taxi fare

New York, you'll find is fabulous, so many things to see

Tall buildings, subways, museums and such and here and there even a tree

Department stores like Macy's, Gimbels, Sacks & Sterns

With counters full of bargains everywhere one turns

You take a big excursion boat near 42nd street

For a trip round Manhattan Island and on the way you meet

Rowboats, barges, tugs and yachts and ocean liners too

And enjoy the balmy breezes while you also enjoy the view

You'll pass by Lady Liberty standing in New York Bay

With the fabulous New York skyline, just across the way

The trip will take three hours and it's one you will ever recall

And for you camera enthusiasts, you'll really have a ball

For those of you who like to walk, you'll find it's worth your while

With many points of interest all within a mile

A walk along Fifth Avenue or a hansom through Central Park

Just a few short blocks to old Times Square, but see that after dark

The pushcart peddlers of the Ghetto not far from Chinatown

The human derelicts of the Bowery who've gone down and down and down

Wall street and the Stock Exchange and the Diamond Center too

A never ending cycle and it's all right here for you

Along with all the restaurants, the theatres and the plays

You've just about got everything, displayed in many ways

New York, you'll find is FABULOUS, and what I've said is true

But I've just skimmed the surface, I leave the rest to you.

You'll find us at the Roosevelt in August as you know

The 15th, 16th, and 17th, make your plans now to go

Come and meet your buddies, you'll find many of them there

And what I've said about New York, no place like it anywhere.



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## LADIES CORNER

By MARY NUZZI

The regular monthly meeting of the 83rd Auxiliary of the Warren Chapter was held at the home of Mrs. Kay Osborne. After the business meeting a social visit was enjoyed by all. After which the hostess served refreshments.

Well, girls, I guess our rummage sale came off right on schedule as we planned. Oh what a time we had, however, there is only one comment we can make about it, "WE WAS ROBBED." Chairman was Mrs. Charles Russ.

We also had our spaghetti dinner at the new Warren Chapter Club Rooms, which proved to be a big success. Everyone was in attendance and enjoyed a delightful dinner. Our thanks to Mrs. Richard Kelly, Mrs. Joseph Minotti, and Mrs. Joseph Sotak, who were on the committee.

Our monthly picnic was held on the 30th of June at Cedar Lake with everyone present and accounted for. We enjoyed a delicious lunch and had games for the kiddies. Thanks to our committee, Mrs. Andy Pankovich, Mrs. Charles Russ, and Mrs. George Kilpatrick for the wonderful time.

Since we got all the work out of the way we decided to treat ourselves to a night out. So we gals journeyed to Youngstown to see the movie "The Ten Commandments." Following the movie a progressive hour was spent at the Victoria Restaurant. Chairman for the gay evening was Mrs. George Cooley.

Our next meeting will be held at Packard Park on the 19th of August. Hostess will be Millie Kelly.

## THE PRESIDENT'S CORNER



By the time you read this you should have your room reservations, your travel tickets and your bags all packed ready to move on to the Roosevelt Hotel to enjoy three delightful days seeing old Comrade-in-arms and reminiscing over old times.

World War II is twelve years behind us now, but I dare say that many of the memories of some of the events of that war are as fresh and vivid in your minds today as they were the day they happened. Other little things — amusing, annoying, or frightening — have temporarily been forgotten by you, but will readily be recalled when you get to swapping stories with others "who were there." You will find yourselves reliving that period of your life from boot camp to the Normandy hedgerows, to the Ardennes and to the Elbe. The stories of others will remind you of incidents that you have completely forgotten because you've had no one with whom to discuss them. Neither wives, sweethearts, nor friends could ever quite understand because "they weren't there." As a result, you long ago quit trying to discuss such things. At the reunion you will have attentive, understanding ears, ready and eager to listen and be reminded.

In singing this swan song I wish to thank all those who have helped to increase our strength this year. This includes all those who have written encouragement, who have contacted others, who have "sponsored a buddy," who have returned the cards I sent them, and particularly the Chapters which are doing so much to keep our organization alive. It has been a busy year for your President, and while we have not achieved what I hoped we would I feel we have made encouraging progress. Certainly, no effort has been spared.

I know there are many who will not be able to attend the reunion. We will miss you. We would like to think that you will miss us too. If you do, drop us a post card or send us a wire. This will let your new committee know that you want to keep our Association growing and start them off with a big bang next year.

To the others who will be there — and there is going to be a big turnout — I'LL BE SEEING YOU.

P. S. I'm still anxious to get our membership over the 1000 mark before reunion time. Send in your dues!



## BUY A BUDDY A DRINK

By ROBERT H. YORK

There will be many who will not be able for one reason or another to attend the reunion this year. There will be others who will attend who can perhaps ill afford the expenses involved, but whose loyalty to the organization is so great that they wouldn't miss being there.

