On Thursday October 9th, 2003 at 7PM

Lance Zedric - Historian & Author of Silent Warriors
Galen Kittelson - Alamo Scout / Cabanatuan Prison Raid
Conrad Vineyard - Alamo Scout, Graduate 8th Class
...will be speaking about the Alamo Scouts at the

DR. HAROLD C. DEUTSCH
WORLD WAR II
HISTORY ROUND TABLE

Contact: Don Patton, 952-941-5700

Location: Minnesota Historical Society
Fort Snelling History Center
on Mississippi River Bluff
St. Paul, Minnesota 55111

Directions: Follow, Historic Fort Snelling" signs to
East side of Highway 55, East of
fields and North of the Chapel

Map:
http://www.mnhs.org/places/sites/hfs/images/fs3.gif

Info on Historic Fort Snelling:
http://www.mnhs.org/places/sites/hfs/
http://www.wildernessinquiry.org/mnparks/parks/Fort125.html

Cost: $3.00-$5.00 Donations are requested.

THE DR. HAROLD C. DEUTSCH
WORLD WAR II
HISTORY ROUND TABLE
7600 Parklawn Avenue, Suite #200
Edina, Minnesota 55435

August 10, 2003

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Subject: 2003-2004 PROGRAM OF MEETINGS

As the World War II History Round Table begins our seventeenth year of meetings, the quality of the programs, the level of talented and notable speakers that we continue to attract has created an extensive following. The number of attendees has grown from a small group to a regular attendance last year that averaged over 350 people, with over 500 attending several of the meetings. The attendees are now coming from across Minnesota and Wisconsin and some from Iowa. A copy of the 2003-2004 full schedule has been attached. This will be the only mailing of the year so PLEASE SAVE the schedule for your future reference.

This is a special time to reflect and to thank those who helped to grow and develop this program. I am certain we all have looked forward to and enjoyed the great speakers we have had during the last year and have great expectations of what we will be able to create as a learning and sharing experience in the years ahead. This program takes all of us to be outstanding.

We plan meetings from September through May. We will continue to hold monthly meetings on the second Thursday of each month, except for February this year is the 1st Thursday. The meetings will be held at Fort Snelling and will begin at 7:00 PM. Please note the addition programs on this years schedule. We are planning programs in conjunction with the WWII Ranger Reunion and supplemental programs on September 6th & 13th. You are invited to actively participate in this organization. We hope you will bring a friend. A list of those receiving this mailing was established on a broad basis and includes those who have attended in previous years. We would appreciate your sharing your interest in this program with your friends and associates. We would hope that you will make recommendations and suggestions to us to enhance the effectiveness of the organization.

The presentations in this years program will include speakers on the POW's of Oflag 64 and their attempted rescue, the Alamo Scouts, Opertation Nordwind, Invasion of Okinawa, the sinking of the USS Dorchester and sacrifice of the chaplains, the sinking of the Bismarck, crossing of the Rhine at Remagen, and the Southern invasion of France.

This November is the seventh year of "The Dr. Harold C. Deutsch Lecture Series". Since we have always scheduled Harold for a presentation in November, it is appropriate that this tradition be carried forward. The objective of the Series will be to add an academic element to the Round Table and replicate the mental stimulation that Harold evoked in all of his lectures. This year Dr. Jon Jacobson will discuss the failures of the peace in World War I that led to World War II.

We have books by authors from previous programs. You will have special opportunity for the speakers to autograph their books at several of our programs. We will make efforts to have books available on the topic of each monthly presentation.

We are adding an education Battlefield tour as a supplement to the Round Table. We will conduct a tour in 2004 of the invasion of the Riviera of Southern France, the drive up the Rhone River Valley, the Colmar pocket, Operation Nordwind, Alsace-Lorraine Campaign, Maginot Line tour, with an ending in Paris. We will leave on the afternoon of May 14, 2004 for a 15 day tour of European battlefields. It will include preparation for the trip, hiking on the battlefields and seeing some of the most beautiful areas that are often off the normal European tourist agenda. We will give priority to those that have participated on previous tours and signed up at our

meetings, but beyond that, the priority will be to those that send in their $500 deposit. If interested please contact BOB RIGGS AT HYPOINTE TRAVEL 952-891-8430, 16240 HYLAND AVE, LAKEVILLE MN 55044.

The Minnesota Historical Society will be our host again for the monthly meetings. Your support of our Round Table has resulted in the Society assembling a major exhibition of Minnesota's involvment in the World War II Topics. We are all cooperating in publicizing and supporting each other's presentations.

All of us that work with the Round Table take the challenge seriously to uphold the high standards of achievement that Dr. Harold Deutsch instilled in his pursuits of history. With the numerous attempts to re-write history, we will strive for objectivity in the presentations, with authorities and participants to historical events providing facts and telling their stories to support accurate conclusions of the events.

Some of the parameters that have been established for the Round Table Program are:

- The Round Table presentations will focus on World War II, but will be flexible to permit the inclusion of events from the beginning of this century or after the war, as they were impacted by events in World War II.
- The Round Table Presentaion will cover all aspects of the political-military relationships that affected World War II.
- The base of the membership will be as broad as possible-from school-age children through retied persons. It has become one of our major priorities to connect the experience of Veterans to their families and their historical impact on subsequent generations. Interest to learn and participate is the major criteria for membership
- The Round Table presentations will consist of a 60-90 minute presentation, with a questions/answer period to provide interactions with the speakers.
- There will be NO CHARGE for attending the Round Table.
    - The cost of programs and mailings, etc., will come from DONATIONS. Because the auditorium use fee is $300, we suggest $3-$5 per attendee.
    - Speakers will predominately local and will donate their time.
    - The Round Table will continue to be held on the second Thursday of each month from September through May, at 7:00 at the Theatre at the Fort Snelling History Center. (The February program this year will be held on the 1st Thursday)

The format of the Round Table Meetings will be a historical presentation followed by an Oral History segment, which allows veterans to share with us their real life experiences. As there personal reflections, we will be capturing the events as seen through their eyes. If you have attended any of the sessions in the past, I know you will agree that hearing from the veterans themselves is a very powerful, and interesting aspect of the Round Table.

