



# TANK DESTROYER NEWSLETTER

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NEWSLETTER NO. 1

SGT. MAJ. RUDY COOPER!!!!!!!!!!!!

Retired Sgt. Maj. Rudy Cooper believes in the saying "Once a Tank Destroyer, Always a Tank Destroyer."

For more than 32 years Cooper proudly wore the TD patch on his uniform. During WW II it was on the combat veteran's left shoulder and for the rest of his army career it was worn on his right side.

A member of the 805th TD Bn., in Recon Co., Cooper was always out in front--beyond the front lines at Anzio, Cassino and everywhere else in between.

"I remember at one point in '44 while fighting in Italy, we celebrated 500 days on the front line without a break," Cooper recalled.

Wounded in action, Cooper was awarded both the Silver Star and the Purple Heart.

After WW II he left the service but rejoined shortly and was assigned to counter-intelligence.

With the start of the Korean War, Cooper was once again back in combat.

At 40 years of age in 1960 he applied for assignment to the Special Forces. He successfully completed jump school and special training.

The Viet Nam conflict came along, and Cooper was in his third war--four full tours of it! And, as with the TD's, Cooper was "always out in front" in Laos and Cambodia.

Peacetime returned and Cooper was a Special Forces Sgt. Maj. at Ft. Devens, MA. Some 12 days before his scheduled retirement (30 year) he found himself manifested to make a low-level parachute jump.

"When you're a Sgt. Maj. and manifested, you jump." Cooper emphasized. He had turned in all his field equipment and had to borrow from friends to make the jump. The Air Force C-130 cargo plane climbed to 18,000 feet to drop a High Altitude team then circled down to 900 feet for a static line jump.

Cooper, the ranking man, was the last one out the door. He recalls that his chute snapped open, but then became inverted. He had more than 200 jumps to his credit so he knew emergency procedure to follow, in proper order as he plummeted to earth. His reserve chute failed--his last hope of slowing down his body's motion.

"My rucksack hit the ground first and then me--feet first," Cooper recalled. Result, 13 months in the hospital with every bone in his body broken from the head down,



## TWO HEROES MEET

War heroes, Retired Sgt. Maj. Rudy Cooper, left, and Brig. Gen. James L. Dozier swap war-time experiences at the Tank Destroyer War Memorial Dedication Ceremonies last October at Fort Hood, Texas.

along with other internal injuries. The doctors did not expect him to survive the massive injuries, then revised their prognoses that he would never get out of bed. "When I made it to a wheel chair, they said that was as far as I should expect to get. Well, I had too many things left to do in this life to be tied down to a wheel chair," Cooper recalled.

Cooper retired from the Army Jan. 1, 1976 and when the Veteran's Administration said he was not "re-habilitable" and then everyone else said he was "unemployable", Cooper became a little irritated. He returned to college and gained a degree in business management. Today all of his spare time is devoted to fraternal and civic organizations.

There are two things in life very dear to Cooper. One is kids and any organization that helps kids. The other is organizations like the Tank Destroyer Association.

Driving from his home in Tucson, AZ, Cooper attended both Reunions at Fort Hood: 1982 on crutches--1983 walking! That's "Way out front Cooper!!"

MAJ. GEN. JAMES L. DOZIER

Attending the 1983 TD Memorial dedication ceremonies at Fort Hood, Texas, along with Lt. Gen. Walter Ulmer, CG III Corp was the new Deputy CG, Brig. Gen. James L. Dozier.

While serving as NATO Deputy Chief of Staff, Logistics and Administration for Allied Land Forces Southern Europe, Gen. Dozier was taken and held hostage for 6 weeks by Italian Red Brigade terrorists until rescued by Italian police on January 29, 1982.

Not unlike our own TD hero Rudy Cooper, Gen. Dozier is also a battle-hardened veteran of the Viet Nam war, having been awarded both the silver and bronze stars with oak leaf clusters for heroism in combat, the purple heart for shrapnel wounds in the arm, and the Legion of Merit.