It has occurred to me that many who would like to attend but cannot would like to help defray the cost of this reunion so it would be cheaper for those who do attend. If this is so, wrap a note, saying "have one on me" around a dollar bill and mail it to the President, 83rd Division Association, Roosevelt Hotel, prior to 15 August. Be sure to include your name, address and organization, so that organization can drink a toast to you in remembrance. It is another way of saying "I wish I were with you."

## WARREN, OHIO

By MIKE SKOVRAN - 331

With another great 83rd Reunion just around the corner, the Warren, Ohio, Chapter's plan to attend "en masse" are about completed. An invitation to all attending this Reunion to come to the Warren C. P. at the "Roosevelt Hotel" and partake of our hospitality is hereby respectfully submitted.

Another great mile-stone has been passed very recently by the Warren Chapter with the acquisition of our own club and recreation rooms at West Market street, in Warren. To any former 83rd Thunderbolt living in or about or just passing through Warren, we would like to offer the use and availability of our new home.

With one successful family picnic already held this year by the Warren Chapter at Cedar Lake, Ohio, we are now looking forward to our annual combined family picnic with the Cleveland Chapter at Round-Up Lake, Ohio, on July 28th. We will be glad to give a complete report on the results of the unavoidable ball game to anyone so desiring, at the reunion.

In closing the Warren, Ohio Chapter would like to issue this final plea to all our buddies to get out to New York City and attend the Reunion. Let's make it a big one. If you are unable to attend in person at least mail in your association dues for the coming year or any past year that you may be delinquent. Only in this manner can we keep this great thing going and growing. See you in New York.

## CLEVELAND CHAPTER NEWS

By CASEY KOWALEC, C-322-FA

With our anniversary dance written off as a huge success, and a dandy it was, its time to think of our next social event



which will be our annual family picnic to be held on July 14. This is our annual Warren - Cleveland affair, and when these two get together, things really happen. The highlight of the picnic will be the big ball game, and after dethroning the champs from Warren at our last bowling match,

they will be there with revenge in their eyes (and 3.2 beer in their blood.)

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A REMINDER — Cleveland Chapter monthly meetings are now held at Hamm Ave. Hall across the street from Our Lady of Lourdes Church.

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## CLEVELAND CHIT - CHAT —

Many thanks to our members for their fine co-operation in making our dance the success that it was. With this brand of teamwork we can't miss being the best Chapter in the 83rd Division Association. \* \* Ray Voracek put out a true gourmet's delight \* \* Al Uridel, with his "volunteers" made sure the bar was humming all evening long \* \* Hank Katell brought in some real gone musicians who had the dancers on the floor continuously \* \* President Bob Grobelny had the assignment of pinning on the roses for the fair sex, which they enjoyed tremendously \* \* Our thanks to the wonderful Warren Chapter group in attending our dance, we only hope that they enjoyed it as much as we enjoyed having them \* \* Thanks also to our distinguished guest from the Dayton, Ohio Chapter, Wayne Sandkuhl, who came all the way from St. Marys, Ohio to be with us. It was nice seeing Wayne and we hope he can come more often (Wayne, tell the folks that the chicken really hit the spot) \* \* Remember to bring a new member to our meetings which are held the third Wednesday of every month.



# Program For The 11th ANNUAL REUNION - August 15-16-17, 1957

(Program Tentative — Subject to Slight Changes)

## MEN

### THURSDAY

Registration  
 Welcoming Meeting  
 Tour of United Nations Building  
 Beer Party (STAG)

### FRIDAY

Registration  
 Business Meeting  
 Boat Excursion



Cocktail Party

### SATURDAY

Registration  
 Business Meeting  
 Memorial Service  
 Banquet  
 Floor Show

## MENU

Supreme of Fresh Fruit  
 Topped with Melon Balls  
 —  
 Consume Petit Fermiere  
 Croutons



Roast Sirloin of Prime Beef

Sauce Chasseur  
 Boulanger Potatoes  
 Asparagus Polanaise

—  
 Bombe Glace Roosevelt  
 Blueberries Melba

—  
 Coffee

## WOMEN

### THURSDAY

Registration  
 TV Shows  
 Tour of United Nations Building  
 Party for Ladies Only

### FRIDAY

Registration  
 TV Show



Boat Excursion  
 Cocktail Party

### SATURDAY

Registration  
 Interior Decorator Show  
 Memorial Service  
 Banquet  
 Floor Show



## AN OPEN LETTER TO THE MEN AND WOMEN OF THE 83RD

By HARRY LOCKWOOD, 329

Dear Friends,

This is your convention issue of the Thunderbolt, this is the one, that along with the Program Journal will be your guide as to what to expect, what to do, where to go and generally what is going to transpire for the three days that many of you will be attending our 11th Annual Reunion.