We hope to see you and your guests at our programs. This will be an exciting year with an impressive list of speakers and topics. Please join us.

Don

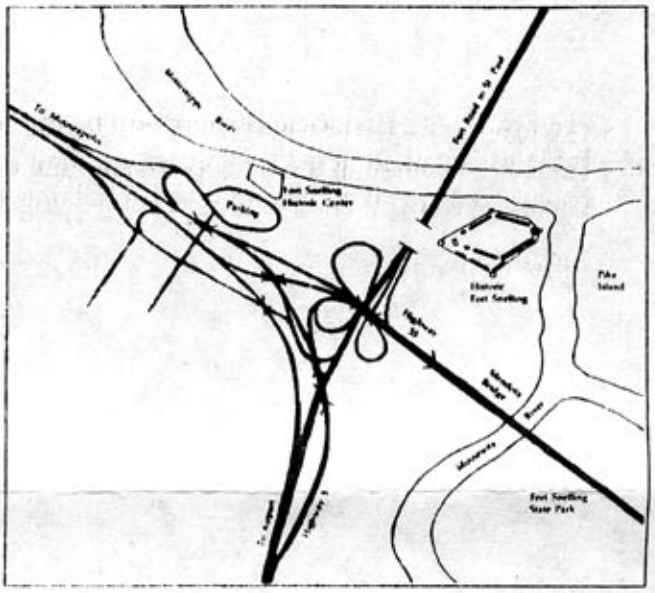
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WORLD WAR II RANGER REUNION
Holiday Inn Select 952-876-8659 I-494 & 34th Avenue, Bloomington MN
Wed, August 27, 7:00PM: 1st, 3rd, & 4th Ranger Battalions
Thursday, August 28, 2:30PM: 2nd & 5th Ranger Battalions
Saturday, August 30, 3:00PM: 6th Ranger Battalions

REUNION OF POW'S OF BATAAN & FILIPINOS
Saturday September 6, 10:30 A.M. at Ft. Snelling History Center. For information call 612-726-1171

2003

September 11
"OFLAG 64 – FROM POLAND TO HAMMELBURG" – Part of the Reunion of OFLAG-64
Royal Lee – 1st Lt, 109th Engr Bn, Captured in North Africa
Others -

September 13 (Saturday)
"TASK FORCE BAUM – TO LIBERATE HAMMELBERG"

1:00PM	Peter Domes – Historian, Lt Col German Army
Holiday Inn	Abe Baum – TF Commander
Metrodome	Other Veterans of Task Force Baum

October 9
"THE ALAMO SCOUTS"
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Galen Kittelson – Alamo Scout
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November 13 THE DR. HAROLD C. DEUTSCH LECTURE SERIES:
"FAILURES OF WORLD WAR I THAT LED TO WWII"
Dr. Jon Jacobson - Historian

December 11
"THE OTHER BATTLE OF THE BULGE – NORDWIND"
Dr. Kim Munholland – Professor of History University of Minnesota
Dr. Eugene Peterson – Veteran of 70th Inf Div & Historian
Herman Ratelle – Sgt, "B" Co, 25th Tank Bn, 14th Armored Div
Don Docken – Pfc, "C" Co, 275th Inf Regt, 70th Inf Div
Veterans of 14th AD, 44th ID, 63rd ID, 70th ID, 79th ID, 100th ID

2004

January 8
"INVASION OF OKINAWA – THE JAPANESE HOMELAND"
Don Dencker – CO "L", 382 Inf, 96th Inf Div, Author of Love Company
Tucker Giblin – 7th Marines, 1st Marine DIV, Author of The Class of '42
Stuart Lindman – Pfc, Litter Bearer, 321 Medical Bn, 96th Inf Div
Don Peterson – Pfc, Rifleman, "C" Co, 383 Inf Rgt, 96th Inf Div

FEBRUARY 5 (1st Thursday)
"IMMORTAL CHAPLAINS – SINKING OF USS DORCHESTER"
Chaplain (MAJ) Ken Beale – Chaplain at Fort Snelling Chapel, Historian
Survivors of USS Dorchester

MARCH 11

"SINKING OF THE BISMARCK"

John Lindley, Author & Historian
Bob Granberg – Historian and Author of Bismarck
Bruno Rzonca – Survivor of Bismarck,

APRIL 8

"REMAGEN BRIDGE – CROSSING THE RHINE"

Ken Heckler – Capt, Combat Historian, Author of the Bridge at Remagen
Bob Peterson – 1st Lt, Plt Leader, "B" Co, 27th AIB, CCB – 9th Armd Div, Historian of 9th AD
Walter Halloran – Capt, Signal Corps Photographer
Veterans of 9th AD, 78th ID, 99th ID

MAY 13

"THE OTHER D-DAY – INVASION OF SOUTHERN FRANCE"

Bob Phillips – Venteran of 110th Inf Regt, 28th Inf Div, Author & Historian
Bob Erickson – Veteran of 509th Airborne Regt
John Hankes – Sgt, First Special Service Force
Veterans of 3rd ID, 45th ID, 517th AB, FSSF

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Tour to European Battlefields May 14-29: Call BOB RIGGS 952-891-8430
Invasion South France, Rhone Valley, Strasborg, Maginot Line, Metz, Alsace-Lorraine, Paris