During the Viet Nam conflict he served as operations officer (S-3) of the 11th Armored Cavalry Regiment, and in that capacity planned a successful 30 day, 1,000 mile tank offensive through the southern South Viet Nam jungles, searching out North Viet Nam and Viet Cong strongholds.

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Before going to Italy in 1980 Gen. Dozier served at Fort Hood, first as commanding officer of the Second Brigade, 2nd Armored Division and then as Chief of Staff, III Corps.

Just recently on 24 April he was promoted to the rank of 2 star Major General.

We are, indeed, honored to have had such a distinguished general officer in attendance at the dedication of our beautiful TD War Memorial.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Every delivery of mail brings a new name, an inquiry from an old TD Veteran, or from one of us who needs a bit of refeshing. "How long have you all been doing this TDA?.. What's the object of our TDA...What have we been doing?" And I think the inquiries are well directed! We've been adding new names to our mailing list as a result of each of our past nine mailings; indeed the list had a phenomenal growth as a result of our TD veterans who wrote following Marshall's article and picture being placed in AARP'S publication! We are up past 13,000 mailings and we are getting little or no returns from the Post Office. When did we start? 3 years ago.... Five of us signed the Articles of Incorporation at the Presidio of San Francisco's Officers Club on June 30, 1981.

Our first newsletter? Who can recall Marsh's one sheet N'Ltr seeking TD vets? That was in March of 1981, and look what happened!!!! What are our Objectives?

1. To tell the story of the U.S. Army's TANK DESTROYER FORCES AND THEIR ROLE IN WW II.
2. To locate TD VETERANS; to publish periodic NEWSLETTERS; to report on TD Bn activities; and sponsor and fix dates for NATIONAL TANK DESTROYER REUNIONS.
3. To establish, operate and maintain a TANK DESTROYER MUSEUM to preserve & display the written & physical history of this special combat force; to locate or collect & dispaly one each VEHICLE TYPE THAT WE USED AS TANK DESTROYERS AND THOSE COMBAT ITEMS WE USED AS TANK DESTROYER WEAPONS.
4. To establish a TANK DESTROYER MEMORIAL dedicated to those who lost their lives and to those who served as TDers at every level of service.
5. To offer information and assistance to our WW II Veterans & their dependents.

How do you think we are doing? ...This newsletter is our TENTH... We have installed and paid for a beautiful TANK DESTROYER MEMORIAL at Ft. Hood, Texas....We are hitting hard (and often) on every door available to create a TANK DESTROYER MUSEUM, which will be named the MARSHALL B. HANKS MEMORIAL MUSEUM In honor of our founder.

...We are compiling HISTORICAL DATA for publication of a CONCISE TANK DESTROYER HISTORY.....  
 ...And, spearheading a drive to rectify the shameful and disgraceful neglect of military history to recognize that there was, indeed, a Tank Destroyer Force, whose separate Battalions played such a major role in helping to achieve ultimate victory in WW II.  
 ...Plus what did you think of our two TDA REUNIONS at Ft. Hood, TX? It's a BIG JOB...We could not have done it without your encouragement, your great response to our fund raising pleas, the positive giving of your personal donations to our Historian and to the Museum, your Battalion Assns and the effort of your fellow TD vets who held you together for the years since 1945. And how can we ever express our feelings when we hear from those wives and children of our TDers who are no longer with us? They give us encouragement when they ask to be kept on the mailing and offer their support & assistance. How nice it is to be President of The TANK DESTROYER ASSOCIATION!...

Warren J. Mitchell

BATTALION HISTORIES !!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

TDA Historian Lonnie Gill still is missing the following battalion histories:

629	636	640	701	808
635	637	654	805	814
		894		

He has only partial histories of:

609	703 (3 pages)	803 (1945 only)
632	(1944 only)	813 (2 pages)
633 (to 4/44)		821 (44 only)

Lonnie also needs help from TD vets who served in the Tunisian Campaign. Such as data and personal experiences from members of the 601st, 701st, 776th, 805th, 813th, 894th and 899th TD Bns.