First, let me tell you that New York is a fabulous place. The one place in the world that you may be able to see, do and buy just about anything you want.

Just about every race, color and creed is represented here in New York. Churches of all denominations for you to see and attend, Houses of God, from the most quaint to the most elaborate structural design of all eras.

For the ladies, and of course the men too, there are shopping establishments of all types. From the push cart peddler in the Ghetto to the more exclusive shops of Fifth and Madison Avenue. The many department stores that are at your service, if you have the money to spend, they have the merchandise to sell.

Then you have the many museums, the tremendously tall buildings, like Empire State, Chrysler, Radio City etc., from which you can get a view of the city of New York by day or by night a view that can be seen no other way except from the air, an awe-inspiring sight that leaves you breathless and often makes you wonder at the ingenuity of man. The United Nations Building of course, must be seen to be appreciated. They have guided tours through all these buildings for a nominal fee and although you will not be able to take in all the tours, probably because of lack of time more than a lack of money, unless you come in early, you at least will get more than a rough idea what New York is like.

There is the zoo in Central Park along with other things or if you have the time and the inclination, for one day's outing you can get on a subway and in less than an hour be in Bronx Park where you can walk yourself tired going through one of the biggest zoos in the country and one of the most beautiful botanical gardens in the

world. Many other things in the park will hold your interest too and at the end of the day you will be only too glad to call it quits, you've had it.

For you who may be interested in art, or things historical or in astronomy you will find that you can get more than enough to satisfy your desires. In some cases there is a small admission fee and in others just the price of a subway token (.15).

Speaking of the subway, for those of you who have never been to New York before and, or, who have never taken a ride in the subway, please try it, if only for a station or two; you've read about in books, newspapers and the like but actually you've got to do it to get the full thrill of it. You may never want to do it again, but at least try it you will talk about it for a long time to come.

In previous issues of the Thunderbolt many things have been said and everything said was done so to give you an idea of what to expect from New York. This is your convention folks, the good time you have will depend a great deal on you. There will be things for you to see and do sponsored by the association, such as a beer party, cocktail party, a banquet and dance along with some of the best talent in America to put on a show for you. There will be entertainment at each of the functions to break up the monotony of just drinking and talking, some surprise entertainment about which we can not elaborate at the present time. Also there will be plenty of free time to afford you an opportunity of seeing as much of New York as you want.

Your convention committee has worked real hard trying to put on a Reunion for you, it's up to you now to show them that it was all worthwhile. This association of ours has grown into a sizeable organization, true though, not as big as we would like it to be, but nevertheless, still growing and the success or failure of a venture of this kind depends on the cooperation of everyone concerned. If this were something that we could put on free of charge I don't doubt that it would be bigger than we could handle. Unfortunately, it is too big a thing and we must charge you for what we have to offer and when you consider what you are getting for what you are spending you begin to wonder how we can offer you so much for so little, and in these inflationary times too.



Please believe me when I say that if you were to try to do on your own what you are getting at the convention the cost you would find to be prohibitive. Beer Party and entertainment, Cocktail Party and entertainment, Banquet and Dance and entertainment, along with a trip around Manhattan Island and other features all for the cost of your registration fee. What you spend aside from that you're on your own but this is truly the bargain of a lifetime. Please take advantage of it. Come early and be ahead of the crowd, your tickets for many of the tours that you may want to take will be honored all week on a discount basis, and you may go alone or in groups at your own convenience.

I've said my piece friends, anything more you may want to know don't hesitate to ask me when you see me at the Reunion. I'll be there from Monday on.

Now, with the best of everything to you all and yours for a happy and successful Reunion, I remain sincerely yours,

Harry Lockwood.

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**August**  
**Dues Are**  
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Lt. General Clarence R. Huebner, Retired, former Commander of the 1st Infantry Division, the 1st Army and V Corps, and later, Commander of the U. S. Army, Europe and at present is Civil Defense Director of the State of New York, has graciously agreed to deliver the principle address at the 11th Annual "Thunderbolt" Reunion Banquet.

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## *Notice*

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**DUE TO A TIME ELEMENT AND THE TERRIFIC RESPONSE TO COL. YORK'S APPEAL FOR MEMBERS AND SPONSORS FOR MEMBERS WE CANNOT PRINT THE NAMES OF ALL THE MEN THAT SENT IN DUES FOR THEMSELVES AND FOR THEIR BUDDIES. THIS WILL ALL BE DONE IN THE THUNDERBOLT IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE REUNION.**



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**83RD INFANTRY DIVISION ASSOCIATION**

**AUGUST 15 - 16 - 17 - 1957**

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The committee welcomes all advertisements that any of our members may get from their local merchants.

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