If you have historical info relating to the above unit histories or data and personal experiences about the Tunisian Campaign send it to:

Lonnie Gill, TDA Historian  
 1422 Greenhaven  
 Anaheim, CA 92801

ALL CONTRIBUTIONS TO TDA ARE TAX DEDUCTIBLE !!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

TDA is a bona fide non profit association. Our IRS ID Number is 94-2757549 and our State of California Number is 109455. When you make out your 1984 Income Tax use the appropriate numbers to avoid questioning.

TD DECALS!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Plans are now underway to stock a supply of decals with the TD logo. Consult the next TDA Newsletter for details on availability and price.



LONNIE GILL, TDA HISTORIAN

AN INTERVIEW WITH TD HISTORIAN  
 LONNIE GILL BY WARREN MITCHELL

I was a dinner guest of Jon and Lonnie Gill during a recent visit to Southern California. As part of the evening's social activities, we were wrapped up in a progress report of his forthcoming book which will tell the history of the TD Forces during WW II. Historian Lonnie is absolutely delighted with the enthusiastic response from all of us TD vets to have been sending historical info to him. He has a continuing need for Battalion Histories, personal narratives and pictures of the early days in Tunisia.

I was able to sit amid the enormous number of booklets and other references filling his shelves as well as the pull-out files, indexed references from our contributions. Other files held photos from TDA as well as from the War Department files...all of which will richly fill the pages of the book.

I'm sure you'll join us in giving Lonnie full speed ahead in endeavors.

Lonnie asks that your contributions for the Tank Destroyer Army continue to be sent direct to him: Lonnie Gill, TDA Historian, 1422 Greenhaven, Anaheim, 92801.

Please note on your contributions whether you wish them to be returned to you or become part of the forthcoming TD Museum collection.

TD MUSEUM PROJECT: STILL ON HOLD

One of our major objectives and the next major project on drawing board is our own Tank Destroyer Museum. It is now on hold.

"For the present, we ask each one of you hang on to all your memorabilia until such time as you are notified via the Newsletter when and where to send it.

MAIL CALL!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Editor's Note: This is your column. Your letters and comments are invited.

"I had 4 of the fellows over for dinner last Saturday. They hadn't seen each other for 38 years --- and 2 of them lived within 3 miles of each other all that time. What a time we had!"  
ROBERT KING (774 TD BN) Smyrna, GA.

"Any men from the 608th TD Bn call Henry Rehm, 622 Lafayette St., Lancaster, PA. 17603 if you are ever in Pennsylvania Dutch country. Unable to drive, but would like to hear from TD'ers.  
HENRY REHM (608TD Bn) Lancaster, PA.

"As Curator of the ALL Wars Museum, Illinois Veterans Home, 1707 N 12th St. Quincy, IL, I have a mannequin in uniform with TD patch. I also have some wonderful action pictures of TDs on display as well as a model of the M-10."  
FRANK OLDORFF (634TD Bn) Quincy, IL.

"Received my TD newsletter re: monument dedication at Ft. Hood. It made me feel proud to be a part of such a fine branch of service and sorry I couldn't attend in person. I hope in the not too distant future that I can visit Ft. Hood and see it."  
RAYMOND BELL (671TD Bn) Largo, FL.

"Every newsletter that I received was read with great interest by me, and in fact from now on I am looking forward to their arrival."  
DANIEL BREEN (802TD BN) RIDGEWOOD, NY.

"It has been great since communicating with TDA. I have received letters and written to my 777th TD Bn from Camp Hood, TX, exchanging pictures etc. Keep up the TDA Newsletter."  
THOMAS LEGISTA (777TD BN) LYNBROOK, NY.

"I am sending this order for TD sketches for a surprise Christmas present for my Dad (Eugene Mezwicki) 637 TD Bn)  
JUDY MEZWICKI, Grand Rapids, MI.

"My wife and I thoroughly enjoyed the TD Reunion. It was well organized and an outstanding program. Thanks for a great reunion."  
WILLIAM D. FOWELL, (610 TD BN) COLUMBIA, MO.

"Marsh: We who served in the TDs owe you so much. Without your efforts the troops of today would not know such units existed. Over the years many questions were asked in regard to our patch--a painting of it was on display at all times in my office."  
MSG ROBERT BURTON, Ret. (671 TD BN) Webster City, IA.

"Just received newsletter #8. Was overwhelmed at the picture on the cover. What a sight! How wonderful to have a group such as ours remembered in such a permanent way. I plan on being in Texas next year and this is #1 on my list of places to stop."  
PAUL WILLOVER, (815 TD Bn) Collins, NY

"My husband passed away, but I would love to continue to receive the newsletter. I was a war bride in WWII and have so many memories of it. I have been trying to locate my husband's buddy in his TD outfit. He was our son's godfather. Please help me."  
MRS. SYLVESTER POMPELIO, (771 TD Bn), Netong, NJ.  
Editor's Note: And we did!

Have spent lotsa time in Recon Half-Tracks and under closed hatches, starting with the little Combat-cars with Wright radial engines. But my greatest longing was for the M-18--especially that gun. During a tour with the transportation Corps in Inchon ("48-49), I found one being back-loaded for Japan and ran it to death around the Port for a whole day. From an old broken-finger, hatch-tanker: Best of luck with TDA.  
REINHOLD HERMAN, St. Gus, FL

Will send you the history of the 822 TD Bn in near future. ---Oh! the greatest experience in life was being a TDer and Tders wife.  
JOE and CARMEL TRICOMI, Niles, OH

"I used to see Marshall almost every day at the Belvedere/Tiburon P.O. picking up his TDA mail. A great guy that I will never forget."  
BILL BARKER (656) San Rafael, CA.

"My husband was with the 605 TD Bn. I really enjoy the newsletter and have a new pen-pal thru the TDA."  
MRS. MARVIN EVERS (605) Cincinnati, OH.

I'm enclosing a check in memory of my husband Clarence C. Johnson. I always enjoy reading the TDA newsletter as it brings back many memories to me. We always attended the 899 TD reunions--the friendships these fellows made last til death parts them. Someday I hope to see the memorial in remembrance of the TD men. May God bless you and all the men who served their country--especially all the TD'ers.  
GLADYS JOHNSON (899), Iowa City, IA

"Unhappily we were unable to attend the '83 Ft. Hood reunion. To help make up for it, I would like to give my husband a cap with TD logo. Thank you for the opportunity to give a little happiness."  
MRS. WALTER HALSEY (820), Banning, CA.

"Your newsletter gives us a big lift. It makes us all feel if we have not been forgotten. Bless."  
ED GIPSON (643), Wilton, ME.

"Thanks for the memories!"  
TOM LYDEN (771), Flushing, NY.

Editor's Note: Hope the last letters reflect the general feeling. If so, our mission is a success.  
A.W.O.L!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

You can help search for these lost TD'ers by looking in your local phone books. If you find a potential candidate, verify a telephone call and let us know the result. Thank you.

PAPRISKI, JOE, 809 Bn. Co. C, 1 in Louisiana and may have moved to Oklahoma.  
LATTIMAN, MORRIS J. 807TH TD Bn (former personnel W.O.) quiet bouncer at Roseland in N. C. Last known to be in the Chicago area.  
MARTIN, SGT. EUGENE, Co. B 774 Bn.  
KUBAL, RAY, 801st TD Bn. Originally from Colorado, moved after service to California.  
RENDINA, RICHARD, 606 TD BN.  
HACKART, AARON S. (T/S) 607th Bn. Last address: Providence, RI  
HENSON, WELDON C. (3818130) Ada or Willis, Oklahoma.  
SEITZ, BURTON, 817th TD Bn. 1st address South Selby Rd. Melina N.Y. Was in Chicago or could have gone to Belgium.  
FOGLE, MAJ. GEORGE C. (0311629) Former 611 TD Bn. CO

MEMBERS OF CO. B. 825TD Bn. LA  
Known Address:  
BARNETT, JAMES W., Gen. Del. Jonesboro, GA.  
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KOZUMA, FRANK T., 76 4A Amache

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MEMBERS OF TD OCS CLASS #3 -  
 Graduated 10-29-1942, Write Lt.Col  
 LOEHR M. RIGBY, USA Ret., Colorado  
 Springs, CO., 80919

IMPORTANT MESSAGE!!!!!!!!!!!!!!  
 FINANCIAL REPORT!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

The following is a very  
 brief Financial Report for the  
 3 month period of February thru  
 April, 1984:

Contributions  
 (158 contributors)\* \$1,887.00  
 Less Expenses  
 Newsletter No.9 \$2,412.00  
 Net Loss for Period \$ (525.00)

Two things are readily ap-  
 parent from the above Report:  
 (1) The number of contributors\*  
 is woefully small, i.e. only  
 about 1% of the more than  
 13,000 TDers on our National TD  
 Roster!  
 (2) It is not financially feas-  
 ible to continue publishing and  
 mailing the IDA Newsletter to  
 everyone on the National TD Rost-  
 er free of charge.

At this writing, the Board  
 of Directors, having studied the  
 matter very carefully, is faced  
 with a very hard decision...  
 i.e. should a minimal charge of  
 say \$10.00 per year be assessed  
 for 4 quarterly issues of the  
 Newsletter? In the alternative,  
 the \$10.00 would be treated as  
 a tax-deductible contribution.

Before making a decision,  
 the Directors need your input.  
 The simple question now  
 posed is: Are you willing to  
 pay, or contribute, the sum of  
 \$10.00 per year for 4 issues of  
 the Newsletter?

The results of your prompt  
 response will determine what ac-  
 tion the Board will have to take.

Please send your reponses  
 and comments promptly to:  
 IDA Board of Directors  
 255 Castenada Dr.  
 Millbrae, CA 94030



TANK DESTROYER MEMORIAL!!!!!!!!!!!!

Along Tank Destroyer Boulevard,  
 On the corner where Hood Rd meets  
 Sits a beautiful, fitting memorial,  
 To all Tank Destroyer feats.

This twenty-two thousand pound core,  
 Of sunset-red granite rough hewn,  
 Portrays the high courage & action,  
 Of each Tank Destroyer platoon.

This artistic war memorial,  
 Appears as a pillar of fame,  
 For all the world to remember,  
 The Tank Destroyer's proud name.

Dedicated to the dead & the living  
 The troops that trained at old  
 Camp Hood,  
 The soldiers who went into combat,  
 The women who by God's grace un-  
 derstood.

By Edwin W. Saeger  
 807 Tank Destroyer Bn.

INFO RE YOUR SERVICE RECORD!!!!  
 Write to:

Nat. Personnel Records Center  
 9700 Page Blvd  
 St. Louis, MO 63132  
 For Military Personnel Record be  
 sure to include Name, Serial  
 number and social security no.

RETIRED SERGEANTS MAJOR ASS.  
 recently organized at Fort Hood  
 1X, for all NCOs in the rank of  
 E-9 of all branches of the mil-  
 itary, both active and retired.  
 Write: RGMA, PO Box 5650  
 Fort Hood, Texas 76544

POLL FAVORS ACCEPTING WEHRMACHT  
 TD'ER !!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

In response to the article in  
 Newsletter No.9, letters regarding  
 acceptance of the WW II Wehrmacht  
 TD'er as an associate member of  
 IDA have been running better than  
 3 to 1 in favor of acceptance. To  
 date we have had only 22 respons-  
 es. We would like to hear from  
 more of you on this very controver-  
 sial subject. Keep the letters  
 coming!

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LATEST ON TD BATTALION REUNIONS !

602nd - May 19-20 - St.Louis, MO - L.H. Borneman, 11832 Parland Dr., St. Louis, MO 63127, (314) 843-2691.

603rd, "B" Co - Jun 29-30 - Dakota Inn, Minot, ND - Edgar Sandeen, PO Box 604, Mohall, ND 58761.

605th - Sept 1-3 - Riverside Park, Findley, OH - L.N. Montgomery, 120 E. First St., Plainwell, MI 49080, (616) 685-8729.

609th - Sept 20-22 - Holiday Inn Four Seasons, Greensboro, NC - George Funke, 3290 Oxford Rd., Trevoise, PA 19047, or Robert Berry, Jr., 3520 N Cherry St., Winston-Salem, NC 27105.

610th "A" Co. - Oct 5-6 - Hyannis, MA - Albert A. Sangster, 98 Moncrief Rd., Rockland MA 02370.

626th - May 18 - NCO Club, Hanscomb AFB, Bedford, MA - Bruno Bertelli, 20 Newton Ave., Tewksbury, MA 01876.

628th - Jul 13, 14, 15 - Sheraton Inn, RFD W Middlesex, PA 16159

632nd "A" Co. - May 3, 4, 5 - Nashville, TN.

633rd - Oct 7 - Havana, IL, Poor Richard's Restaurant - Vern Coker, 1400 S Johnson, Macomb, IL 61546.

634th - Jun 22-25 - Williamsburg, VA - C.J. "Danny" Pochobradsky, 2419 Victoria Dr. SW, Cedar Rapids, IA 52404.

636th - Aug 11, 12 - Aurora, NE

- Aug 30-Sep 2 (w/36th Div) - San Antonio, TX, Tropicana Hotel, W.L. Gallman, Box 84, Italy TX 76651.

643rd - Oct 6 - Newport, RI. Chief's Club. U.S. Naval Station - Royal J. Little, 107 Hope St., Providence, RI 02903.

644th - Jun 19-21 - Pocono, PA - Owen McDermott, 1120 Nellie St., Sturgis, SD 57785.

648th - Aug 9-12 - Hot Springs, AR, Ramada Tower, 218 Park Ave., 71901 - Sue and Otis Stone, PO Box 2292, Hot Springs, Ar 71914.

661st - May 2-6 - York, PA, Best Western's Westgate Inn - Bill Beswick, PO Box 576, West Point, NY 23181.

691st - Aug 3-5 - Atlanta, GA Allan Forsyth, 515 Putters Ct., Alpharetta, GA 30201,

692nd - Aug 10-12 - Charlotte NC Red Roof Inn - Col John H West, B Wood Duck Ct., Hilton Head Island, SC 29928.

702nd "B" Co. - Jun 8, 9, 10 - Smoketown, Lancaster Co. PA.

703rd - Sept 28, 29 - Newburg, NY - Everett Stites, 581 Forest Dr., River Vale, NJ 0875, (201) 664-9639.

704th - Oct 12-14 - West Point NY - Phil Hosey, 82 West Gates Av, Lindenhurst, NY 11757, (516) 226-8807.

705th - May 16-18 - Indianantic, FL, Holoday Inn, Melbourne Oceanfront - Jack & Louise Dibble, 467 Bridgetown Ct., Satellite Bch, FL 32937.

773rd - Sept 18, 19 - Indianapolis, In, Airport Rodeway Inn - Edward H. McClelland, 4384 W 182nd St., Cleveland, OH 44135.

774th - Oct 3-5 - Myrtle Bch, SC, Poindexter Motor Hotel - Bill Hart, 93 Key West Dr., Pitturgh, PA 15329.

776th - Jul 2-4 - Pocatello, ID, Littletree Inn, 133 W Burnside Rd. - Nyle A. Rasmussen, 1030 Howard Ave., Pocatello, ID 83201, (208) 237-4776.

801st - Oct 5-7 - Syracuse, NY - Arthur J. Langdon, 9 Lyon Place, Utica, NY 13502.

804th - Sept 22, 23 - Roswell, NM, Sally Port Inn - John Gaddy, Rt 3, Box 118, Roswell, NM 89201, (505) 622-6274.

805th - Aug 3-4 - Harrisburg, PA, Sheraton East - Willard Hunt, 3433A Tishoff Ct., Lexington, KY 40502.

807th - Jul 3-5 - Rapid City SD, Howard Johnson - Harold Steckelberg, 310 E. Lawler, Box 6, Chamberlain, SD 57325.

808th - Jul 12-14 - Nashville, TN, Airport Hilton Inn - Robt. & Dot Steelman, Kenneth & Estelle Witherspoon, 816 Brookhaven Circle, Shelbyville, TN 37160.

809th - Sept 1 - Warwick RI, Sheraton Inn - Walter Sroka, Sr., Rt 117, RR 5, Coventry, RI 02816.

811th - Aug 3-5 - Terre Haute, IN - Roy F. Berry, 1121 W Elm St., Kokomo, IN 46901.

813th - Labor Day - Lebanon, TN.

817th - Jun 1-3 - Erie, PA - Carley R. Halsay, RFD#4, Center-ville, PA 16404.

820th - Sept 28-29 - Traverse City, MI - Charles Kleim, 13567 Archdale, Detroit, MI 48227.

822nd - Sept 13-15 - Oklahoma City, OK - Joe Tricoli, 119 Mill Creek Rd., Niles, OH 44446.

823rd - Sept 13-16 - Colorado Springs, CO, Clarion Hotel - Oscar Hewitt, Rt 3, Box 55, Johnson City, TX 78636, (512) 868-4821.

824th - May 20 - Hicksville, NY, VFW Post 3211 - Michael F. Masone, 53 Lent Dr., Plainview, NY 11803, (516) 931-7843.

893rd - Sept 1-3 - Towson, MD - Harry Sinclair, 684 MD Rte 3N, Gambrills, MD 21054.

899th - Sept 6-8 - Mountain Home, AR - Ivan & Jeri Krapac, Rt 9, Box 503, Slick Rd., Mountain Home, AR 72653.

TD ITEMS AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE!!! This item will NO LONGER be available!! Sorry.

The supply of TDA souvenir caps has been completely sold out! The following items and services are available:

- (1) Pen and ink prints of the four (4) AFV's listed below on the Order Form. (21) TD Tie Bars. (3) TD Unit Rosters.
- (4) Searches for individuals on the National TDA Roster.

All orders for individuals on the above must be made on the Order Form below. Or, if you do not wish to cut up your News-letter, either type or copy the form in your own hand writing.

WWII TANK DESTROYERS

WWII Tank Destroyer Prints - 11x14 on Quality Book Paper Prints will be Rolled and Shipped in Heavy Duty Mailing Tube

QUANTITY	DESTROYER	UNIT PRICE	TOTAL
	75mm GMC M3	\$10.00	\$
	3in GMC M10	\$10.00	\$
	76mm GMC M18	\$10.00	\$
	90mm GMC M36	\$10.00	\$
	Self-All Four	\$38.00	\$

INIT PRICE \$ 5.00  
TOTAL \$10.00

TD Tie Bar  
TD Init Roster  
Individual Search  
Name:

Where Applicable + 6% CA Sales Tax  
Handling, Packaging and Postage \$ 2.50

Quantity ITEM INIT PRICE TOTAL

HOW TO ORDER: Please print and fill out this order form completely. Mail with your personal check or money order to TDA 255 Castaneda Dr. Millbrae, CA. 94030

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